### Interreg Cooperation Day 2025 Campaign preparations

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Where are you planning to host a local event in 2025? Let us know the region and country, or just the country

Join us in Mentimeter!



### Agenda

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#### Interreg Cooperation Day

Europe-wide campaign facilitated by Interact, but led by Interreg programmes who:

- •Organise engaging **events** to connect cooperation with **local communities**
- •On **21 September** and surrounding weeks (from August to October)



#### Services offered by Interact

#### **Official Identity** and Branding

Logos, banners and theme

#### Website & social media visibility

Featured on Interreg.eu portal and social media channels

#### **Paid promotional** campaign

Of programmes publications

#### Promo video

Promotional video customized with your event information

#### Guidance

Official guide and factsheet



#### Day

From July to October, discover the impact of Interreg by attending one of the many events organised across Europe for Interreg Cooperation Day. Yes, you read that right. Interreg Cooperation Day officially takes place on September 21 but has expanded into a celebration that lasts several months.

#### **Share Article**

Found this article helpful or interesting? Spread the word by sharing it on your









### Now more than ever, bringing us closer to citizens























Citizens' commitment to the





# People engagement since the beginning



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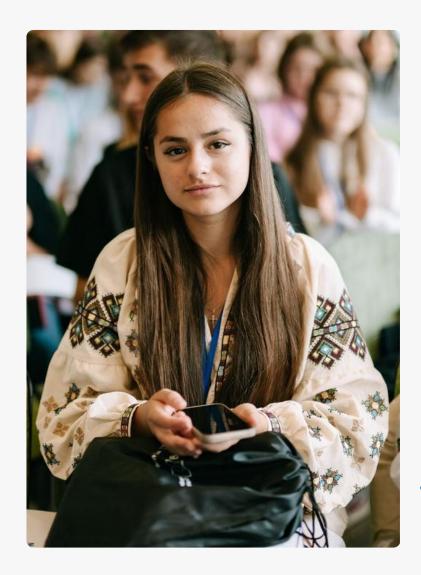
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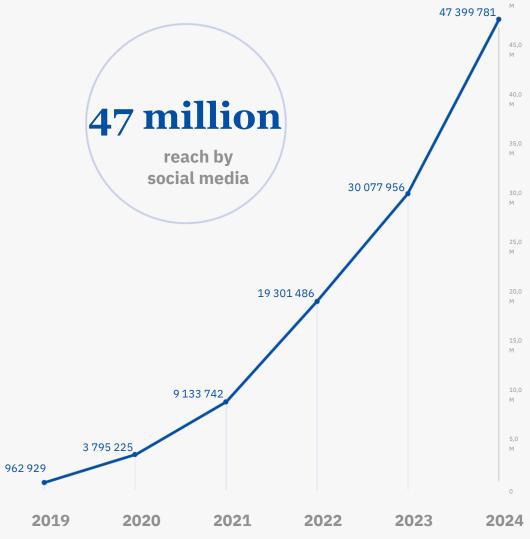
**Participants** 

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#### The power of collective action

#### Million people reached





# The campaign timeline



#### **NOW**

- Kick-off webinar
- Guide + factsheet 2025 everything you need to know, all in one place.
- Promotional video customisable for your event
- New visual materials fresh designs to boost your outreach.

**January** 

**February** 

March

**April** 

#### May

June

July

August

September

October

November



- Webinar: Tips for optimal media communication
- Site at Interreg.eu: Your events go live on our official website!
- Establish presence on social media
- Contact projects to join
- Procure services for September
- Order costum promo video

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- Paid promotional campaign on social media
- Order costum promo video
- Request previous services Request all materials launched in previous months (visuals, website article, etc.).
- We start with the local events celebration!

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#### **CELEBRATIONS ACROSS EUROPE FOR**

### nterreg COOPERATION ZAY

\*You can keep counting on us for all the services you need to make the most of your event - before, during, and after!

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We send you the evaluation questionnaire

External team works on the evaluation report!

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## Internal communication during the campaign



### Microsoft Teams Our central Hub



#### **Instant Messaging**

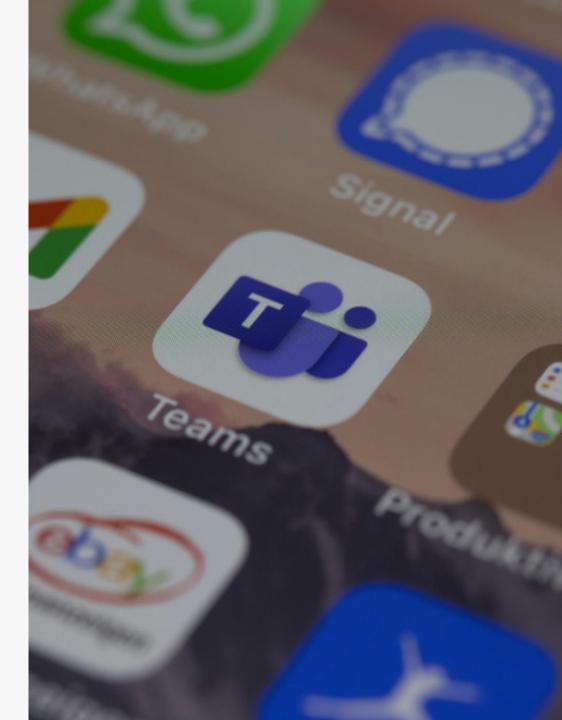
Quick and easy team conversations. Stay updated in real time and keep everyone on the same page.



#### **File Sharing**

Seamless access to documents, materials and resources.

We'll share updates, materials, and all the essential information to keep your event planning smooth and organised!



### **SharePoint**Efficient materials management



#### **Document Library**

A central repository for all campaign files. Access everything you need from one place.



#### **Searchability**

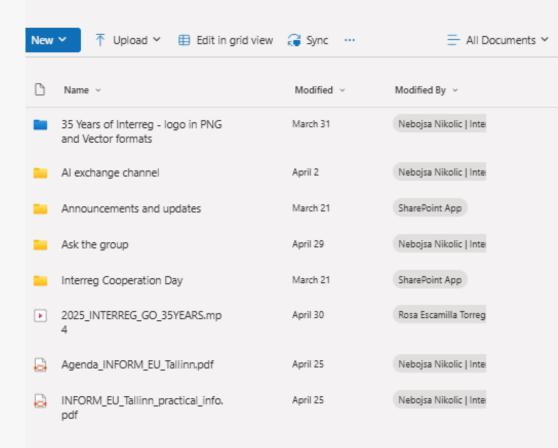
Quickly find campaign documents and keep your workflow agile.



#### Collaboration

Download files directly and collaborate seamlessly with your team.







### Interreg.eu portal to share with others



#### **Comprehensive Information**

Everything you need to know about the campaign, all in one place.



#### **Visual Materials**

Access graphics, videos, and other media to boost your communications.



#### **Interactive Map**

Explore local events across Europe with just a click.



#### **Events Details**

Find key information about each event and stay updated.





### Any questions at this stage about the new system?

### Highlights of the campaign 2025

### Interreg Day & 35 years of Interreg

Let's celebrate the anniversary with our regions!

- Show your citizens how, thanks to Interreg funds, your regions have evolved and transformed over the past 35 years
- Engage local projects to organise events!



### Celebrating the journey

- Some Interreg programmes started 35 years ago, others later
- All contribute to this collective success
- Celebrate the evolution of your own programme alongside the official anniversary



#### Creative ways to celebrate

Interreg Open Day: Celebrating 35 Years of Cooperation

35th Anniversary Community Fair: Celebrating Interreg's Legacy

Interactive Project Map + 35th Anniversary Timeline









### The Bake Off Challenge Cook Up some cooperation!

- Bake an anniversary cake and share on social media (#InterregBakeOff #InterregDay2025)
- •Host a community bake-off
- •Serve cake at your Interreg local event and share the photos!

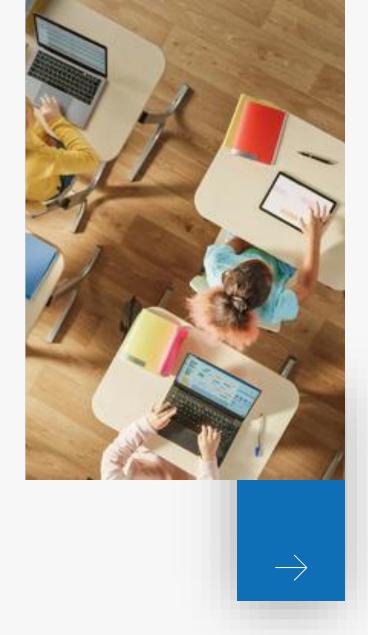
### **EU Cooperation Activities Pack**

Are you planning to organise an event for schools? For young people? Then this is for you!

Through interactive experiences, we can move beyond technical documents.

Educational tools make cooperation tangible and fun.





### Check the guide and discover inspiring educational activities in

- Sustainability and the environment
- Education and Vocational Learning
- Innovation and Technology





### Immersive learning experiences



#### Cooperation Escape Room

A portable puzzle experience based on real Interreg projects. Each solution reveals crossborder collaboration stories.



#### **My Cooperative City**

Students design ideal cities incorporating Interreg project elements. Focuses on mobility, sustainability, and inclusion.



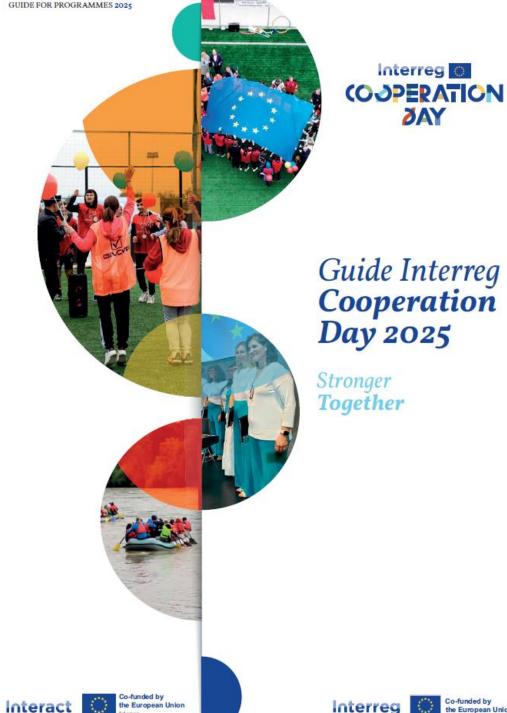
#### **CoopTalks for Youth**

TEDx-style events where students pitch cross-border cooperation ideas. Based on classroom learning and field activities.

# Overview of the services we offer



### Guide **Interreg Day** 2025

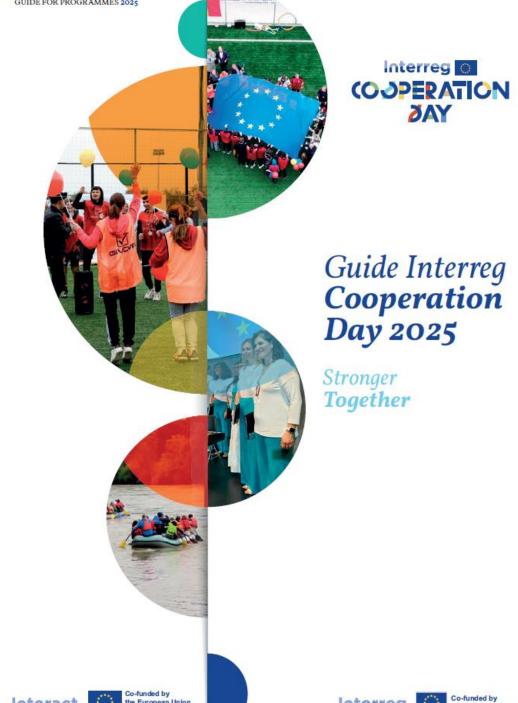


#### Main sections

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#### Easy shareable factsheet

- Summarises the main campaign messages
- Helps explain the campaign quickly and clearly
- Designed for easy sharing across networks, projects and stakeholders



#### Official identity 2021-2027









#### **Colour strategy**



Colour Reflex Blue **Pantone** Reflex Blue CMYK 100/80/0/0 HEX 003399 RGB 0 / 51 / 153

Colour Light Blue **Pantone** 2716 CMYK 41/30/0/0 HEX 9FAEE5 **RGB** 159 / 174 / 229

A smarter Europe innovative and smart economic transformation CMYK 72 / 0 / 43 / 0 **HEX** #18BAA8 RGB 24 / 186 / 168

Social Rights

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A more social Europe A Europe closer to implementing the citizens – sustainable and European Pillar of integrated development of urban, rural and coastal areas through CMYK 10 / 75 / 60 / 1

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A more connected Europe – mobility and regional ICT connectivity

**CMYK** 0 / 56 / 77 / 0

**RGB** 246 / 138 / 66

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CMYK 48 / 0 / 89 / 0 HEX #9ACA3C **RGB** 154 / 202 / 60

A greener, low-carbon Europe

local initiatives CMYK 73/9/6/0 HEX #00ADDC **RGB** 0 / 173 / 220

A safer and more secure Europe

**CMYK** 10 / 75 / 60 / 1 HEX #DA5C57 RGB 218 / 92 / 87

### Logo Application

We kept the colourful look that appealed to many people in the past but improved the usability for variety of branding needs, with great readability in small print size and complementing colours to the Interreg visual identity.

















# Materials for website and social media



### Thematic banners













#### Social Media ICONS





### Promotional Video 2025

- Customisable
- Already in Youtube!
- Ask it to me <u>rosa.escamilla@interact.eu</u> and send:
  - Name of the event
  - Date
  - Venue
  - Logos
  - Subtitles in your language





### Joint Social Media Campaign 2025

- Promotion of your local event through your own channels
- Targeting the audience of your event
- In 2024: 17 million (between us and your efforts)
- Instruction: in the next webinar



## Visibility at interreg.eu social media channels

















### Sharing your event photos for



#### Official materials

We'll include your best shots in guides and evaluation reports.



#### **Campaign visibility**

Your images help tell the story of cooperation across borders.



#### **Social Media Promotion**

Your photos will be featured on Interreg.eu's social platforms.





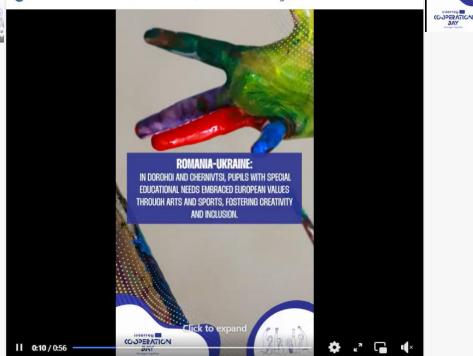




This Interreg Cooperation Day, Europe came together to celebrate inclusion, education and unity

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It has been one month since Interreg Cooperation Day. To commemorate the event, we are sharing a video that highlights key moments from the unique activities across the... See more





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### Which channels will we primarily use?









### Amplify your online presence



#### #InterregDay2025

Use our main campaign hashtag for maximum visibility. It connects your event to the broader celebration.



#### #Interreg and #CohesionPolicy

These hashtags link your content to the wider European cooperation community. They expand your reach significantly.



#### #35YearsofInterreg

Celebrate our milestone anniversary! Always include the official anniversary logo in related materials.

# Website visibility at interreg.eu

- We publish your articles
- Map your events

#### **Interreg Cooperation Day**

Interreg Cooperation Day is an annual campaign celebrating the power of European cooperation across borders.

Each year, thousands of people take part in cultural events, leisure activities, and sports across the continent, organised by Interreg programmes. From cycling tours to concerts and community gatherings, the campaign highlights the impact of EU-funded cooperation in making regions stronger.

Since its launch in 2012, the initiative has grown, with more than **1,490 events** organised and a **reach of 47 million**. The goal is to showcase real results of collaboration through engaging activities that bring communities together. **Interreg Cooperation Day is celebrated on 21 September and the surrounding weeks**, with plenty opportunities for programmes to join!



Are you ready for the 2025 edition?

Organise your local event and celebrate Interreg Cooperation Day!

The 2025 guide is coming soon, along with all the support tools (joint social media campaign, video, visual materials...) to make your event a success!



# Involving projects for successful Interreg events



• Best project engagement: Interreg Spain-Portugal (POCTEP), with 13 local events involving projects.

Union means strength. Creating synergies with and between your projects can be put into practice through Interreg Cooperation Day. Call your projects, propose joint events, invite the population to get to know and enjoy the results!

We suggest organizing a festival with activities for participants - games, cooking, handicraft workshops. You can combine a variety of small activities that would otherwise not attract enough attention by themselves and promote a variety of different projects at the same time. For example, you can combine a workshop on the traditional dances of the region and an exhibition, cooking shows/workshops on how to prepare local delicacies and awareness-raising workshops for children and adults (climate change, social inclusion, health, etc.).









#### Best project engagement (synergies with local project/s).

Name event: Open doors at

Centria

**Programme:** 3 programmes Interreg Northern Periphery and Arctic, Interreg Baltic Sea Region and Interreg Aurora and 18 projects









### How are you feeling about Interreg Day 2025 after this overview?

Join us in Mentimeter!



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# Best practices for organising local events

Nebojsa Nikolic/Interact /12.05.2025



### **Event ideas**

Spin the wheel of ideas:

https://wheelofnames.com/466-vhf



















# Inspiration exists, but it has to find you working.

**Pablo Picasso** 



### Working for inspiration

Some of the best and most unique event ideas will come from your projects, especially the ones realated to tourism, nature protection, cultural heritage, science and technology.

#### Step 1

Think of a location that has benefited from a project: park, community centre, sports venue, etc.

#### Step 2

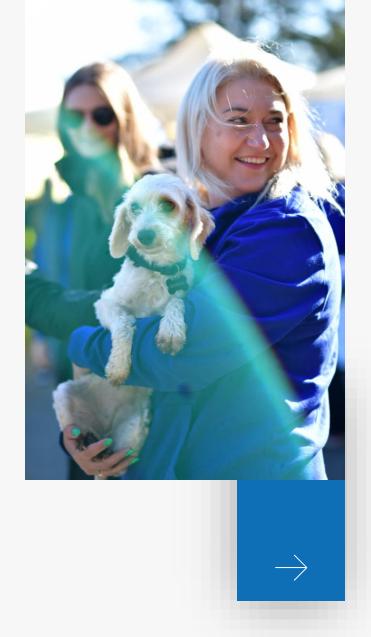
Get in touch
with local projects and
authorities: ask them
about local attractions,
fun places, event ideas.

#### Step 3

Ask for free stuff: venue, audio/video equipment, stage, chairs, tour guides, photographer, etc.

#### Step 4

Invest in the fun, unique, "Instagramable" aspects.



### Tips from real life

Sometimes a small trick can help you save ton of time and money while organising an amazing event.

### Use AI tools

- Grounding with context
- Explain your plan and ask for advice
- Define target audience
- Plan how to reach the audience
- Craft social media content



### Hire professional photograph

- A great event with bad photos is a bad
- A decent event with great photos is amazing
- Small investment, hire local
- Long term benefits and visibility
- Send to Rosa and Nebo



### Family-friendly events

- Popular and easy to promote
- Activities for kids
- Arts and crafts
- Light content with important message
- Family values are universal



### **Interactive** activities

- Engage with audience
- Applicable to almost all event types
- People should experience what the projects are about in practice
- Let them climb the truck, paint, practice
- Interactive leads to "Instagramable"



### Timing and location

- Use weekends
- Easy to reach location
- Organise transport
- Reserve early
- Have plan in case of rain



### Questions & Answers



### Join us in the next webinar

12 June 2025 - From Online to Offline: Communication strategies to make your Interreg Day local event stand out



### **Cooperation works**

All materials will be available on:

**Interact website**