

# Regional network meeting of programmes in Central and South- East Europe

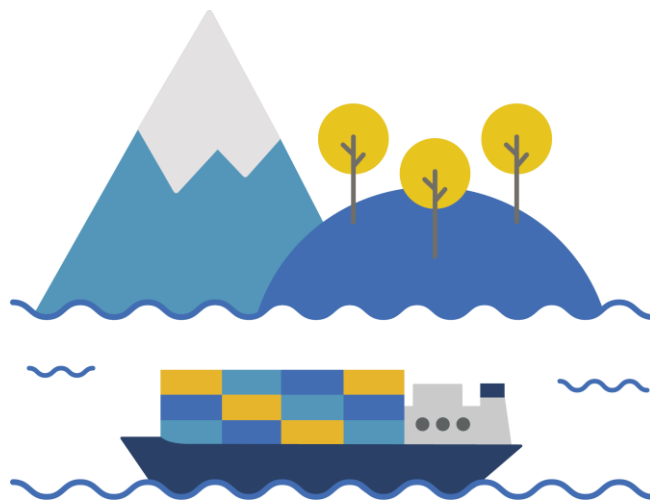
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Draft agenda



**1-2 October 2025**

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### Outline

Welcome to the 18<sup>th</sup> Regional Network Meeting of Interreg Programmes in Central and South-East Europe!

We're excited to invite you to the 18th edition of the Regional Network Meeting - our own gathering of Interreg programme professionals from Central and South East Europe, where we are always joined by the European Commission representatives. Over two energising days in the beautiful city of Lecce, we'll come together to share insights, tackle challenges, and shape the future of cooperation across Central and South-East Europe.

This year's meeting offers a unique opportunity to connect, learn from the present, and navigate the future. At the heart of our agenda is the upcoming post-2027 framework - we'll unpack the draft regulation, explore what it means for our work, and gather your early feedback. It's your chance to ask questions, reflect on what's coming, and make your voice heard in shaping the next chapter of Interreg.

But that's not all! As always, we'll also address current challenges and create new ideas. Through open dialogue and peer exchange, we'll explore practical solutions and strengthen our collective capacity to deliver meaningful impact.

### Why should you join?

This isn't just another meeting - it's a space for:

- Genuine exchange: Share your experience and hear from others tackling similar issues.
- Joint learning: Learn from best practices, mistakes, and creative approaches.
- Forward thinking: Contribute to discussions that influence Interreg's future.
- Regional connection: Strengthen networks with peers across Central and South-East Europe.

### Who's invited?

The meeting is designed for Interreg professionals working in and with CBC programmes from Central and South-East Europe, including Interreg IPA. Representatives of transnational and Interreg NEXT programmes from the region are warmly invited to join as observers.

As always, your input during registration will help us fine-tune the agenda to match your real priorities - because this meeting is shaped by you.



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### Day one

**Wednesday, 1 October 2025**

**12.30 – 13.00**

Registration and Welcome Coffee / Tea

**13.00 – 13.15**

**Introduction and welcome**

**13.15 – 14.00**

**Good afternoon Interreg!**

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*By Interact and European Commission*

**14.00 – 17.00**  
**Including coffee break**

**Interreg beyond 2027: Navigate the changes and shape the future**

Objectives of the session: Let's dive into the post 2027 draft reality. What is changing? What should we be ready for? Share your views, hear what others think, and join the conversation to shape the next chapter of Interreg programmes.

**17.00 – 19.00**

**Social activity (tbd)**

### Day two

**Thursday, 2 October 2025**

**09.30 – 09.45**

Reconnection for another stimulating day

**09.45 – 11.00**

**From visions to reality: Synergies and coordination in our region**

Objectives of the session: Let's move from ambition to action. Explore the concrete ways to align and coordinate between programmes and make Central and South East Europe more impactful than ever.

**11.00 – 11.30**

Coffee break

**11.30 – 12.30**

**It's the final countdown: Making results count and discovering the secret to sustainable project closure**

Objectives of the session: Let's learn and share how to make project results shine and serve others including programmes' future. From best ways to the last calls, increased visibility and impacts.

**12.30 – 13.30**

Lunch break



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**13.30 – 14.30**

### **Interact's tomorrow just for you**

Objectives of the session: Let's look ahead together! Help us with your ideas on how Interact can evolve and support Interreg in a changing world — with smarter tools, better services, and stronger networks.

**14.30 – 15.30**

### **Back to the present: Your Topics, Your Table - World Café on Today's Challenges**

Bring your questions, insights, and coffee-fuelled energy to the table!

**15.30 – 15.50**

Coffee break

**15.50 – 16.30**

### **World Café Continued: More Voices, More Solutions**

Keep the conversations going. Deep dive into issues that matter most with fresh perspectives and peer support.

**16.30 – 17.00**

### **Wrap up and agreements on the next meeting**