#### **Jems User Group meeting (7)**

# Jems and Data

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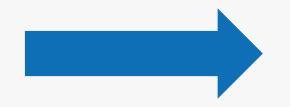
#### "Data is the new gold"

Title of a speech presenting the "Open data package" on 12 December 2011 by Neelie Kroes, at that time Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for the Digital Agenda.



### Data governance in 21-27 period

...10 years later



Open data is **EU law** incorporated in **CPR**.

# Data governance requirements

E-Cohesion system

**CPR Art. 69(8) (and Annex XIV):** "Member States shall ensure that all exchanges of information between beneficiaries and the programme authorities are carried out by means of electronic data exchange systems."

Monitoring system

CPR Art. 72(1) (and Annex XVII): "The managing authority shall [...]

(e) record and store electronically the data on each operation necessary for monitoring, evaluation, financial management, verifications and audits in accordance with Annex XVII, and ensure the security, integrity and confidentiality of data and the authentication of users."

Data transmission

**CPR Art. 42 (and Annex VII):** "The Member State or the managing authority shall electronically transmit to the Commission cumulative data for each programme [...]"

List of operations

**CPR Art. 49(3):** "The managing authority shall make the list of operations selected for support by the Funds publicly available on the website [...]. The list shall contain the following data: [...]" (4) in open, machine-readable form



# Data governance in Jems



#### E-Cohesion system

Jems shall

ensure sound communication with beneficiaries

promote benefits of electronic data exchange



#### Monitoring system

Jems shall

allow sound monitoring, evaluation, verification and audit

support programmes in management decisions



#### Transmission of data

Jems shall

allow to extract data in the right format

ensure quality of data to be submitted



#### List of operations

Jems shall

allow to extract data in the right format

ensure quality of data to be published



#### Data collection at EU level

#### SFC portal

**CPR Art. 69(9) and Annex XV:** " Member States shall ensure that all official exchanges of information with the Commission are carried out by means of an electronic data exchange system" - SFC2021

-> Automatic data transfer via API is possible, but not used by many

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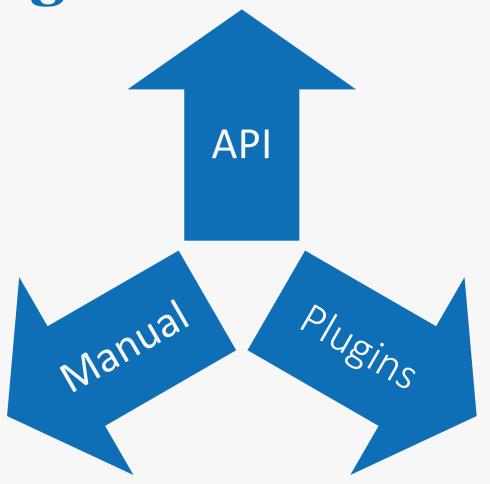
IT database developed by the European Commission and used for risk scoring of projects funded by the ESIF. Its primary objective is to support managing authorities in their administrative controls and management checks

#### Specific registries

Irregularity Management System (IMS), State aid registries (SARI, TAM, national and EU registries), Early Detection and Exclusion System (EDES), ...

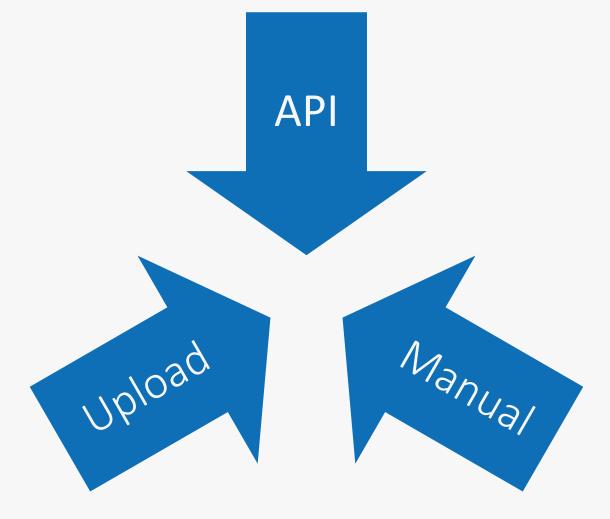


How to get data out of Jems?





# How to transmit data to other tools?





# Let's share experience

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#Jems



# Purpose of data at EU level

Internal Data Analysis

- Monitoring and evaluation
- Decision making

EC, EU institutions,

Managing

Authorities

Open Data Platforms

- Ensure transparency
- Support communication

General public, researchers, journalists,...



# Data for communication and transparency

Programme website

List of operations:

- format, data structure, and granularity of the information vary per programme
- not reported to the EC

Kohesio

- standardises and aggregates the data from the lists of operations
- makes them publicly available
- https://kohesio.ec.europa.eu/en/

Cohesion Open Data Platform

- provides transparent data to EU taxpayers on the use of EU budget funds
- free public data published by the EC
- https://cohesiondata.ec.europa.eu/

# Data collection and sharing between Interreg programmes







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# Data for Communication

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#### **Using data for Communication**

#### Keep.eu

- Interreg projects and achievements from 20+ years
- Only curated dataset of Interreg

#### Interreg.eu

- Telling stories, could be complemented by data
- Informing about open calls

# State of Interreg

- Should use data from above platforms
- Benchmarking, helps set an accurate narrative



# State of Interreg Report Two editions so far, 2025 is coming!

**Narrative defining** 

#### 2023 Edition | September

- 4.5 billion made available in first calls
- 148 calls (inc. submission rounds) to date
- 43 planned calls taking place in 2024

#### 2024 Edition | March

- 5.5 billion already assigned to projects – halfway there!
- Almost 4,000 projects selected
- 315 million in ongoing calls
- **70 planned calls** in 2025



#### Interreg.eu

### Collaboration for circular textiles: Three projects, one shared challenge

How can municipalities, researchers, and industry collaborate to make the textile sector more sustainable?

Liv Randi Lindseth Sweden-Norway



### Collaboration for circular textiles: Three projects, one shared challenge

**40 more Interreg projects** working on textiles

**65m Euros invested** by 20 Interreg programmes

Driving the circular economy, while reducing pollution

But...

Data "ends" in January 2024

Project descriptions, keywords



# Issues in open data platforms

#### Availability

- Not all programmes submit data
- Ease of finding data varies

#### Ownership

- Programme have own structure
- Incentive based cooperation

#### Quality

- Consistency of (required) fields
- Published data not machinereadable

# Unique factors

- Third country funding
- Priorities versus PO and SO breakdowns



# Let's discuss...



- What do you use your Jems data for?
   Specific analysis, decision making, day-to-day programme management, communication,...?
- What other sources of data do you have outside of Jems and how are they integrated with Jems data?
- How can administrative burden for transmission of data to the EC be reduced?

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# Post27 regulation and monitoring systems

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### 3 Layers of legislation remain

MFF (draft)

Accompanied by political communication

NRP (draft) & ERDF -CF (draft)

Comparable to:

21-27 CPR

21-27 ERDF-Cohesion Fund Regulation

Interreg Plan (not published yet)

Comparable to:

General part → Interreg regulation incl. identification of geographic areas and allocation breakdown for each chapter [Article 9(1) ERDF]

Chapters → Programmes

Interreg Plan is to provide continuity with the existing programmes



# Design & Roles remain

- Interreg in 4 strands [Article 7(1) ERDF]
- partnership requirements [ Article 6 NRP]
- similar Programme Authorities: MA, JS, AA [Article 10(1) and (4) ERDF], GoA [Article 10(5) ERDF], MC [Article 10(6) ERDF]
- Annual system audit



#### Finance structures remain

- Total Interreg budget: EUR 10.264 billion [Article 10(2)(c) NRP]
- TA Flat rate: 8% Interreg 10% OMR
- EU co-financing: 80% Interreg 85% OMR



### **New legislation**

Performance framework and budget tracking Regulation

Performance based approach reporting to EC System audit on milestones and targets, not expenditure Management verification on milestones and targets, not expenditure

Global Europe

Article 7(2) ERDF, allows for OMR, IPA, NEXT programmes to make use of Global Europe fund



### **New aspects**

#### Reform dimension

- The combination of reforms and investment will be a key element for the national plans
- Reform dimension also important for Interreg, think of contributing to reforms through Interreg projects.

### Performance based approach

- Relationship with the Commission to be based on performance
- Each Interreg chapter to contain a list and description of measures to be supported, along with milestones and targets [Article 8(3)(c) ERDF]
- Total estimated costs of the measures to also be set out [Article 8(3)(d) ERDF]

### General and Interreg specific objectives

- 5 General objectives, 3 ISO
- There will no longer be a thematic concentration → Programmes can choose what they want to focus on



# New programme financing

#### Pre-financing

Change of approach – 4% per year for the first three years [Article 17(2) NRP]. All pre-financing to be cleared at closure [Article 17(3) NRP] (currently 14% over 6 years)

#### Automatic decommitment

Reduction in timing to n+1 to accelerate the spending [Article 15(1) NRP]

However, both needs to be viewed along with performance-based payments – procedural targets will provide additional payments early on if set as milestones

# Monitoring systems, IT Tools & Data fields

- A new SFC2028 will be there, Automatic data transfer responsibility of MS.
- **Single Gateway project** from EU is rather a single portal tool for all funds similar to KOHESIO & Cohesion open data platform (not a monitoring system).
- Monitoring systems are still required NRP Article 51 (h), Article 58 (k)
- NRP Article 63 Data collection and recording (Less data fields mentioned compared to CPR Annex XVII)

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# Let's discuss...



What is your impression with regards to the Regulatory package and Monitoring Systems?

# **Cooperation works**

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