

Online event

New in Interreg: What can Interact do for you?

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Agenda

09.30 – 09.40

Welcome and introduction

09.40 – 10.10

Interact: Our Tools, Services and Learning Opportunities

10.10 – 10.15

Comfort Break

10.15 – 10.45

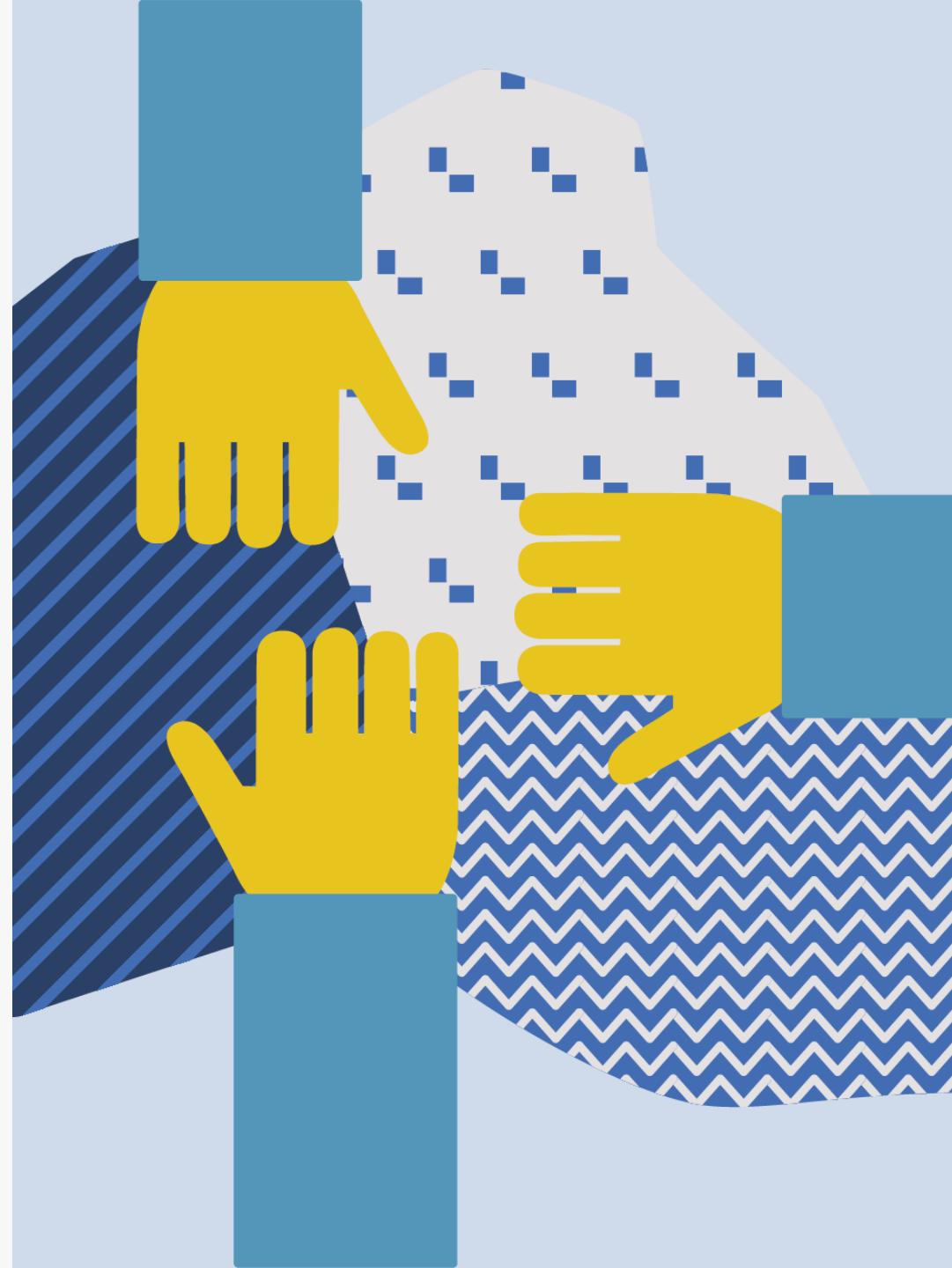
Interactive networking

10.45 – 11.00

Wrap up and closure

Interact's Programme Mission

Cooperation can be complex;
Our job is to make it easier



Learning opportunities

Academy

- **What it is**

Interact Academy is the home of Interact's training services provides certified trainings, certified courses and short courses.

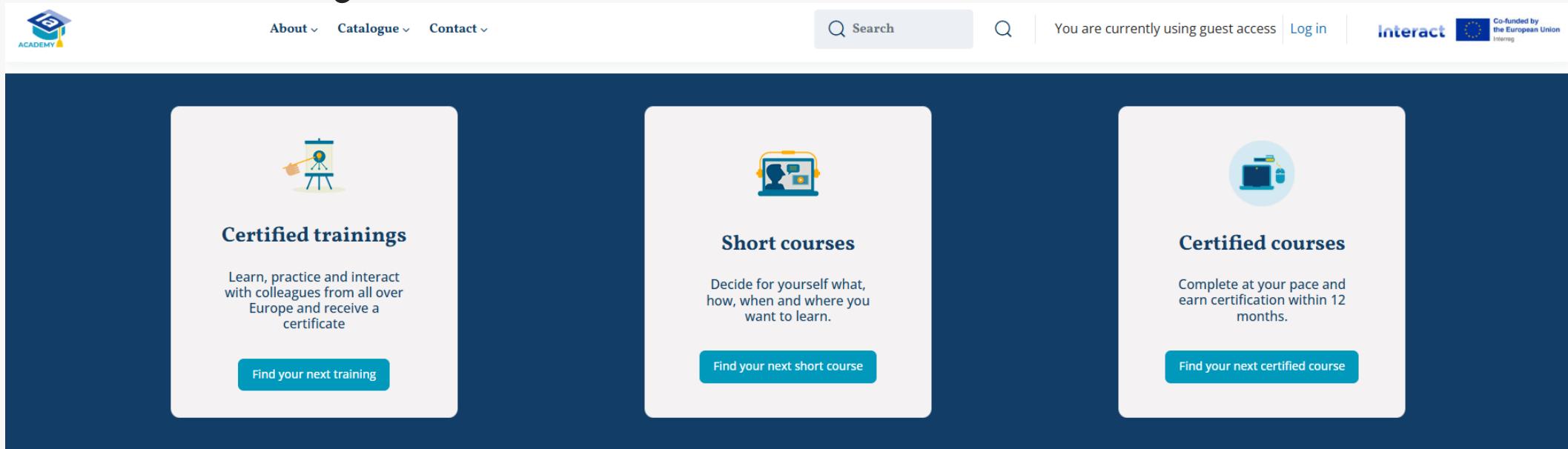
- **Why it matters for newcomers**

It is designed mainly for beginners, helps increase the knowledge and improve the skills while networking and exchanging with peers.

More information: [here](#)



Learning opportunities Academy



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Learning opportunities Academy. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'About', 'Catalogue', and 'Contact'. A search bar is located above the main content area. The main content area features three large cards: 'Certified trainings' (with a pencil icon), 'Short courses' (with a laptop icon), and 'Certified courses' (with a graduation cap icon). Each card has a brief description and a 'Find your next...' button. The background is dark blue.

Certified trainings
Learn, practice and interact with colleagues from all over Europe and receive a certificate

Short courses
Decide for yourself what, how, when and where you want to learn.

Certified courses
Complete at your pace and earn certification within 12 months.

Take your skills to the next level

Learn more

Programme management

Learn how to design, run and close Interreg programmes.

Soft skills

Carry out your work in Interreg with greater confidence.

Project management





Online only

In-person element

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun		Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Interreg Programme Management: Strategic Perspectives	9.1.										
Video Making in Interreg		2.2.									
Simplified Cost Options: Practitioners			4.2.								
Interreg Evaluation: Foundations				25.2.							
Interreg Management Verifications					2.3.						
Interreg Project Management					6.3.						
Generative AI for Interreg Communication						16.4.					
Storytelling in Interreg							20.4.				
Fundamentals of Programme Communication								15.6.			
Plain Language for Interreg - an Introduction									19.10.		
Interreg Evaluation: Practitioners									5.11.		
Programme set-up and start-up										6.11.	
Interreg Project Assessment, Monitoring and Verification											16.11.

Summer break



Please note | All trainings are maximum 20 hours over several weeks
 This is the provisional plan for the calendar year 2026, check the latest news on Academy.Interact.eu

Why have a harmonised approach?

Shared
understanding

EU level regulations introduce rules and concepts. Countries create and define national understandings, what about Interreg?

Best practice

Part of harmonising approaches is to adjust what you do, to keep the best parts, as we collectively build something better.

Legal
certainty

Programmes adopting the same approach create legal certainty, harmonised positions are Interreg standards.

What does a harmonised approach achieve?

Shared understanding

Define shared understanding and approach to SCOs, enabled Interreg to adopt it more intensely than mainstream

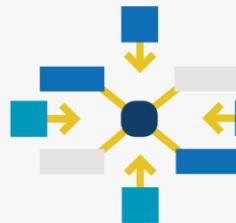
Best practice

HIT reduced one programmes 'application to contracting' timeline by a third – from 18 to 12 months

Legal certainty

Alternative approaches to national rules, can be 'legitimised' by shared 'standard' Interreg practices.

Tools for Harmonisation and Simplification



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Networks & exchange | Our offer

14 MS Teams environments grouped by 'audience' specialism.

Aim is a peer-to-peer networking space. Supports file sharing, exchange and discussions.

Full list on our [website](#).

Note, some environments are closed.

Cooperation can be complex;
our job is to make it easier.

About Interact
& our service ▾

Programme
management ▾

Project management
and skills ▾

Communication
& visibility ▾

Finance
& control ▾

Interact

Networks and communities

Interact offers a number of exchange opportunities for those working in cooperation. In addition to events, Interact offers online spaces where programmes can exchange.

Following the adoption of new IT tools, we are in the process of updating Interact's website to reflect the key changes.

Join our new Communities

New communities exist in the Microsoft environment, with both MS Teams and SharePoint sites to support exchange with Interact, and with other programmes.

Anyone involved in Interreg can register for an account with Interact via our [portal](#), and browse all communities (once you have an account).

If you have troubles setting up an account, you can contact us on [tech.support\[at\]interact.eu](mailto:tech.support[at]interact.eu)

Interact has deployed the structure of the new MS Teams environment, and is migrating data from the old to the new during summer 2025.

Interact has established 10 new MS Team environment available for those working in Interreg. In addition to the Teams, there are sub-teams (in private Channels) for smaller groups to meet.

Team name (-Channel name)	Who should join, who can you find in these Teams?
Auditors network	Auditors
Communication and visibility	Those working with communication and visibility
- Transnational Communication	Sub-space for Strand B
- IPA Communication	Sub-space for IPA

Communication and Visibility

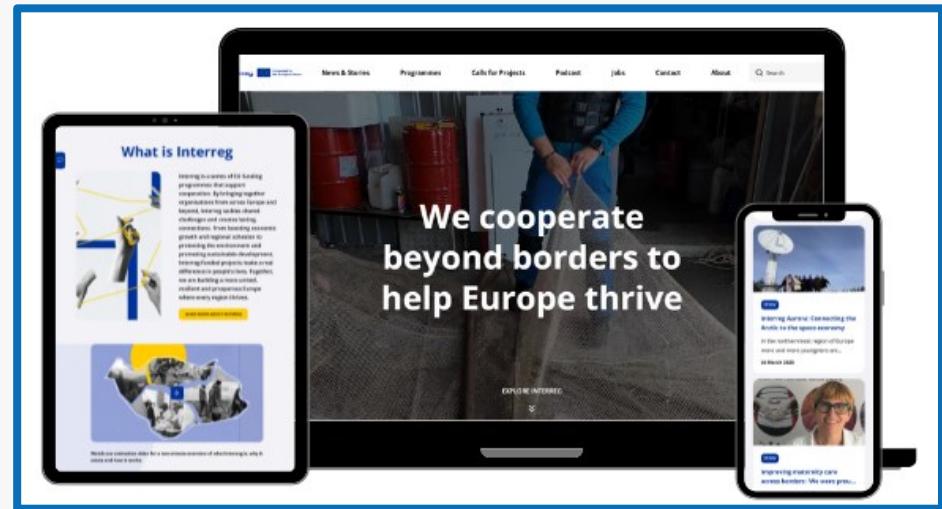
Communication focus

- Harmonised branding and brand book
- Capacity building on communication



Visibility focus | [Interreg.eu](https://interreg.eu)

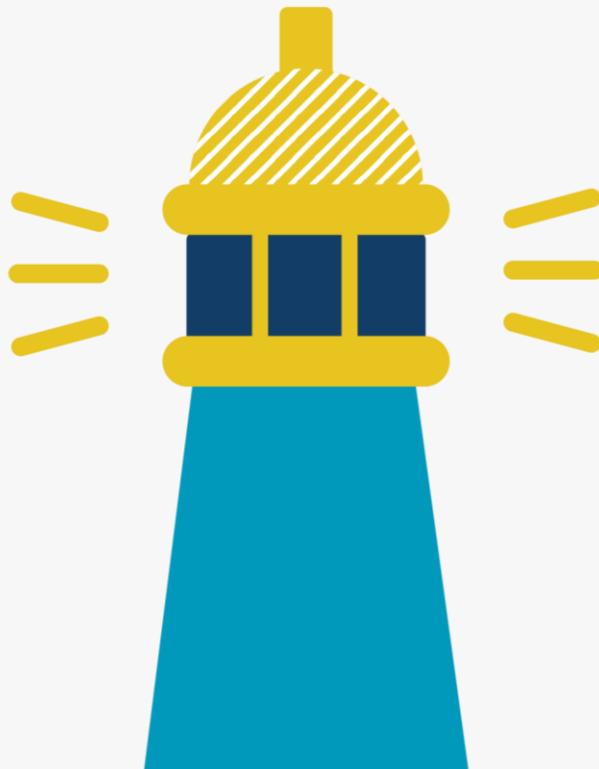
- Your content goes here!!
- Joint campaigns
- Interreg Cooperation Day
- Interreg Slam



Soft Skills in Interreg

What do we mean by 'soft skill?s'?

Why are they important in Interreg?



How can we help you develop your soft skills?

Who can you contact for more information?



Photo by Olia Danilevich, [Pexels](#)



Soft skills in practice: join our pilot event

Purpose

To train soft skills, such as active listening, cultural awareness, plain language, clear communication, public speaking and facilitation, to become better at our daily work.

Target group

Interreg programme and project managers, including those with content and finance roles.

Dates

20-21 May 2026

Location

Copenhagen, DK or Malmö, SE (tbc)

More information: [here](#)

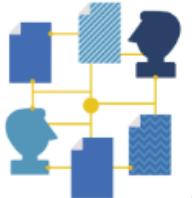


**Soft skills are not soft –
they hold cooperation together**

Break

Ready to learn?

Registration is open



*Interreg
Project
Management*

Interreg Project Management

In-person certified training: **Turin, Italy**
24,25/Mar/2026

06 Mar 2026 - 27 Mar 2026

[View Training](#)

Registration is open



*Interreg
Evaluation
Foundations*

Interreg Evaluation Foundations

Online certified training

25 Feb 2026 - 25 Mar 2026

[View Training](#)

Registration is open



*Interreg
Management
Verifications*

Interreg Management Verifications

Online certified training

02 Mar 2026 - 30 Mar 2026

[View Training](#)

Registration is open



*Generative AI
for Interreg
Communication*

Generative AI for Interreg Communication

Online certified training

16 Apr 2026 - 28 Apr 2026

[View Training](#)

How to start using our services



Portal.Interact.eu

- Profile - Sign up for **Newsflash** (monthly summary of everything)
- All Communities – Join our **MS Teams** spaces

Interact.eu > About Interact

- Our Services | More about what we offer, including networks, Academy
- Our Strategic Tools | More on our harmonised tools

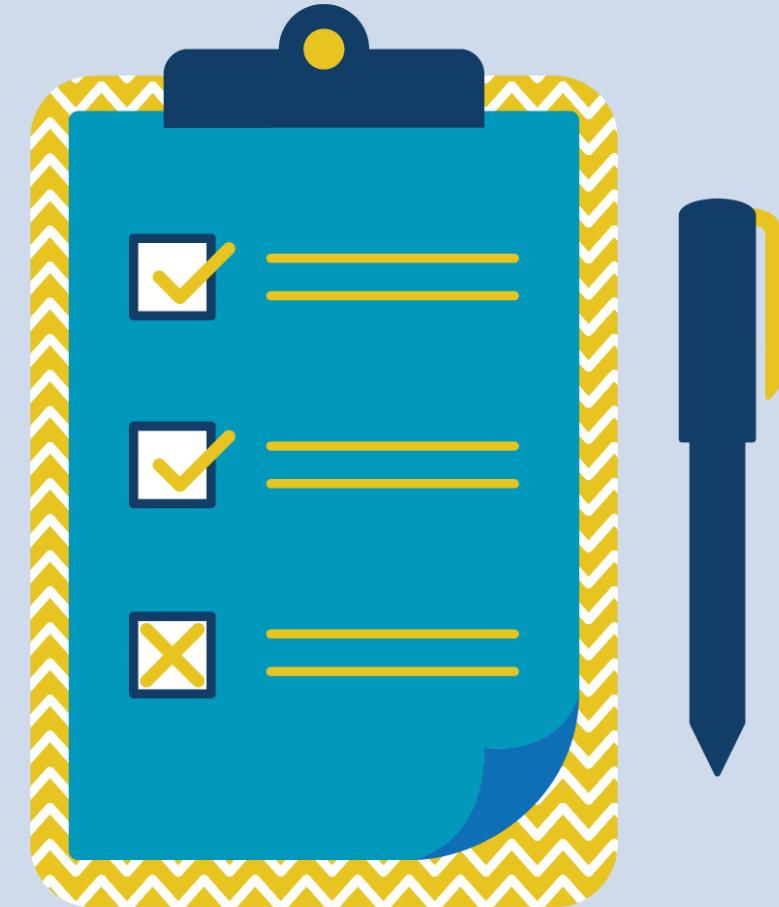


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Your opinion matters to us.

Please take a few minutes to provide us with feedback to help us improve our services.



Cooperation works

**All materials will be available on:
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**Want to discuss it? Join our MS Teams environment!
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