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Interreg beyond 2027: What comes next?



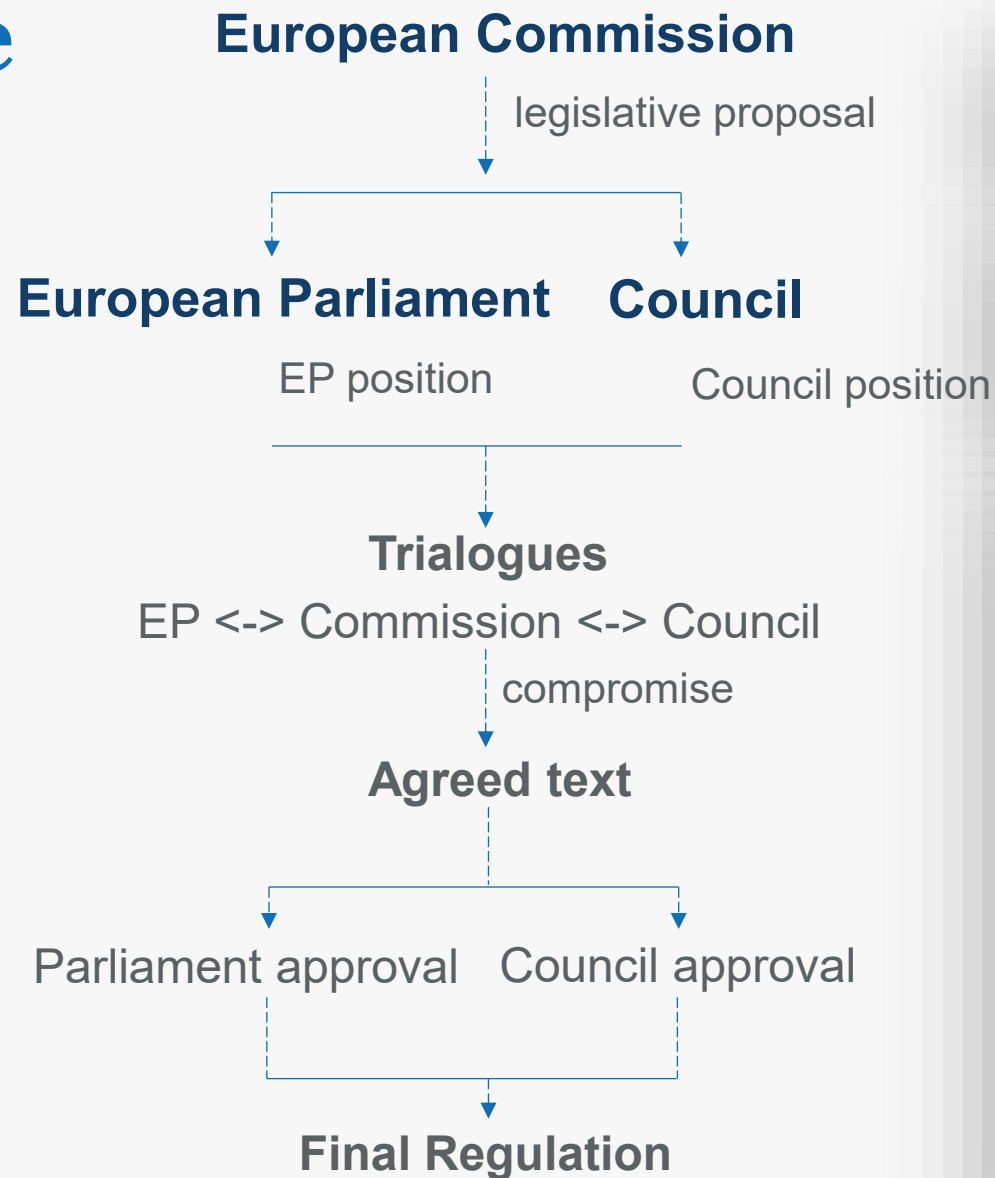
Nothing is decided until everything is decided!

25 September:

Post 2027 | Update autumn 2026
Online 10:00 - 12:00



2028– 2034: Where are we in the legislative process?



July 2025

In progress

2027

3 Layers of legislation

Horizontal Regulations

MFF Regulation

Performance Regulation

The “Plan” Regulation (NRPP Regulation, equivalent of 21-27 CPR)

European fund for economic, social and territorial cohesion, agriculture and rural, fisheries and maritime, prosperity and security

Fund-specific Regulations

ERDF/Cohesion Fund (including Interreg; equivalent of 21-27 ERDF – Cohesion Fund Regulation)

Global Europe

*Commission Implementing Act(s) – the **Interreg Plan**
(not published yet but Info sheet available)

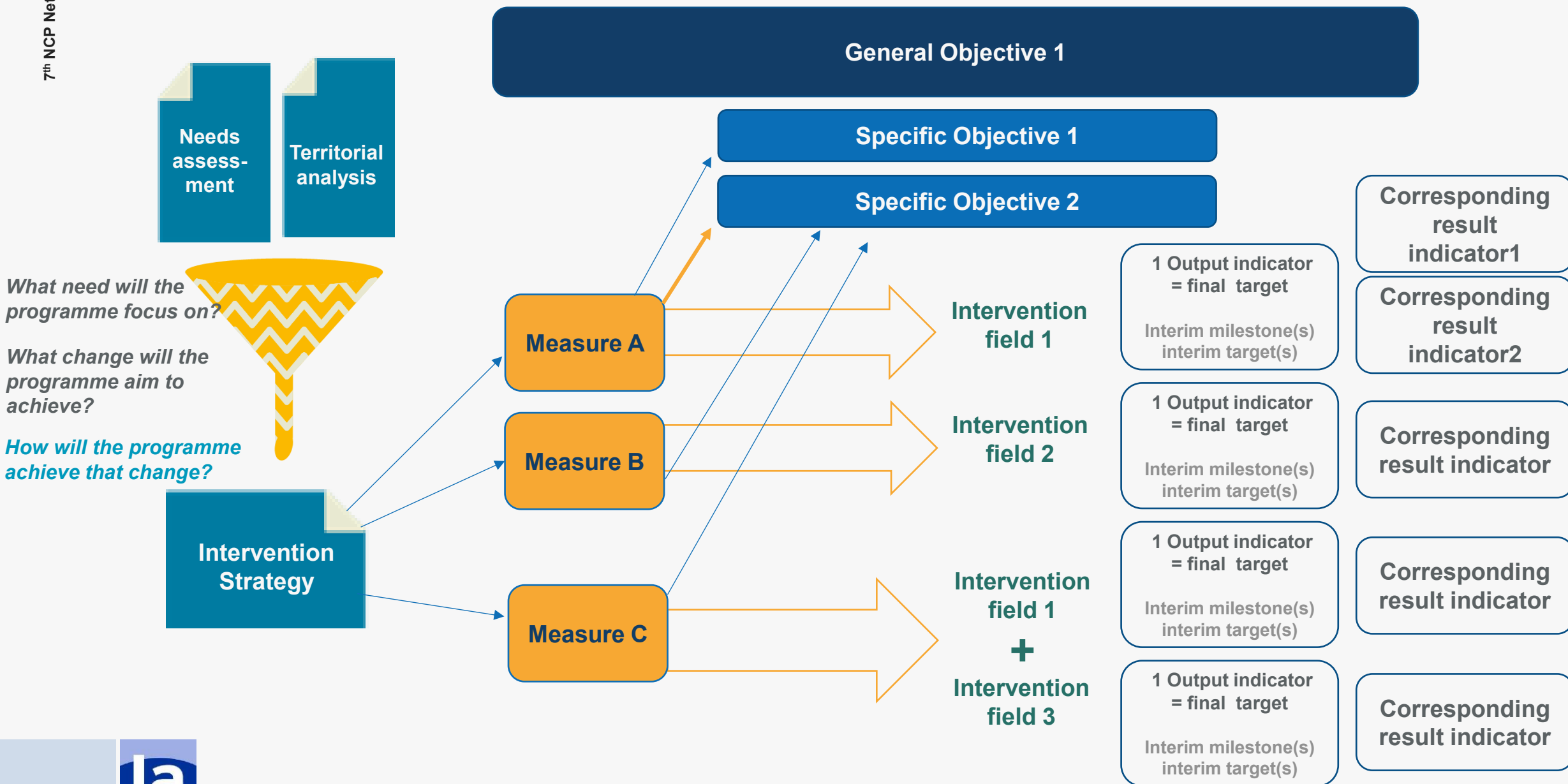
New The Interreg Plan - Implementing Act

1. General part covering

- (i) the list of Interreg Plan chapters, their geography and the indicative allocations and
- (ii) the detailed implementation modalities (Article 9(1)) ERDF/CF) to ensure continuity in implementation; and

2. The Interreg Plan chapters - summaries of the most important elements of Interreg programmes, as defined in the template for the Interreg Plan chapter.

Intervention logic 28-34



Measure : key financial steps



Determination of the ex-ante total costs



Definition of the individual milestone(s), target(s), output(s) and pay-out values, along with their indicative completion timeline



Verification mechanisms. Interreg Chapters will have to describe for each milestone, target and output the document(s)/system that will be used to verify their achievement, how management verifications will be carried out and the arrangements to ensure the audit trail.

The basic principles of P-BA



Payment is based on meeting **pre-agreed conditions** *not on expenditures*



The purpose of P-BA is:

- a) to ensure **value for money**, because payment is only **provided in full** if **all** pre-agreed **conditions** are fulfilled;
- b) to focus verification efforts on **checking quality** rather than costs



An ideal P-BA mechanism balances the need to reserve some funds to act as **an incentive to meet all conditions**; while **providing regular cash flow** to enable delivery of desired outcomes

How the programming process looks like

Shape the strategic vision

- Start the territorial analysis using available evidence
- Consider what cooperation can uniquely address compared with mainstream/national funding.
- Agree the main challenges, opportunities and strategic directions.

Map needs

- Build on evidence
- Translate needs into cooperation
- Consult and validate
- Define the direction of change

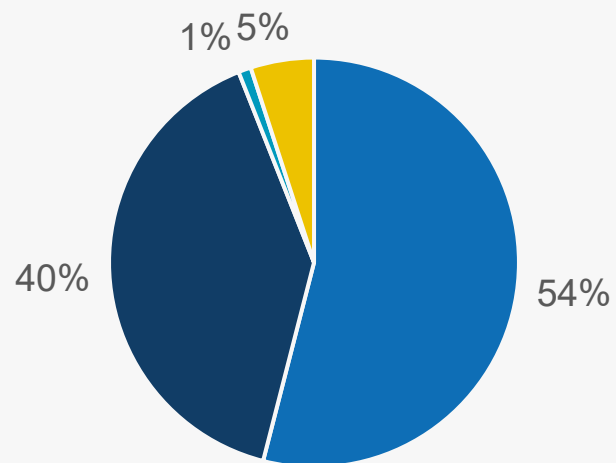
Design the intervention and operational strategy

- How will the programme respond?
- Build the intervention logic
- Define the delivery model (target groups, territories, project types and delivery approaches)
- Set the operational framework (Establish governance, decision-making, monitoring, reporting and control arrangements)
- Plan for continuity
- Focus on impact

Interreg Chapter

- Drafting
- Finalisation
- Submission

Where are programmes with the programming process?



- We have just started our initial discussions
- We have already established our Programming Committee
- We have taken the first decision regarding the new Programme
- We haven't started yet

Source: [2028-2034 Programming preparation process - challenges and needs](#)

Cooperation works

All materials will be available on:
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