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Go territorial: Interreg & TA 2030

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Reaching out to you!

We would appreciate your support!

We plan to bring Interreg practitioners as organised stakeholder group to the TA 2030 review process.

In practical terms it would mean:

- Help disseminating the survey run by the TA 2030 team
- Join our focus group
- Read interim deliverables
- Meet (online) 2-3 times to share, exchange & discuss

Why?

- ETC is not etc.
- Develop better links to the TA 2030



The tentative **timeline**

March

Survey on TA2030 & reviving focus group

Please complete it as programme and disseminate it to relevant projects.

Please support us – joining the debate!

April 26

Meeting of the focus group

Online

We want to meet to go through the interim deliverable of the TA 2030 review drafting team & we invite you to bring a basket full of territorial projects

May 24

Meeting the review drafting team

Online

The team offers to discuss survey results with the Interreg community and better understand the rationale of answers

Early October

Meeting of the focus group

Online

A quite mature pre-final deliverable can be expected after summer. We want to meet to discuss it with you and share comments



How to join this venture?

Show your interest now!

Write us a mail!

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Implementation of territorial development (CPR, Title III, Chapter II) and its application in the European Territorial agenda 2030

European Parliament resolution of 16 January 2024

The EP Report claims for two key aspects

.. whereas the TA2030 calls for the territorial dimension of sectoral policies to be strengthened at all levels of governance; whereas the driving principles of the TA2030 are encompassed in the two priorities

- a) 'People and places are drifting apart' and
- b) 'Sustainable development and climate change';



20. Stresses the need to **involve Parliament**, in particular its competent Committee on Regional Development, in the **pilot actions** in order to ensure that they are in line with current EU priorities, and to promote the results of pilot actions and communicate them at EU level, integrating and coordinating them with initiatives such as cohesion policy, in particular the ERDF **and Interreg**;

European Parliament: Resolution
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HLG Future of Cohesion Policy

Final Report

The report stresses the need for a stronger territorial component in future Cohesion Policy in several ways.

Forging a sustainable future together: Cohesion for a competitive and inclusive Europe; Report of the High-Level-Group on the Future of Cohesion Policy February 2024



Place & people based

To deliver on these goals, Cohesion Policy needs to reject 'one-size-fits-all' approaches and become more place- and people-based.



Performance & territorial orientation

Cohesion Policy must become more performance-based, blending its territorial dimension with a greater focus on results.



Place-based & transformative

It should change into a place-based and transformative policy, with future-oriented investments sensitive to the unique strengths, challenges and needs of regions.



Territorial fairness

Cohesion Policy should be a policy that promotes territorial fairness.

Single market and Cohesion Policy

Enrico Letta in his report on the Single Market:

- a) Cohesion policy helps the territories and citizens reap the benefits of market integration**
- b) Structural transformation (climate, digital and demographic etc.) have resulted into emergence of new territorial divergences - particular concern on the regions locked in development traps**

Work hypothesis

There are clear links between TA 2030 and Interreg!

The challenge from the Interreg perspective is to:

- a) grasp & develop key links and**
- b) translate it to the programme (and beneficiary's) context!**

TA 2030 & Interreg POs/SOs 2021-2027

TA 2030 Principles and Priorities & Interreg Policy and Specific Objectives 2021-2027

Matching territorial and cooperation aspects - TA 2030 Priorities & PO/SO for EU Cohesion Policy

A JUST EUROPE - that offers future perspectives for all places and people			
TA 2030 Overarching principles / Priority	Main corresponding PO/SO or ISO (not exhaustive)	Territorial aspects (examples)	Cooperation aspects (examples)
A BALANCED EUROPE - Better balanced territorial development utilising Europe's diversity	All Particularly ISO 1 since overarching governance is crucial! Role of transport infrastructure as key enabling factor (SO PO 3/SO 3.2 (mobility))	Recognition of specific geographical contexts, Poly-centrism, Strengthening secondary and tertiary cities to contain suburbanisation growth of agglomeration areas, Closing socio-economic disparities, Protecting and valorising natural heritage, Balanced settlement structure and provision of public services, Territorial Impact Assessment (TIA) as ex-ante assessment.	Multi-level governance models for specific types of territories (mountain areas, islands etc.), Closer strategic coordination and coherence between economic development and spatial planning systems, Cooperative approaches among territories with similar challenges and settings to increase impact as well as expand the portfolio of possible solutions, City networks, Rural-urban cooperation, Shared standards in valorising natural and cultural assets, Shared models for SGEI.
	PO 4	Social fragmentation and its spatial implications across all levels	Local networks and skills development, Sharing efficient and effective approaches.
FUNCTIONAL REGIONS - Convergent local and regional development, less inequality between places	Potentially all In particular PO 5 PO 3/SO 3.2 PO 4/SO 4.6 (role of tourism in remote areas)	Linkages and flows of people, resources and policies between cities and towns, Cross-border conurbations and their catchment areas, ITI.	Cooperation across administrative boundaries is the key ingredient for functional regions! Integrated multi-level governance approaches, Shared mapping of flows and mobility patterns to develop better policies, Cross-border ITI.
INTEGRATION BEYOND BORDERS - Easier living and working across national borders	ISO 1 ISO 2	Cross-border infrastructure, Cross-border workers	Embed stable cross-border transnational and interregional cooperation in macro-regional, national, regional and local development strategies,

The Vision 2027 and beyond

Territorial Agenda 2030

A reinforced strategic framework for territorial development agreed between the Member States

Cohesion Policy

A Cohesion Policy with stronger territorial components (place- and people-based)

Interreg - ETC

Interreg as a cooperation component with a strong territorial component and awareness of strategic actions

Registration questions – 1/2

- a) New socially and environmentally advanced models for local and regional mobility**
- b) How to increase the awareness of territoriality and the TA 2030 at the local/regional level? (how to make territoriality a basic component of projects?)**
- c) Different methods or approaches used to engage citizens in the selection of projects related to territorial cohesion**

Registration questions – 2/2

- a)** How can territorial development be integrated strategically into programmes without imposing additional expectations or administrative burdens on projects, given that these projects are already expected to align with MRS and/or other regional strategies?
- b)** What specific benefits and added value can the Territorial Agenda 2030 offer to programmes?
- c)** How to ensure more prominence of the TA 2030 in the regulatory framework for 2027+?

Pilot action in the TA 2030



A new pilot action emerges

On ‚Circular rural regions‘

Jens Kurnol, Federal Institute for Research on Building, Urban Affairs and Spatial Development, Unit F3 for European Spatial & Urban Development

Survey for TA 2030 review:

Key thematic takeaways from the pilot actions: a better understanding of local territorial needs, respective topics, and stakeholder needs; primarily used for networking, project planning, policy development and reform

Quest for territorial projects



Floor is open for discussion



Cooperation works

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