

Meeting of thematic network on climate change and risks



30 November - 1 December 2017

Veneto Region Palazzo Grandi Stazioni, between Piazzale Roma and the Venice train station Santa Lucia Venice, Italy





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Outline

Interreg programmes have been addressing the topic of environment protection, climate change, biodiversity and risk prevention for many years. In the current programming period 2014-2020, a set of thematic objectives have been defined for interventions in the cohesion policy. Thematic Objective 5 specifically addresses the issue of promoting climate change adaptation, risk prevention and management.

Interact has recently launched a thematic network addressing this topic in order to improve thematic expertise to help the result orientation of projects and programmes, to identify substantial evidence of results and ensure higher visibility of those results.

The specific objective of the network is to establish a live exchange and cooperation platform network between Interreg, Interreg-IPA CBC and ENI CBC Programmes, implementing a series of activities such as regular meetings and training, on-line platform for discussion and debate where members can participate. The network shall also be a natural place to share success stories as well as discuss challenges that Interreg programs face when implementing projects in the field of climate change and risks.

Meeting objectives

Building on the ideas put forward by participants in the launch of the network in June 2017, Interact is organizing a first physical meeting of the thematic network on climate change and risks, in order to help reaching common understanding of the topic and all related issues and implications for Interreg Programmes.

The objective for this meeting is to learn more about EU policies regarding climate action both on EU and regional level. We will foster exchanges on climate change-related measures and projects by different stakeholders, and facilitate a debate on common challenges faced by programmes. We aim to work together on the sharing of experiences and knowledge among members to implement possible measures to tackle these challenges.

In order to facilitate discussion and exchange, Interact intends to provide some background information based on the analysis of available project data related to climate change in previous periods. In addition, we have planned a climate change adaptation site visit, in order to get a better understanding of activities that are already put in place to address climate change and risks.

Last but not least we aim to address the important discussion on how we together can enhance the visibility of Interreg to the outside world and how we can do this together.



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Closure of day one

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Day One	Thursday, 30 November 2017	
08.30-09.00	Registration and Welcome Coffee/Tea	
09.00-10.00	Welcome and Introduction	
	Welcome by Ms.Silvia Majer, Head of Managing Authority Interreg CBC Italy-Croatia Programme	
	 Objectives, main expectations and presentation of the thematic network on climate change and risk. Tour de table. 	
10.00-11.00	Initiatives regarding Climate Change adaptation and risk prevention.	
	 Presentation of the Working Paper and analysis of available project data related to climate change in previous periods by Interact. 	
	 Activities of the European Topic Centre on Climate Change Adaptation on transnational Adaptation Policies by Ms. Margaretha Breil. 	
11.00-11.20	Coffee Break	
11.20-13.00	Continuation	
	 Interreg Programme Italy Croatia: Standard+ Call for Proposals on Axis 2 (TO5) by Ms. Matilde Cassin, project manager 	
	 Experiences by other programmes in climate change and risks 	
	Challenges and bottlenecks: Discussion and debate	
13.00-14.30	Lunch break	
14.30-15.30	Examples of Interreg projects making a difference	
	Examples of projects in the field of climate change and risks	
	• iDEAL project funded by the Italy-Croatia Programme, Mr. Bepo Schira, IRENA - Istrian Regional Energy Agency, Lead Partner	
	 presentation by other projects 	
	Challenges and bottlenecks: how can these be solved?	
15.30-16.00	Coffee Break	
16.00-17.00	The role of the thematic network: open discussion	
	Sharing of experiences and knowledge among members	
	What are the programmes' needs? How can we tackle the challenges?	
	How can we enhance the visibility of Interreg projects in this topic?.	
17.00-17.30	Wrap-up and next steps	
	 Set up of the exchange platform and next steps. 	
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Day Two Friday, 1 December 2017

08.30-09.00 Welcome Coffee/Tea

Participants participating in the guided visit get together to star the visit. Departure from venue (Palazzo Regione Veneto) to the site visit will be by public transport (vaporetto) and each participant will be asked to pay for

his/her own trip

09.00 - 12.30 Site visit to the Tide Center of the City of Venice

Visit with information on the main climate adaptation activities in the city of Venice and the early warning system for high tide.

13.00 End of the visit and closure of the meeting.



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Practicalities

For registration to the event, please follow the link below: http://forms.interact-eu.net/meeting-of-thematic-network-on-climate-change-and-risks

HOW TO REACH VENICE BY PLANE?

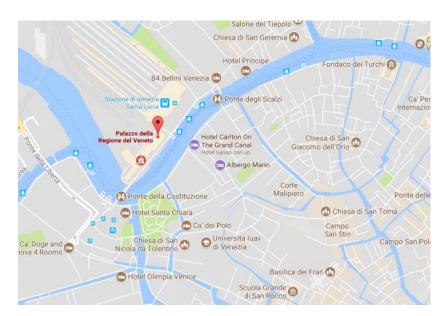
The Marco Polo Airport is located at about 13 km north from Venice and it is connected to the city by bus n.5 (departures every half hour), by airport shuttle (faster but more expensive) and by taxi.

HOW TO REACH VENICE BY TRAIN?

Santa Lucia is the name of the Venice's Train Station that reach the heart of Venice, crossing the bridge "Ponte della Libertà", at the end of the line. All the information about Italian train service can be found at the following link: www.trenitalia.it

Venue

Veneto Region Palazzo Grandi Stazioni, room n. 1065 first floor, between Piazzale Roma and the Venice train station Santa Lucia



Travel

Every participant is responsible to take care of his/her travel.

Accommodation

Every participant is responsible to take care of his/her accommodation in Venice. Here are some options:

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