



Interreg communication network meeting

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Events

Interreg Annual Meeting 2018

WHEN & WHERE: 18-19 June 2018, Brussels, Belgium

FOCUS ON:

1st day - current implementation issues

2nd day - future of Interreg

Format: plenary sessions, workshops, project visits
(optional)

16th European Week of Regions and Cities

WHEN & WHERE: 8-11 October
2018, Brussels, Belgium

**Main headline - ‘For a strong EU
cohesion policy beyond 2020’**

Workshops, participatory sessions,
Ted-like talks, Q&A sessions,
exhibitions, including Tasting
Regions and Cities



More information: www.regions-and-cities.europa.eu

RegioStars Awards 2018

Five award categories:

- 1) *Supporting smart industrial transition*
- 2) *Achieving sustainability through low carbon emissions*
- 3) *Creating better access to public services*
- 4) *Tackling migration challenges*
- 5) *Topic of the year 2018: Investing in cultural heritage*

Applications can be submitted from **1 March till 15 April 2018**.

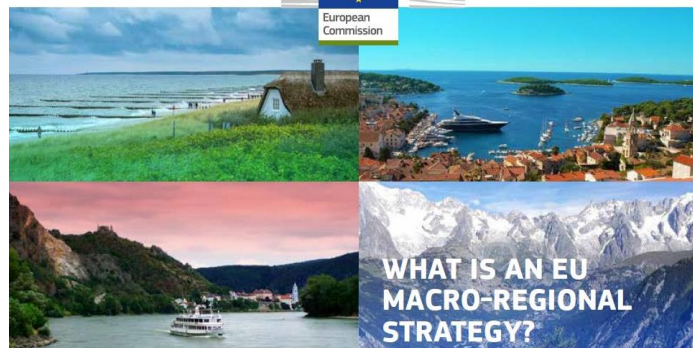
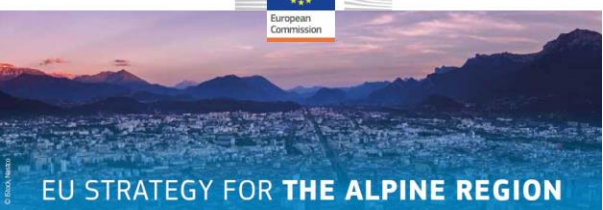
Award ceremony will take place on **9 October 2018**.

More information: www.regiostarsawards.eu

Annual Fora of EU macro-regional strategies

- ❖ 3rd Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region on **24-25 May 2018** in Catania, Italy
- ❖ 9th Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) on **4-5 June 2018** in Tallinn, Estonia & 10th Annual Forum of the EUSBSR on **12-13 June 2019** in Gdańsk, Poland
- ❖ 7th Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region on **18-19 October 2018** in Sofia, Bulgaria
- ❖ 2nd Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region on **20-21 November 2018** in Innsbruck, Austria

Publications



10 Things to Know About Transnational Cooperation



Interreg 

The role of Interreg transnational cooperation programmes in EU Cohesion Policy

Campaigns

COHESION



#EUinmyRegion





WE NEED YOU(R) SUCCESS STORIES!



Microsoft Word
97 - 2003 Document

Key Interreg Initiatives 2018



101 volunteers reached!

Extension of IVY until end of August 2018

Currently reflection on IVY 2

**1 March-20 March: social media campaign to celebrate
“1st year of IVY” with videos shot by volunteers**

OUR HERITAGE: WHERE THE PAST MEETS THE FUTURE

2018 
**EUROPEAN YEAR
OF CULTURAL
HERITAGE**
#EuropeForCulture

Interreg has the most labelled projects/events

Encourage your projects to get the label at:

<https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/RequestLabelEYCH2018>

Interreg workshop at EWRC on cultural heritage and possibly focus of project visits at Interreg Annual Event

Communication on “Boosting Growth and Cohesion in EU Border Regions”

Action Plan – Border Focal Point



deepen cooperation and exchanges



improve the legislative process



support cross-border employment



promote border multilingualism



facilitate cross-border accessibility



e-government to enable
cross-border public administration



provide reliable and understandable
information and assistance



promote greater pooling of health
care facilities



consider the legal and financial
framework for cooperation



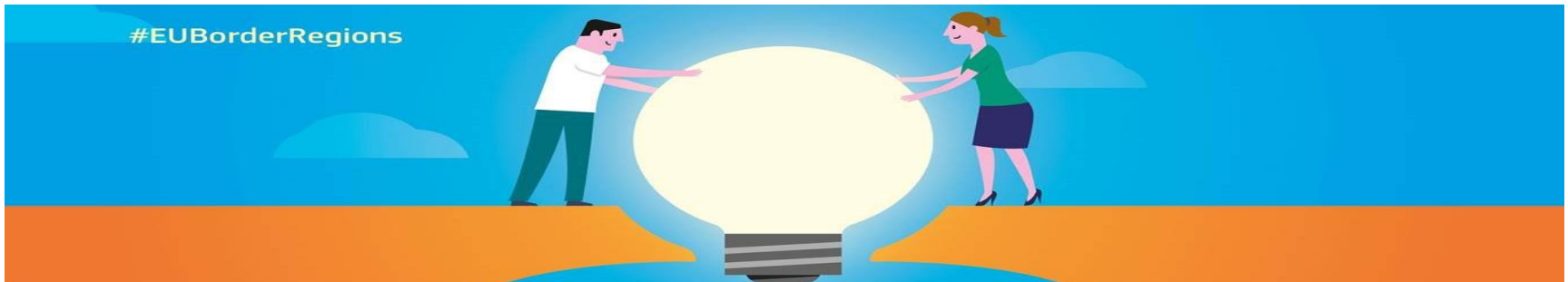
build evidence for better
decision-making

@Boost EU Border Regions



Log in, engage
Exchange with others
Thematic & horizontal groups
Invite stakeholders
Lead discussions
Share CBC related events / news / articles
Provide us feedback

<https://ec.europa.eu/futurium/en/border-regions>



B- Solutions: Call for proposal for **20 pilot actions** on employment, transport, health, multilingualism, and institutional cooperation. Deadline: **30 April**

4 December: Conference on Cross-Border Cooperation on Health with DG SANTE

Study on missing rail links soon available



Public Consultation

Public Consultation on EU Funds in the area of cohesion



Need of your views to assess what has worked and what can be improved

Open to everyone & answers can be anonymous

Deadline: 8 March 2018

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