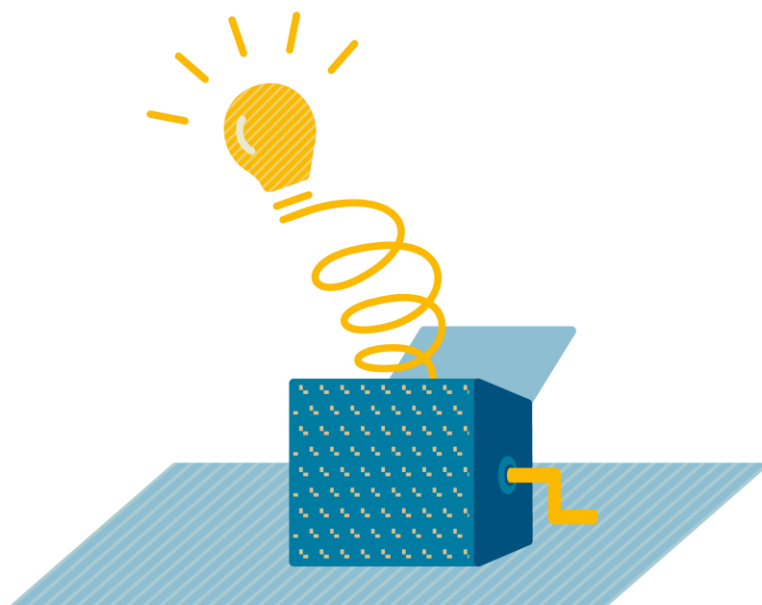


# Coordination and cooperation across programmes



**21 March 2018**

4<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting on coordination and cooperation across programmes  
Palau Reial de Pedralbes, Avinguda Diagonal, 686, 08034  
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#### **Outline**

During the events organised by Interact it was concluded that coordination and cooperation among Interreg programmes and beyond is not yet a daily practice but rather an exception. Therefore, in late 2016 Interact invited few Interreg programmes to come together and work on developing and describing different coordination and cooperation activities and experiences.

Throughout its work the group of Interreg programmes (Task Force) developed descriptions of activities for four coordination and cooperation levels (options), clarifying and providing for each of the descriptions: objectives, activities (ideas) on how the coordination and cooperation is/could be implemented, benefits and difficulties, sharing experiences as well as defining open issues/questions for improvement, especially post 2020.

Responding to the Task Force proposal, the meeting with Interreg Europe, Horizon 2020 and LIFE programmes was organised to discuss how coordination and cooperation between Interreg programmes and EU wide programmes could be improved now and in post 2020 period. Following up on the discussion, Task Force identified several further elements that could be exploited and suggestions provided to enhance coordination and cooperation, as such were identified:

- thematic coordination and cooperation;
- coordination and cooperation process as a part of programme implementation;
- coordination and cooperation: voluntary or compulsory;
- communication and promotion of coordination and cooperation practices.

#### **Objectives**

The objective of the meeting is to use the expertise of the Task Force members to collect, discuss and compile concrete ideas and suggestions with regard to coordination and cooperation focusing on the three aspects of processes, communication and thematic coordination and cooperation. The input provided by the Task Force during the meeting will be compiled into a summary document of the meeting which can serve as food for thoughts for any other stakeholder on how to make coordination and cooperation easier and daily reality.



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#### **Day 1**

**Wednesday, 21 March 2018**

**08.30 – 09.00**

Registration and welcome coffee

**09.00 – 09.15**

#### **Introduction**

*Baiba Liepa, Mercedes Acitores, Philipp Schwartz, Interact*

**09.15 – 09.30**

#### **Welcoming words**

*Marina Falco, Director for Foreign Relations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Catalan Government*

**09.30 - 10.20**

#### **Coordination and cooperation: compulsory or voluntary?**

- View of Task Force members
- Arguments in favour of 'mandatory' and 'voluntary'
- Discussion among the participants

Objectives of the session: To provide a picture if coordination and cooperation should be a requirement or an option for programmes by listing arguments in favour of either the one or the other. The aim is not to come to an agreement, but to list views.

*NB! Input for this session will be collected from the participants in preparation of the event.*

**10.20 – 12.50**

#### **Coordination and cooperation: processes & communication**

- Group 1: Brainstorming and developing suggestions on coordination and cooperation processes – how to embed it in programme implementation processes at all management levels
- Group 2: Brainstorming and developing suggestions on communicating coordination and cooperation – how to tell about benefit of coordination and cooperation
- Presenting and complementing group results in plenum

*Coffee will be served during the group discussions 10.30-10.50*

Objectives of the session: To collect in two small groups concrete ideas and suggestions how processes respectively communication could/should be arranged to support coordination and cooperation.

*NB! Participants will receive beforehand key questions to be considered to enable an immediate start into the content discussion.*

**12.50 – 14.30**

Lunch break

**14.30 – 16.30**

#### **Thematic coordination and cooperation**

Objectives of the session: To collect in an (inter)active way and develop further ideas and suggestions on how thematic coordination and cooperation could/should be arranged.



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**16.30 – 17.00**    **Summary of the meeting and next steps**

*Baiba Liepa, Mercedes Acitores, Philipp Schwartz, Interact*

Summarising main points of the meeting that would present concrete ideas and suggestions on coordination and cooperation with regard to the three aspects of processes, communication and thematic coordination and cooperation.

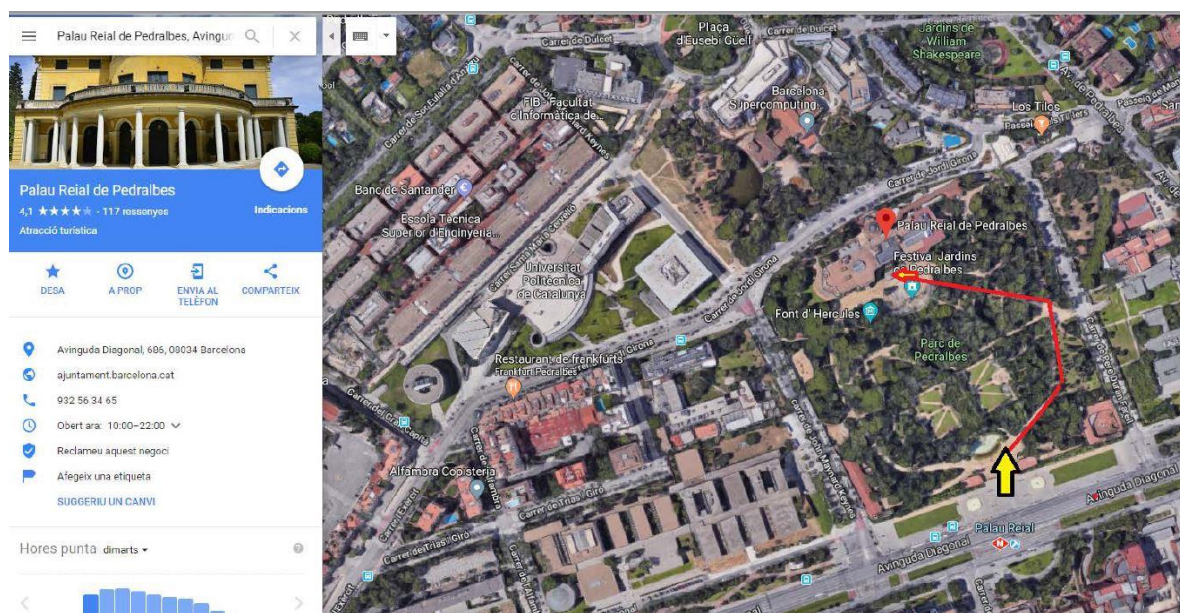


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### Practicalities

#### Venue

The meeting will be held in the premises of the Barcelona City Council, Palau Reial de Pedralbes, Avinguda Diagonal, 686, 08034, Barcelona, Spain.



#### Travel

Every participant is responsible to take care of his/her travel. To travel to the venue, you can use route planner available on <http://com-shi-va.barcelona.cat/en/>.

#### Accommodation

Every participant is responsible to take care of his/her accommodation. Organisers will provide all details in case special hotel room prices will be negotiated.

#### Other information

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