

# Meeting of the Climate Change and Risks Network



**5 and 6 June 2019**  
**Hotel Best Western Ambassador**  
Timisoara, Romania





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## Background

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*. In 2017, Interact 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 ([report](#)), Venice in November 2017 ([report](#)) and Zaragoza in 2018 ([report](#)), Interact is organizing a third 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 and risk prevention both on EU and regional level. We will provide a training on climate change related measures by a relevant expert and facilitate a debate on common challenges faced by Interreg programmes.

For the second day, we will organize a site visit to including a demonstration by a project on fire protection cooperation funded by the Interreg IPA cross-border cooperation programme Romania-Serbia.



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Day One

Wednesday, 5 June 2019

- 09.00 - 09.30 Registration and Welcome Coffee/Tea
- 09.30 - 10.00 **Welcome and Introduction**
- Welcome and introduction of the programme
  - Round table of objectives and expectations for the meeting.
- 10.00 - 13.00 **Training on Climate Change and Disaster Risk Prevention Policies. State of play and what is happening in Europe.**  
*Expert from icatalist.eu consulting*
- Coffee Break from 11.15 to 11.30*
- 13.00 - 14.15 Lunch break
- 14.15 - 15.30 **Sharing of experiences and knowledge among members. Examples of how Interreg is making a difference!**
- 15.30 - 15.45 Coffee break
- 15.45 - 16.45 **Possibilities of joint promotion of the Interreg Climate Change network.**
- EU Regions Week 2019
  - UN Climate Change Conference
- 16.45 - 17.00 Wrap-up and next steps
- After 17.00 **Free time and possibility of joint dinner (at own cost)**

Day Two

Thursday, 6 June 2019

- 10.00 **Reception of participants and departure by bus to [Recas Winery](#)**  
**Representative of project “[FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RECAS – ZAGUBICA](#) will present the project (outside or inside – depending on the weather conditions) and firemen will perform an exercise (10 to 15 minutes). Project team members and the firemen will present the equipment. Participants will be able to enter in the fire trucks, to ask questions, etc.**
- 13.00 - 15:00 **Recaş Municipality will offer a lunch meal to participants.**  
Filming of testimonials about the Interreg network
- after 15.00 (tbc) **Return to Timisoara. Farewell of participants and end of visit.**



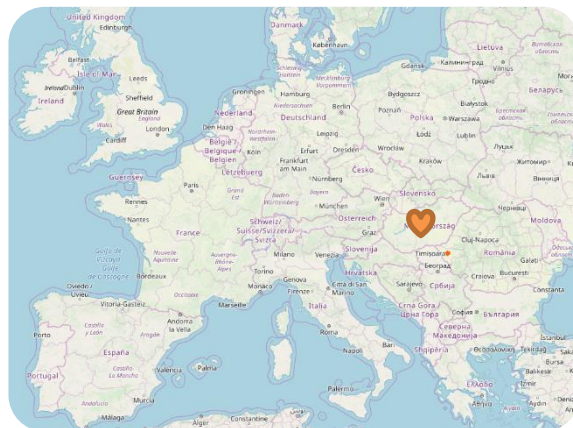
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### Practicalities

*Timisoara is the 3rd largest city in Romania and the main social, economic and cultural centre in western Romania.*

*The city is served by Romania's third busiest airport, [Traian Vuia International Airport](#), located 12.3 km northeast away from the city centre.*

*There are frequent bus connections between the airport and Timisoara city centre – [bus line E4](#)*



### Venue

The venue of this meeting is the Hotel Ambassador Timisoara (<http://ambassador.ro/en/>) located in Strada Mangalia 3, Timișoara 300188 ([map](#))

### Travel and accomodation

Every participant is responsible to take care of his/her travel and [accommodation in Timisoara](#).

In this [link](#) you can find valuable information about Timisoara (hotels/restaurants/attractions).



### Registration

Registration is needed to participate in this meeting. Please register in the following link:

<https://apps.interact-eu.net/interact/events.nsf/registrationform.xsp?eid=7A32>

### Other information

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