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Outlines

Supporting research and innovation (R&I) has been an important priority of EU policies in the multiannual financial framework (MFF) 2014-2020, and it will become even more relevant in the future. There are more opportunities for support to innovation initiatives made available for the period 2021-2027. At the same time, there are more challenges that require higher level of coordination and combination of funding, such as economic crises caused by COVID-19, and the ambition to lead the green and digital transition.

Objectives

The new regulatory framework for the period 2021-2027 is calling Interreg programmes to build complementarities and synergies between different Interreg strands, but also beyond reaching out to other funding programmes and instruments. How to do it in practice? During this event, we will look into existing programme experiences, challenges and recommendations. The event sets Smart Specialisation in the focus.

As a place-based industrial and innovation policy approach, RIS3 show where investments bring the highest impact for the growth of the regions. The RIS3 priorities are largely considered when building Interreg programmes, especially in a cross-border setting. In this way, RIS3 can inspire and set focus for a better coordination between different funding programmes.



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- 09.15 – 09.30** Setting up and checking in
- 09.30 – 09.40** **Welcome and Introduction**
Interact
- 09.40 – 10.50** **From designing to implementing smart specialisation priorities:**
- Inspiring policy learning and capitalisation, Thorsten Kohlsch & Marc Pattinson, *Policy Learning Platform, Interreg Europe*
 - Building links with Horizon 2020, Jana Valkova and Angelika Van Es, *Interreg Central Europe*
 - Implementation of RIS3 cross-border cooperation actions in the Euroregion, Almudena Ortega Sierra, *POCTEP*, & Francisco Hinojal Juan, *INNOACE project*
- Q/A session
- 10.50 – 11.00** Comfort break
- 11.00 – 11.10** **Mainstreaming Interreg results from Interreg to IJG**
Ivano Magazzu, Interact
- 11.10 – 11.25** **Going beyond silo thinking – How to use RIS3 for a larger impact**
Karel-Herman Haegeman, European Commission's Joint Research Centre
- 11.25 – 11.40** **The Interregional Innovation Investments instrument**
Mónika Zsigri, European Commission, DG Regio, Unit G1 – Smart and sustainable growth
- 11.40 – 11.55** Q/A session
- 11.55 – 12.00** **Wrap up & end of the event**



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Practicalities

All times indicated in this agenda are CET (Brussels time).

We will meet online using the video conferencing tool Zoom. Together with your registration confirmation, you will receive the link and further information how to access the virtual meeting room.

To enable a smooth start at 9:30, the virtual room will open 15 minutes before the meeting start and we will be present to welcome you and in case, assist you in case of any technical issues.

Registration

Please register your participation [here](#) by Thursday, 01 of July the latest.

Contact details

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