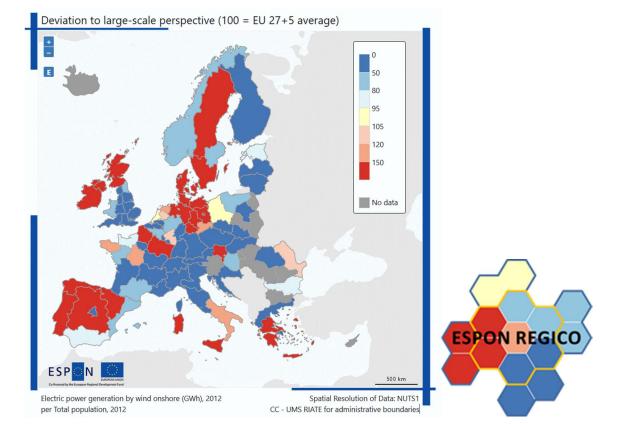




Interreg meets ESPON REGICO



Exploring a new tool provided by ESPON 26 November 2021 (09.30 – 12.30 CET) Online event Draft Agenda







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Outline

REGICO as a new tool to map and illustrate developments

I am told there are people who do not care for maps, and I find it hard to believe. Robert Louis Stevenson

Maps are one of the ways to allow for quick overviews. Once you are used to it they are easy to understand and allow displaying quite complex matters crisply and concisely. ESPON has developed a new tool allowing for quick production of customised maps.

The ESPON REGICO tool offers multi-scalar territorial analysis (MTA) to analyse how the performance of regions varies in relation to a specific area. The mapping tool facilitates users, for example, to relate regions to the ESPON space, to their respective national borders or their closer vicinity (e.g. neighbouring regions, catchment areas of commuters). It is a tool for benchmarking or as a means to decide on the distribution of investments in regional development. Initially designed for regional planners as well as national planning institutions, we think it could be very useful for staff of managing authorities and joint secretariats and / or programme evaluators.

In a nutshell: ESPON REGICO allows to analyse regions regarding various (relative) indicators in different spatial contexts and relations. The tool is available as web application via: <u>https://regico.espon.eu/</u>

For more info please see:

https://www.espon.eu/HyperAtlas-3.0

We encourage you to test it

Mapping trends might come in handy for various purposes. Maps help to illustrate facts and trends and to analyse your programme area. A first tentative list of ideas where REGICO could support illustration:

- Showing development trends in the programme area e.g. to inform your MC about trends in fields related to project clusters
- Illustrating the analysis of trends in many areas relevant for the programme context as part of the evaluation
- Discuss and justify a specific regional focus in larger programme areas

Objectives

We will:

- Present the tool
- Start testing it a bit,
- Discuss and explore options for using it

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Day26 November 2021

09.15 - 09.30 Check-in to virtual meeting room and technical settings

Please join the virtual meeting room in good time to test and ensure that the technical settings work. The room will be open 15 minutes before the meeting will start.

09.30 – 09.45 Welcome and introduction

- Welcome and introduction (ESPON, INTERACT)
- Event objectives

09.45 - 10.15 The tool

• Presenting the tool (project team)

Q&A

Objective:

We will learn about key functionalities and options

10.15 – 11.15 Developing ideas for future use

 Interview / talk with colleagues from two programmes (CBC, TNC): how could we use REGICO across the programme life cycle?

Discussion

Objective:

Developing and sharing ideas for which purposes across the programme life cycle REGICO might be useful (inception phase – communication to attract new groups, deepening and illustrating knowledge on thematic fields, evaluation, development / justification of specific calls etc.)

11.15 – 11.30 Comfort break

11.30 – 12.15 Testing it!

• Possibility to test the tool

Q&A

Objective:

Participants should try using the tool and have the option to ask the project team

12.15 – 12.30 Wrap-up and closure



Practicalities!

Online meeting and meeting times

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 swift start at 09.30, the virtual room will open 15 minutes before the meeting start and we will be present for your (technical) assistance.

Registration

Please register your participation by 25 November 2021.

Other information

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