

## Which type of Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) for the circular economy in Kosice Self-governing Region

Online matchmaking session, 23 June, 10:00 CEST

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## Rationale and specific objectives:

## c.90 min.

European regions are facing multiple economic, environmental and social challenges and require integrated territorial approaches to deliver effective responses.

Integrated Territorial Investments (ITI) are covered by Article 36 of the Common Provisions Regulation. They allow the combination of investments from several priority axes of one or more Operational Programmes for the purposes of multi-dimensional and cross-sectoral intervention for a specific territory whilst retaining the ability to trace the allocation of funds to the various investment priorities. ITI is a tool to implement territorial strategies in an integrated way. It is not an operation, nor a sub- priority of an Operational Programme. As such, the existence of ITI provides both flexibility regarding the design of Operational Programmes, and enables the efficient implementation of integrated actions through simplified financing.

The request originates from a successful Peer Review application of the Košice Self-governing Region. The Region is preparing for the new Programming Period 2020-2027 and aims at setting up an effective regional framework for the Circular Economy.

It was decided, however, to focus the Peer Review on two big thematic blocks around circular economy in public institutions and for other relevant stakeholders, <u>and</u> to organise an online matchmaking session for the third thematic block on Integrated Territorial Investments as this is a complex subject and requires a different set of expertise.

The objective of the online matchmaking session is two-fold:

- to support Košice in defining the types of ITI in the area of the circular economy that would be suitable for the Kosice regions
- to define ways of achieving the successful preparation of such a concept in the region

The final agenda will be agreed upon with the host of the Peer Review.



## No. and type of participants targeted:

- Representatives of different services of Kosice Region
- The peers are going to be recruited among the following experts (or their colleagues with similar experience) (target 3-4 peers including DG REGIO):
- TO6 INTHERWASTE
  - o Sanitation Cordob
- TO6 EURE
  - o City of Pilsen
- TO4 MOLOC project partners:
  - o City of Katowice
- TO3 INNOTRANS project partner:
  - o City of Prague
- Expert from DG REGIO: Smart and Sustainable Growth
- Total number of participants expected: 10-15

(Draft) Agenda		
5m	Welcome and who's who	
10m	Introduction to the policy challenge  Košice Self-governing Region	
10m	The concept of Integrated Territorial Investments and their relevance for the circular economy  Smart and Sustainable Growth, DG Regional and Urban Policy	
15m	Peer presentations on own experiences with ITIs  - Peer 1 - Peer 2 - Peer 3	
	Discussion of the questions from Kosice	
15min	<ul> <li>1. What type of ITI is most suitable for the area of circular economy?</li> <li>Košice presents the question</li> <li>The peers take turns to reply and discuss</li> </ul>	
25m	<ul> <li>2. How to prepare a successful ITI concept to strengthen the circular economy?</li> <li>Košice presents the question</li> <li>The peers take turns to reply and discuss</li> </ul>	
10m	Wrap up, take away messages and next steps	
	End	