



HIGHER

Interreg Europe

Barriers to S3 implementation

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- Background
- The Stockholm Action Plan
- Barriers I, II & III

- Stockholm did not have a smart specialization strategy
- Wanted to learn about S3 strategies and best practices
- Enhance collaboration between stakeholders
- Increase investment
- Grow international networks

- The Stockholm Model and Higher inspiration: Slovenian SRIPs and RIS3CAT
- Hitting the ground running: Using the structures in place and attempting to revive and restructure governance models for S3
- Actor engagement: selective and based on priority areas → stakeholder meetings and workshops
- Developed an Action Plan for S3 in Stockholm
- Frequent meetings with the key stakeholder

Actor engagement

- Sustaining actor engagement
- Clarity of concept
- Funding → S3 development driven by cinnamon buns
- "Big City"- problem?

Leadership

- Mandate limiting the ability to act
- Political commitment

Timing

- S3 exemption in Stockholm → Exciting strategy
- Administrative change: *From County Administrative Board to Region Stockholm in the Higher period*



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