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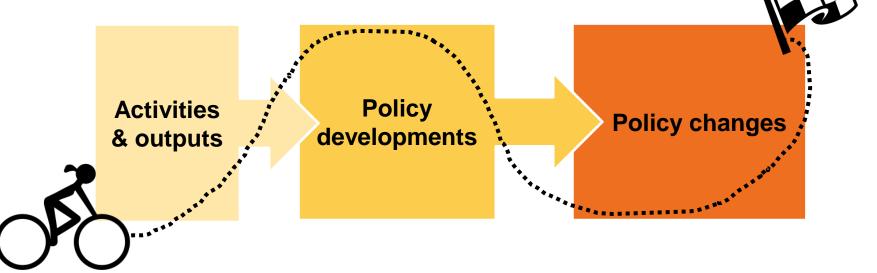
## **Reporting results**

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## Introduction to results



- Results are key to demonstrate success of project & programme
- Projects can report policy changes from the first progress report
- No changes yet? Report the work in progress (policy developments)



## What is a policy change?



## Type 1: implementation of new projects

- Finance new projects
- Launch new call for projects
- Influence design/ implementation of already approved projects

Based on a good practice from Brittany, the ERDF Managing Authority decided to invest EUR 351,000 in a new project called House of Digitalization. The aim is to develop a virtual one-stop shop to help in digitalization of SMEs.



## What is a policy change?



# Type 2: change in the management of the policy instrument (improved governance)

- Improve methodology for monitoring /evaluating a measure
- Improve organisation of thematic calls or project selection
- Better integrate environmental issues in various measures

Following two rounds of public consultation, the guidelines for potential beneficiaries of the Operational Programme were amended based on the recommendations from the stakeholder group meetings and the peer review exercise.



## What is a policy change?



# Type 3: change in the strategic focus of the policy instrument (structural change)

- Modify existing measures
- Create new measures
- Reallocate funds between measures

The Managing Authority renegotiated the operational program with the European Commission to reallocate 7.5 MEUR ERDF from priority axis 4. "Natural & cultural heritage" to priority axis 3. "Effective & green energy".



## Policy change example



#### **Economic Development & Innovation Operational Programme (HU)**

We changed the loan conditions of the "Incentive for employment – Loan programme" under Priority Axis 8 "Financial Instruments". Previously, loan conditions were less favourable for applicants as wage costs were not eligible. As a first step, a three-month-long wage cost eligibility is now included in our loan programme.

We learned that similar schemes in partner regions had a broader scope of eligible costs. Specifically, **good practices** from Croatia (Micro credit - the first step in entrepreneurship), Spain (Sodebur microcredit facility) and Poland (Swietokrzyskie Voivodeship Loan Fund) were relevant.

These practices featured in **project exchange reports**, which we introduced to **stakeholders in a dedicated working group** including the Ministry of Finance, the Development Bank and an Employment NGO.

Once all parties agreed, we (as managing authority) included the **amendments in the programme documentation**, which was **approved and published on 21-03-2019**.



Change is clear & precisely defined

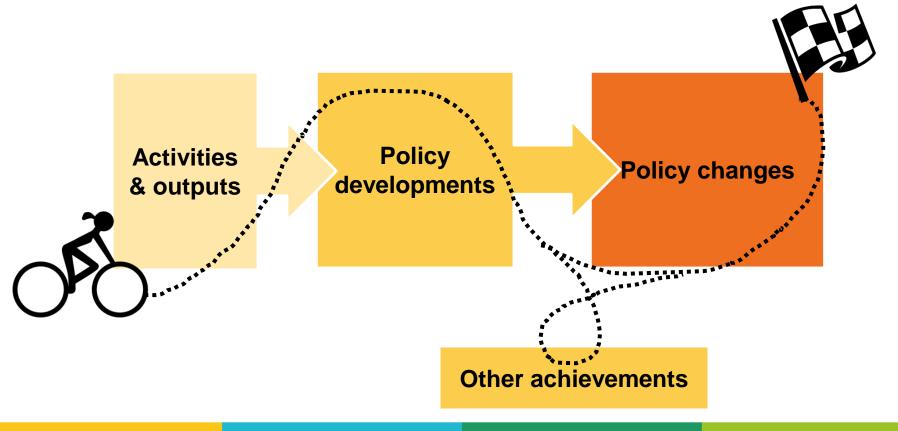




## **Other achievements**



 Apart from policy changes, projects may lead to unexpected spin-off activities



# **Other achievement - examples**





Västra Götaland Region (SE) and Sibiu County Tourism Association (RO) **established a cooperation agreement** regarding joint efforts in advancing heritage interpretation facilities for cultural tourism in their respective regions. This agreement focuses mainly on the Astra Museum Complex in Sibiu, a good practice and the main site for the study visit in September 2017.



London Waste and Recycling Board (UK) presented the EU LIFE Trifocal Project during the Ljubljana seminar, and invited all partners to get involved. As a result, Sofia Municipality (BG) was **included as a Dissemination / Replication City** in the LIFE Project Trifocal.

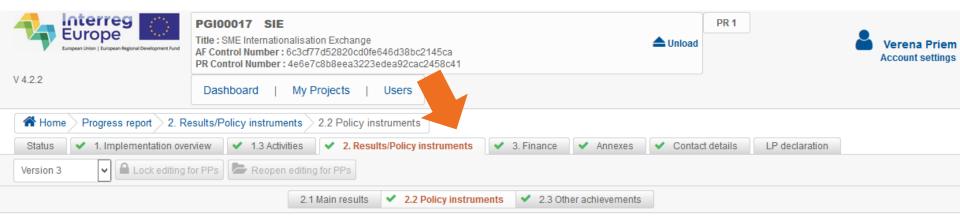


# 2. Reporting results – basic principles

- organised per policy instrument
- distinction between
  - ✓ 'policy development': work in progress
  - 'policy change': direct result of exchange of experience
  - ✓ 'territorial effects': longer term results

## Location of results in joint PR





#### 2.2 Results per policy instrument 🚯

Number	Name	Structural funds link	Responsible Body Name	PI addressed by partner(s)	First policy change reported in
₩1	South East Local Enterprise Partnership ESIF ERDF Programme Strategy (part of 2014UK16RFOP001)	Yes	Kent County Council	PP1 Kent County Council (UK)	N/A
✓2	Molise Region ERDF & ESF Operational Programme (2014IT16M2OP001)	Yes	Molise Region	PP2 Molise Region (IT)	N/A
✓3	Operational Programme Enterprise and Innovation for competitiveness (2014CZ16RFOP001)	Yes	Ministry of Industry & Trade	PP3 Ústí Region (CZ)	N/A
✓4	Operational Programme Niedersachsen ERDF/ESF 2014-2020 (2014DE16M2OP001)	Yes	Investment and Business Development Bank Lower Saxony - NBank	PP4 Investment and Business Development Bank Lower Saxony - NBank (DE)	N/A
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## **Report on policy instruments**



- Partners fill in report on policy instruments
- Once completed, LP checks, locks & imports to joint progress report
  - See <u>online tutorial video</u> for workflow

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## **Overview of result indicators**



 Filled out automatically based on information per policy instrument

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#### 2. Insight into project's results

2.1 Overview of main results			
Result indicators	Current period	Achieved so far (cumulative)	Target
Number of Growth & Jobs and/or ETC programmes where measures inspired by the cooperation were implemented in the field tackled by the project.	1	1	6
Amount (EUR) of Structural Funds (from Growth & Jobs and/ or ETC) influenced by the project in the field tackled by the project.	0.00	0.00	30,947,000
Number of other regional policy instruments where measures inspired by the cooperation were implemented in the field tackled by the project.	0	0	1
Amount (EUR) of other funds influenced by the project in the field tackled by the project.	0.00	0.00	2,800,000



### **Information per policy instrument:** A. General features (including geographical scope)

General Features			
Is this policy instrument a Structural Funds operational programme?		Yes	•
Is this policy instrument a European Territorial Cooperation programme?		Please select	•
Please indicate the geographical coverage	Country	Please select	
of this policy instrument.	NUTS 1 level	Please select country first	
	NUTS 2 level	Please select NUTS 1 first	
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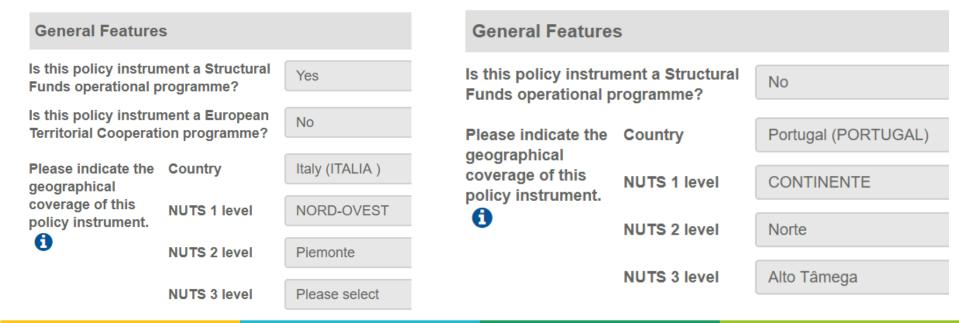


Territorial Development Integrated Strategy

of Alto Tâmega Region

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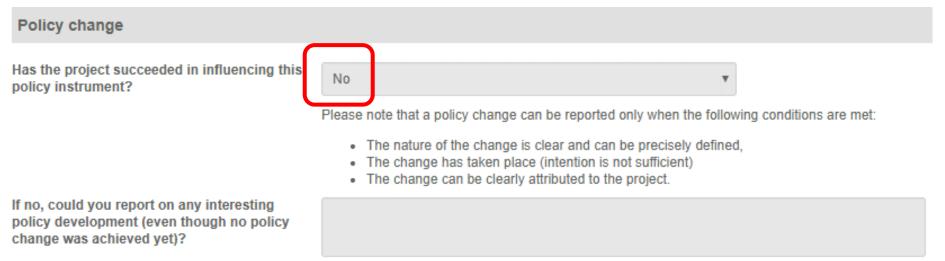
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### **B.** Policy developments

- If no policy change achieved, describe work in progress
- Policy developments required from PR3 onwards



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**CHERISH:** During our 1<sup>st</sup> stakeholder meeting, we discussed how to influence the OP to valorise fishing communities' cultural heritage. The Region is interested in how our partner in Zeeland built capacity to finance operations contributing to a distinct "sense of place" in fishing communities. This will be considered in the development of our tourism policy.

## **B.** Policy change

#### Policy change

Has the project succeeded in influencing this policy instrument?



Please describe in detail the policy change achieved thanks to the project. Is it related to the implementation of new projects, to an improved management of the policy instrument or to a modification of the policy instrument itself (see also section 4.3.1 of the programme manual)?

Please explain why this change would not have happened (fully or partly) without the Interreg Europe project; i.e. what is the link between the change and the activities organised within the project? Which lessons learned from the project were at the origin of this change? Please name the practices, activities or other content source which provided the inspiration.

Please describe more precisely how this policy change was achieved; i.e. what were the steps to ensure that the lessons learned from the project were finally implemented in your region? Did you have to organise specific actions to ensure that that these lessons learned were passed within your organisation and/or among the stakeholders (e.g. dedicated meetings with key people)?

#### Describe nature & type of change

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#### **Clarify link to project**

3 / 2,000 characters

#### Explain how change was achieved

3 / 2,000 characters



## **B. Funding influenced**

financial impact: funds directly influenced by the change

	Current period (EUR)	Cumulative (EUR)		
If applicable, please estimate the amount of funding influenced by the project.	80,000.00	80,000.00		
Please explain how the above amount was estimated.	Be reasonable & specific			
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**BID-REX** took part in development of Natural Heritage & Biodiversity Strategy of Catalonia 2030, calling for creation of a Natural Heritage Observatory.

80,000 EUR was invested to start work, covering:

- Assessment of conservation status of Catalan Natural Heritage
- Contract of Support staff
- Identification of priority projects & monitoring systems

## **C. Territorial effects** (mainly for phase 2)

- Impact of the change on the territory / final beneficiaries
- Additional performance indicators can be defined

**ATM for SMEs**: As part of a newly funded project, the Social Entrepreneurship Center was established in Fejér County (HU), offering support and microfinance for social enterprises. The number of clients is (currently): 10

**Territorial Impact** 

If possible, please describe the impact in the territory (e.g. beneficiaries concerned, results achieved in terms of increased competitiveness or cleaner environment).

In case this influence can be reflected through indicators, please complete the following section.

Self-defined performance indicator

## **Other achievements**



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## Criteria for reporting other achievements:

The new activity is already implemented, at least some first steps

The new activity is not funded by the project itself

Although it derives from the cooperation, the new activity is not in the framework/ scope of the project, but it has a clear separate nature.

## **Additional policy instrument**



 Possibility to add policy instrument via report on policy instruments, but only if a policy change has already been achieved

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If accepted, remains in the list of policy instruments in progress report

Number	Name	Structural funds link	Responsible Body Name
⊻1	Regional Spatial Plan ('Streekplan') for Fryslân	No	Province of Fryslân
✓2	Territorial and Settlement Development Operational Programme (TOP) 2014 – 2020	Yes	Managing Authority for Regional Development Programmes, Deputy State-Secretariat of Economic Development Programmes, Ministry for National Economy
✓3	ERDF Regional Operational Programme Castilla – León 2014-2020 (FEDER Programa Operativo Regional Castilla – León 2014-2020)	Yes	General Directorate for Budget and Statistics, REGIONAL GOVERNMENT OF CASTILLA Y LEÓN (Dirreción Gral. de Presupuestos y Estadistica, COMUNIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE CASTILLA Y LEÓN)
✓4	Climate Pact (Pacte Climat)	No	Ministry of Sustainable Development and Infrastructures (Ministère du Développement durable et des Infrastructures)
✔4b	National regulation on NATURA2000 management plans	No	Ministry of Sustainable Development and Infrastructures (Ministère du Développement durable et des Infrastructures)

# And now let's put in practice what we just learnt!

## **Quality-checking the results section**

For each exercise, discuss in groups of 4
 Note your comments.

- Has the report been filled out correctly?
- What information should be added or changed?
- 3. Turn the page to see the solution
- 4. Move to the next exercise...

Ask a nearby Policy Officer in case of questions!





## Key points to remember

- Reporting results becomes more important as project progresses
   = policy developments expected from PR3 onwards
- Report a policy change only when the policy instrument has been successfully influenced (intention doesn't count)
- Policy changes must be well described:
  - ✓ what is the change (e.g. new call launched, new monitoring system)
  - ✓ source of lessons learned (e.g. interregional workshop, study visit)
- Amount of funding influenced should be tangible and directly related to change
- Territorial effect & self-defined indicators can evolve during the project lifetime



