



## Call for pilot actions (1st call projects)

## Information webinar

25 JAN 2025 | 10:00 - 11:30



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## Outline

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- 2. Examples
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- 4. Request for changes
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Rationale of pilot actions

## Why pilot actions? Learning by doing

• 'Traditional' exchange of experience activities (core focus of Interreg Europe) not always sufficient to improve policies

 In certain cases, necessity to test a new approach before it can be adopted/ mainstreamed into the policy

## What? Definition

### **Pilot action**

An implementation-related activity dedicated to **testing** a new approach to public intervention. This is usually the transfer of a successful practice from one region to another, but it can also be a new initiative **jointly** designed by the project. The ultimate objective of a pilot action is that, when it is successful, it is ultimately **integrated** into the policy instrument addressed and therefore contributes to improving it.

Pilot actions should be **jointly** developed/ implemented:

Involvement of partners from at least two countries

## When?

Semester	Period	Pilot actions
1	<b>13/12/2022</b> – 31/08/2023	
2	01/09/2023 - 28/02/2024	
3	01/03/2024 - 31/08/2024	
4	01/09/2024 - 28/02/2025	Midterm review
5	01/03/2025 – 31/08/2025	Call (14 March – 15 April) + QA (April – May) + MC decision (June)
6	01/09/2025 – 28/02/2026	Pilot actions' implementation
7	01/03/2026 - 31/08/2026	r not actions implementation
8	01/09/2026 – <b>31/05/2027</b>	Improvement of the policy instruments

# Examples of pilot actions

## **Call4Crafts**



Municipality of Florence and School of Business and Industrial Technology (IT) from Design and Crafts Council (IE)







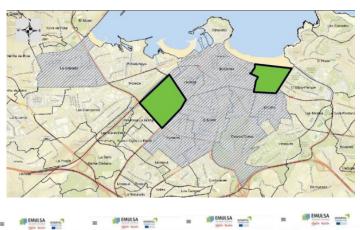


**Documento Unico di Programmazione – Municipality Multiannual budget 2021-2023** 

## Pay As You Throw/ Know As You Throw

Municipal Company of Urban Environment Services of Gijón (ES) from Seveso (IT), Argentona (ES), Antwerp (BE)













**Municipal Waste Management Plan of Gijon** 

## Autonomous shuttle service to improve transport connectivity of underserved areas in Vilnius

Municipal Enterprise "Susisiekimo paslaugos" (LT) from Tampere University (FI)















**Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan for Vilnius** 

# S Call for pilot actions

## **Key features**

1. When? 14 March – 15 April 2025, 12 noon (CEST/ Paris time)

2. How much? MEUR 3 (Interreg funds)

3. About what? Pilot actions at midterm

4. Who? 72 first call projects

## **Application pack**

- Terms of reference
- Programme manual (version 4)
- **Application form** (request for changes in activities) in the online system: the Portal
- 'Declaration' template only in case of additional partner Declaration to be uploaded to the Portal as a part of the request for changes procedure

## Partnership requirements

- Pilot action to take place in the partner regions (not possible to add a new region)
- Possibility to integrate a new organisation from participating regions (if needed for the pilot action implementation)
- Jointly developed (at least partners from two countries)
- Maximum 1 pilot action per region per project



## **Budget**

### 50,000 - 130,000 EUR

- Reasonable & proportionate to the activities
- One year duration



If the project significantly **underspends** (based on PR3 and the discussion during the midterm review), the pilot action will have to be fully or partially financed through this underspending.

## **Budget**

Cost categories	
Staff	Staff time to implement pilot activities
Office & administration	Flat rate of 15% of staff costs
Travel & accommodation	Flat rate of 15% of staff costs
External Expertise and Services	External support needed for the pilot
Equipment	IT hardware, software, machines, tools, vehicles
Infrastructure and Works	building materials, permits, labour needed for works (small scale – time constraints!)



Transferring the project subsidy to third parties (e.g. direct subsidy to an SME) NOT possible

## **Co-financing rates**

	Eligible project partner							
Co-financing rate	according to legal status and location							
2006 Interrog funds	Public bodies and bodies governed by public law for the EU Member							
80% Interreg funds	States and 7 EU candidate countries							
70% Interrog funds	Private non-profit bodies for the EU Member States and 7 EU							
70% Interreg funds	candidate countries							
F006 Norwagian funda*	Public bodies, bodies governed by public law and private non-profit							
50% Norwegian funds*	bodies from Norway							
Swice fund	Public bodies, public equivalent and private non-profit bodies from							
Swiss fund	Switzerland							

<sup>\*</sup>Norwegian funds cannot be allocated to this call. Partners from Norway applying to this call must finance their pilot action activities through their own underspending.

## How to apply?

- 1. LP sends an email to **PO + FO + projects@interregeurope.eu**
- 2. Request for changes procedure activities/ outputs (section 5.3.2 programme manual)
- 3. A project can **apply only once** (when the request for changes is submitted it cannot be re-opened to add a new pilot)
- 4. Complete application submitted online via the Portal at the latest by **15 April 2025**, **12 pm (midday) CEST (Paris time)**

## Selection procedure - Eligibility

### 3 criteria

- Respect the deadline: 15 APRIL 2025, 12 noon (CEST Paris time)
- **Completeness:** Request for changes + Partner declaration (if applicable)
- **Correctness:** the application and, if applicable, declaration(s) are fully and properly filled in.

Healing procedure: in case declaration missing or not correct

## **Selection procedure - Quality**

#### Criteria

#### Criterion 1 – Relevance of proposal

- Is the contribution of the pilot actions to the learning process clear? (Part D, Part E)
- Is the interregional character of the pilot action(s) clear? (Part D, part E)

#### Criterion 2 – Quality of expected results

- Is the testing character of the pilot action(s) clear? (Part D, Part E)
- Is the policy relevance (including durability) of the pilot actions properly demonstrated? Is the additionality of the pilot actions confirmed? (Part D, Part E)
- Is the innovative character of the pilot actions clear? (Part D, Part E)

#### Criterion 4 - Coherence of the proposal and quality of the approach

- Are pilot actions properly defined? Are they clearly integrated into the exchange of experience process?
   (Part D, Part E)
- If applicable, is the integration of new partner(s) justified? (Part B, Part D, Part E)

## **Selection procedure - Quality**

#### Criteria

#### Criterion 5 - Budget

- Is the pilot action's budget reasonable given the planned activities/outputs and the pilot's duration? Is it in line with the programme's recommendation (between 50,000 EUR and a maximum of 130,000 EUR)? (Part D, E, Part F)
- If costs are planned under external expertise and services and/or equipment, and/or infrastructure and works, are the amounts reasonable given the planned activities/outputs? Are such costs clearly described and justified by the planned activities (F.2, F.3, F.4, Part D, Part E)?
- Is there any activity that can be classified as state aid relevant? Is this in line with the partner's selfassessment? (Part D)
- If the project underspends (based on the third progress report and the discussion during the mid-term review), is the pilot action fully or partially financed through this underspending?

## **Selection procedure – Quality**

No scores per criterion but three possible statement

**Fulfilled** 

Partially Fulfilled Not Fulfilled

• If one criterion assessed as 'not fulfilled', application is not recommended for approval

# Request for changes

## **Project example 1:**



Skills and Scale to Connect for Business Acceleration Services policy transfer

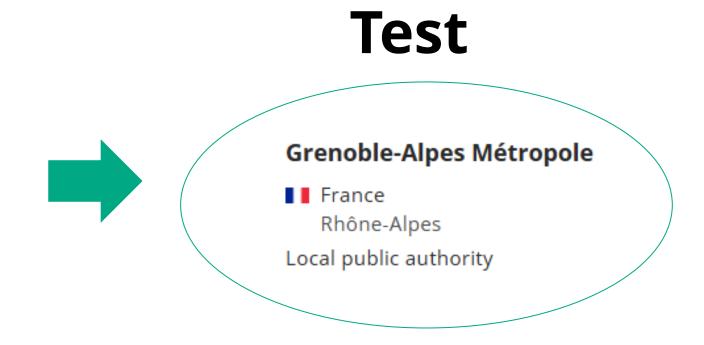


#### InnoSocialMetro

Training and financial support, provided to increase the capacity of micro and small enterprises to generate socially desirable impacts on their community.

#### **Metropolitan City of Turin**

■ Italy
Piemonte
Local public authority



## **Insight into the Portal**

#### D Main policy instruments addressed

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#### Overview main policy instruments addressed

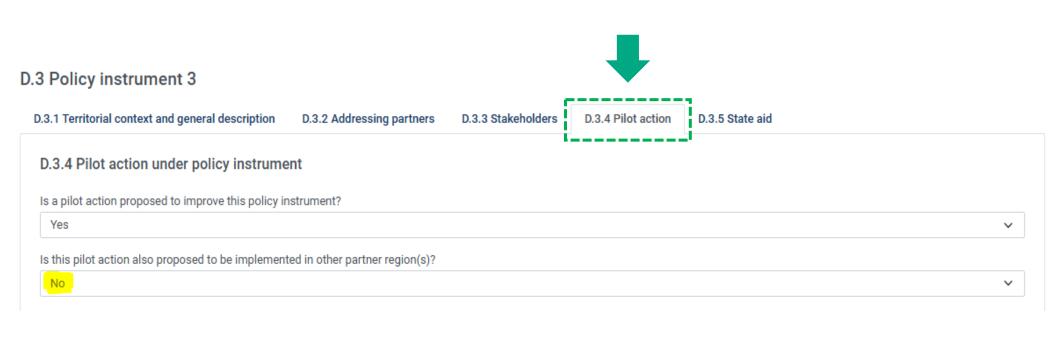
Number 1	Name of the policy instrument	Name of the policy responsible authority	Involvement of the policy responsible authority	Investment for Jobs and Growth programme	Country
1	SAN SEBASTIAN DSS ESTRATEGIA 2030 (2030 Strategy)	San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Partner	No	Spain (España)
2	Metropolitan Strategic Plan 2021-2023: Strategy 1.3 Stimulate innovation in the system of SMEs and micro-enterprises.	Metropolitan City of Turin	Partner	No	Italy (Italia)
3	Grenoble Local Economic Pact towards a more resilient economic alliance of the territory	Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Partner	No	France (France)
4	National Smart Specialisation Strategy Portugal 2030	Portuguese National Innovation Agency	Partner	No	Portugal (Portugal)
5	Economic Development and Innovation Operational Programme Plus	National Development Centre	Associated Policy Authority	Yes	Hungary (Magyarország)
6	Law on Aid for the Activities of Start-up Companies	Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia	Partner	No	Latvia (Latvija)

#### Overview pilot actions

Number 1	Title	Policy instrument(s) concerned	Semesters

addressed	
Overview	
1 SAN SEBASTIAN DSS EST	
2 Metropolitan Strategic Pla	
3 Grenoble Local Economic	
4 National Smart Specialisa	
5 Economic Development a	
6 Law on Aid for the Activiti	
E - Work plan	•
Overview	
Semester 1	
Semester 2	
Semester 3	
Semester 4	
Semester 5	
Semester 6	
Semester 7	
Semester 8	
F - Project budget	•
F.1 - Budget breakdown per cost category and partner	
F.2 - External expertise and services	
9 F.3 - Equipment	
F.4 - Infrastructure and works	
F.5 - Project budget per co- of inancing source - breakdown per partner	
F.6 - Spending plan	
G - Annexes	•
Overview	

O D - Main policy instruments



D.3.4.1 Core features
Title of the pilot action
Test

 $Please\ describe\ what\ will\ be\ tested\ in\ the\ region (s)?\ What\ is\ the\ precise\ nature\ of\ the\ pilot\ action\ envisaged?$ 

Test

Nature of the test

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Interregionality and contribution to the learning process  How is the pilot action linked to the interregional exchange of experience process? How will the implementation and lessons learnt from the pilot action be shared among the partnership to enrich the interregional exchange of experience?
Test
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Which other project partner(s) (from a different country) will be involved in the implementation of the pilot action?
Test
Metropolitan City of Turin
4/1000
What is the exact role of the other partner(s) in the implementation of the pilot action?
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#### D.3.4.2 Link to the policy instrument

Policy relevance and durability

How will the pilot action contribute to improving the above policy instrument? In case of success, how will the initiative be continued/ generalised within this policy instrument?

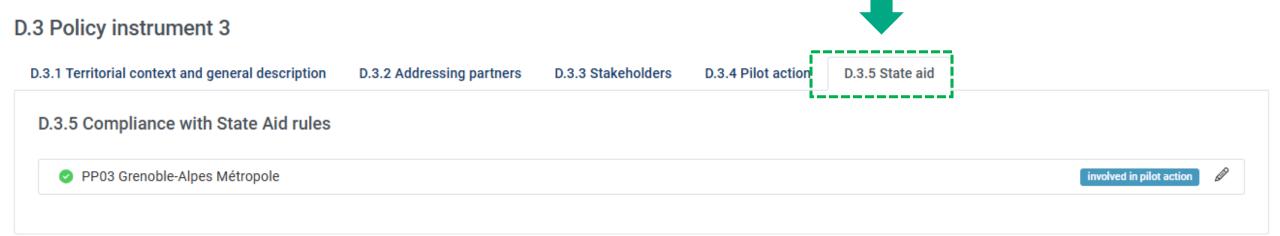
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#### Additionality

By clicking this box, the partner(s) concerned confirms that the pilot action cannot be financed by the above policy instrument or by other local, regional or national funds.

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#### D.3.5 Compliance with State Aid rules

PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole

More information in **section 2.7.4** of programme manual

This partner is involved in the pilot action.		Yes	No
Is the project partner involved in economic activities within the pilot Please select the applicable answers to the questions below and explain your			
Will the project partner implement activities and/or offer goods or services for which a market exists?	No v	0/1000	
2. Will the project partner receive an economic advantage, i.e., a financial or non-financial benefit from the pilot action which it would not have obtained under normal market conditions (in the absence of fundings granted through the project)?	No 🗸	0/1000	
Will any third party receive an advantage through its involvement into Please select the applicable answer to the question below and explain your re-	-		
1. Could any third party receive an economic advantage, i.e., a financial or non-financial benefit from its involvement into one or several activities of the pilot action which it would not have obtained under normal market conditions (in the absence of the pilot action)?	Yes	0/1000 This field is required to save the current page.	
Based on the results of the state aid self-assessment this pilot action cou	ld be concerned by indirect sta	te aid rules. Compliance with state aid rules will be checked by the JS as pa	ert

#### Semester 6 (Core phase)

Describe the planned activities related to the exchange of experience process at interregional and regional (stakeholders) levels. Please be as specific as possible with details on the main features of these activities (e.g., type of meeting, topic tackled, duration, location/host).

#### Exchange of experience

Within this last semester of the project core period, the partners and stakeholders will keep digital exchanges while they will be incorporating improvement in their Policy Instrument, and meet face-to-face to exchang outcomes (see "Communication" below).

The transnational interactions will consist in P2P (Peer to Peer) revisions of the Plans, through videoconferences and exchanges of documents, where owner of GP being transferred will revise how the partner is adapting and incorporating improvements, particularly to identify potential risks and needs.

In parallel, the sixth round of Stakeholders Groups meeting will take place in each region to validate improvements and the eventual commitments of each part.

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Pilot action 1 Test



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#### Communication

During this semester, in addition to the usual activities as described in the previous semesters (updates of the website, social media, press notes, e-newsletter nr. 6), the partners will edit 2 videos (Videos 5, covering the last E&L visits and 6, summarizing the whole core activities and explaining what policies have been improved, how, what were the sources of inspiration, etc.).

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#### Management

Ongoing management activities to ensure smooth implementation and reporting of the project

N° of interregional policy learning events organised

N° of good practices identified

N° of pilot actions developed jointly and implemented in projects

6

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#### Semester 7 (Follow-up phase)

Describe the planned activities dedicated to monitoring of the main phase results as well as to the exchange of experience (if applicable). Please be as specific as possible with details on the main features of these activities (e.g., type of meeting, topic tackled, duration, location/host).

Monitoring results of main phase and, if applicable, exchange of experience

As stated, the partners will have set indicators, milestones and calendar to efficiently follow-up and monitor the implementation of the improvements of the Policy Instruments and effective application of the knowledge gained through the creation of new services and changes in the management of the partners' instrument, new projects to be financed or supported and/or the overall revisions of the instruments themselves.

A monitoring tool/table will be used to collect homogeneous information adapted to each partner needs, and the results will be shared with the stakeholders and among the partners, through a SC meeting per Semester (place to be agreed on due time, taking into account as well the overall European agenda).

For such purpose, the partners plan to keep an active involvement of the stakeholders in the monitoring and evaluation process, as they are key collaborators and beneficiaries. In that sense, local/regional stakeholders meetings will take place on a 3 months basis (twice per semester).

Each partner will be responsible of the adoption of corrective measures in case of major deviation or difficulties.

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Pilot action 1 Test



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#### Communication

Within the follow-up phase, partners will keep communication activities, in this case to showcase the successful implementation of the changes and first results/impacts.

SERN will coordinate the efforts to make sure that all partners contribute to the activities in order to keep on updating the website once per month, and in order to edit e-newsletter nr. 7.

The average of posts per partner should be reduced to 1 post/partner/Social Media/MONTH as there won't be E&L activities.

Each partner should distribute at least 1 press note

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#### Management

Ongoing management activities to ensure smooth implementation and reporting of the project

N° of interregional policy learning events organised



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#### F.1 Budget breakdown per cost category and partner

When the budget of a partner changes, their partner contribution is recalculated based on their legal status. Please check in section 'F5 Project budget per co-financing source - breakdown per partner, if the source of funding of any partner needs to be revised following this automatic recalculation.

Partner †	Country	Preparation costs	Staff costs	Office and administration	Travel and accommodation	External expertise and services	Equipment	Infratsructure and works	TOTAL BUDGET
LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Spain (España)	17,500.00	205,080.00	30,762.00	30,762.00	83,950.00	0.00	0.00	368,054.00
PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	Italy (Italia)	0.00	109,000.00	16,350.00	16,350.00	55,350.00	0.00	0.00	197,050.00
PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	France (France)	0.00	120,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00	46,550.00	0.00	0.00	202,550.00
PP04 Portuguese National Innovation Agency	Portugal (Portugal)	0.00	102,100.00	15,315.00	15,315.00	43,450.00	0.00	0.00	176,180.00
PP05 Pannon Business Network Association	Hungary (Magyarország)	0.00	110,400.00	16,560.00	16,560.00	30,150.00	0.00	0.00	173,670.00
PP06 Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia	Latvia (Latvija)	0.00	90,000.00	13,500.00	13,500.00	22,950.00	0.00	0.00	139,950.00
PP07 Latvia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI)	Latvia (Latvija)	0.00	77,000.00	11,550.00	11,550.00	30,150.00	0.00	0.00	130,250.00
AP08 Startup Europe Regions Network (SERN)	Belgium (Belgique/België)	0.00	129,950.00	19,492.00	19,492.00	40,201.00	0.00	0.00	209,135.00
Total		17,500.00	943,530.00	141,529.00	141,529.00	352,751.00	0.00	0.00	1,596,839.00
% of Total budget		1.1%	59.1%	8.9%	8.9%	22.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%

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PP07 Latvia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI)	Latvia (Latvija)	Preparation costs	Staff costs	s 00	11,550.00	30,150.00	0,00	0.00	130,250.00
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% of Total budget		External expertise and service		9%	8.9%	22.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100 ?
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* Real cost, no flatrate		Infrastructure and works							
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#### F.2 External expertise and services

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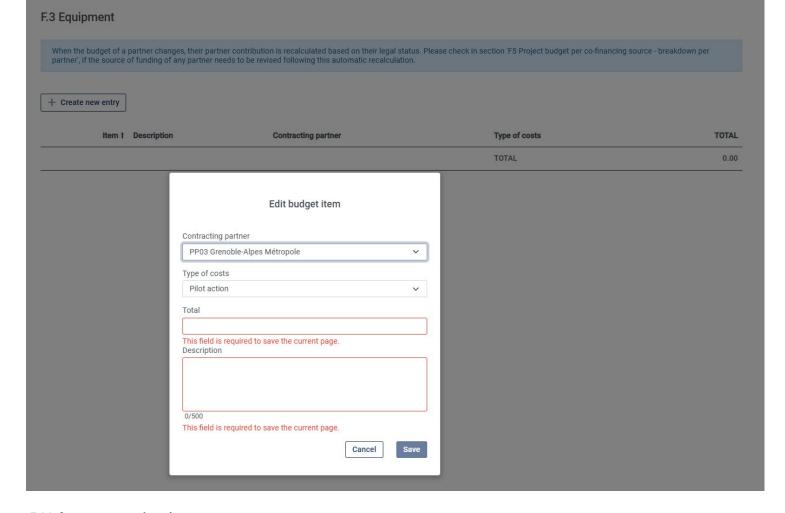
Item †	Description	Contracting partner	Type of costs	TOTAL
1	interregional partner meetings, regional stakeholder group meetings	LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Exchange of experience – meetings	1,500.00
2	associated policy responsible authority, stakeholders	LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Exchange of experience – travel and accommodation external bodies	14,250.00
3	T.A. in drafting guidelines, support to GPs	LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Exchange of experience – external support	18,000.00
4	regional and interregional dissemination events	LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Communication – events	3,000.00
5	Posters & audiovisual clip production for Social Media	LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Communication – material	4,000.00
6		LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Management – external support	36,000.00
7		LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Management – expenditure control	7,200.00
8	interregional partner meetings, regional stakeholder group meetings	PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	Exchange of experience – meetings	10,000.00
9	associated policy responsible authority, stakeholders	PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	Exchange of experience – travel and accommodation external bodies	14,250.00
10	T.A. towards E&L processes and incorporation of BPs	PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	Exchange of experience – external support	20,000.00
11	regional and interregional dissemination events	PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	Communication – events	1,500.00
12	Posters & audiovisual clips production	PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	Communication - material	4,000.00
13		PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	Management – expenditure control	5,600.00
14	interregional partner meetings, regional stakeholder group meetings	PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Exchange of experience – meetings	4,500.00
15	associated policy responsible authority, stakeholders	PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Exchange of experience – travel and accommodation external bodies	14,250.00
16	T.A. towards E&L processes and incorporation of BPs	PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Exchange of experience – external support	12,000.00
17	regional and interregional dissemination events	PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Communication – events	2,500.00
18	Posters and audiovisual clips production	PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Communication – material	4,500.00
19		PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Management – expenditure control	8,800.00

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1	interregional partner meetings	s, regional stakeholder group meetings	LP01 San Seba Development A	stian Socio-Economic gency	Exchange of experience – meetings	1,500.00
2	associated policy responsible	authority, stakeholders	LP01 San Seba Development A	stian Socio-Economic gency	Exchange of experience – travel and accommodation external bodies	14,250.00
3	T.A. in drafting guidelines, su			tian Socio-Economic jency	Exchange of experience – external support	18,000.00
4	regional and interregional dis	Edit budget item		tian Socio-Economic jency	Communication – events	3,000.00
5	Posters & audiovisual clip pr	Contracting partner PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	<b>~</b>	tian Socio-Economic jency	Communication – material	4,000.00
6		Type of costs Pilot action	~	tian Socio-Economic jency	Management – external support	36,000.00
7		Total		tian Socio-Economic jency	Management – expenditure control	7,200.00
8	interregional partner meeting	This field is required to save the current page.  Description		an City of Turin	Exchange of experience – meetings	10,000.00
9	associated policy responsibl			an City of Turin	Exchange of experience – travel and accommodation external bodies	14,250.00
10	T.A. towards E&L processes			an City of Turin	Exchange of experience – external support	20,000.00
11	regional and interregional dis	0/500 This field is required to save the current page.		an City of Turin	Communication – events	1,500.00
12	Posters & audiovisual clips p		Cancel Save	an City of Turin	Communication – material	4,000.00
13				an City of Turin	Management – expenditure control	5,600.00
14	interregional partner meetings	s, regional stakeholder group meetings	PP03 Grenoble	-Alpes Métropole	Exchange of experience – meetings	4,500.00
15	associated policy responsible	authority, stakeholders	PP03 Grenoble	Alpes Métropole	Exchange of experience – travel and accommodation external bodies	14,250.00



#### F.4 Infrastructure and works

When the budget of a partner changes, their partner contribution is recalculated based on their legal status. Please check in section 'F5 Project budget per co-financing source - breakdown per partner,' if the source of funding of any partner needs to be revised following this automatic recalculation.

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Item t	Description	Contracting partner	Type of costs	TOTAL
			TOTAL	0.00

#### F.6 Spending plan

#### Core phase

Partner †	Preparation costs	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4	Semester 5	Semester 6	TOTAL BUDGET
LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	17,500.00	42,066.00	42,066.00	49,078.00	49,078.00	56,089.00	56,089.00	368,054.00
PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	0.00	23,646.00	23,646.00	27,587.00	27,587.00	31,528.00	31,528.00	197,050.00
PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	0.00	24,306.00	24,306.00	28,357.00	28,357.00	32,408.00	32,408.00	202,550.00
PP04 Portuguese National Innovation Agency	0.00	21,142.00	21,142.00	24,665.00	24,665.00	28,189.00	28,189.00	176,180.00
PP05 Pannon Business Network Association	0.00	20,840.00	20,840.00	24,314.00	24,314.00	27,787.00	27,787.00	173,670.00
PP06 Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia	0.00	16,794.00	16,794.00	19,593.00	19,593.00	22,392.00	22,392.00	139,950.00
PP07 Latvia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI)	0.00	15,630.00	15,630.00	18,235.00	18,235.00	20,840.00	20,840.00	130,250.00
AP08 Startup Europe Regions Network (SERN)	0.00	25,096.00	25,096.00	29,279.00	29,279.00	33,462.00	33,461.00	209,135.00
Total	17,500.00	189,520.00	189,520.00	221,108.00	221,108.00	252,695.00	252,694.00	1,596,839.00
% of Total budget	1.1%	11.9%	11.9%	13.8%	13.8%	15.8%	15.8%	100.0%

#### Follow-up and closure phase

	Partner †	Semester 7	Semester 8 and closure	TOTAL BUDGET
	LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	28,044.00	28,044.00	368,054.00
į	PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	15,764.00	15,764.00	197,050.00
Ī	PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	16,204.00	16,204.00	202,550.00
	PP04 Portuguese National Innovation Agency	14,094.00	14,094.00	176,180.00
	PP05 Pannon Business Network Association	13,894.00	13,894.00	173,670.00
	PP06 Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia	11,196.00	11,196.00	139,950.00
	PP07 Latvia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI)	10,420.00	10,420.00	130,250.00
	AP08 Startup Europe Regions Network (SERN)	16,731.00	16,731.00	209,135.00
	Total	126,347.00	126,347.00	1,596,839.00
	% of Total budget	7.9%	7.9%	100.0%



#### F.6 Spending plan

#### Core phase

Partner †	Preparation costs	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4	Semester 5	Semester 6	TOTAL BUDGET
LP01 San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	17,500.00	42,066.00	42,066.00	49,078.00	49,078.00	56,089.00	56,089.00	368,054.00
PP02 Metropolitan City of Turin	0.00	23,646.00	23,646.00	27,587.00	27,587.00	31,528.00	31,528.00	197,050.00
PP03 Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	0.00	24,306.00	24,306.00	28,357.00	28,357.00	32,408.00	32,408.00	202,550.00
PP04 Portuguese National Innovation Agency	0.00	21,142.00	21,142.00	24,665.00	24,665.00	28,189.00	28,189.00	176,180.00
PP05 Pannon Business Network Association	0.00	20,840.00	20,840.00	24,314.00	24,314.00	27,787.00	27,787.00	173,670.00
PP06 Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia	0.00	16,794.00	16,794.00	19,593.00	19,593.00	22,392.00	22,392.00	139,950.00
PP07 Latvia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI)	0.00	15,630.00	15,630.00	18,235.00	18,235.00	20,840.00	20,840.00	130,250.00
AP08 Startup Europe Regions Network (SERN)	0.00	25,096.00	25,096.00	29,279.00	29,279.00	33,462.00	33,461.00	209,135.00
Total	17,500.00	189,520.00	189,520.00	221,108.00	221,108.00	252,695.00	252,694.00	1,596,839.00
% of Total budget	1.1%	11.9%	11.9%	13.8%	13.8%	15.8%	15.8%	100.0%

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Total	126,347.00	126,347.00	1,596,839.00
% of Total budget	7.9%	7.9%	100.0%





If the project significantly underspends in PR3



# **Project example 2:**







Skills and Scale to Connect for Business Acceleration Services policy transfer



#### **InnoSocialMetro**

Training and financial support, provided to increase the capacity of micro and small enterprises to generate socially desirable impacts on their community.

#### **Metropolitan City of Turin**

■ Italy
Piemonte

Local public authority



## **Test**

#### **Grenoble-Alpes Métropole**

■ France Rhône-Alpes Local public authority

Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia

Latvia Latvija

National public authority

# **Insight into the Portal**

D Main policy instruments addressed

+ Create policy instrument

Overview main policy instruments addressed

Number 1	Name of the policy instrument	Name of the policy responsible authority	Involvement of the policy responsible authority	Investment for Jobs and Growth programme	Country
1	SAN SEBASTIAN DSS ESTRATEGIA 2030 (2030 Strategy)	San Sebastian Socio-Economic Development Agency	Partner	No	Spain (España)
2	Metropolitan Strategic Plan 2021-2023: Strategy 1.3 Stimulate innovation in the system of SMEs and micro-enterprises.	Metropolitan City of Turin	Partner	No	Italy (Italia)
3	Grenoble Local Economic Pact towards a more resilient economic alliance of the territory	Grenoble-Alpes Métropole	Partner	No	France (France)
4	National Smart Specialisation Strategy Portugal 2030	Portuguese National Innovation Agency	Partner	No	Portugal (Portugal)
5	Economic Development and Innovation Operational Programme Plus	National Development Centre	Associated Policy Authority	Yes	Hungary (Magyarország)
6	Law on Aid for the Activities of Start-up Companies	Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia	Partner	No	Latvia (Latvija)

Overview pilot actions

Number 1	Title	Policy instrument(s) concerned	Semesters

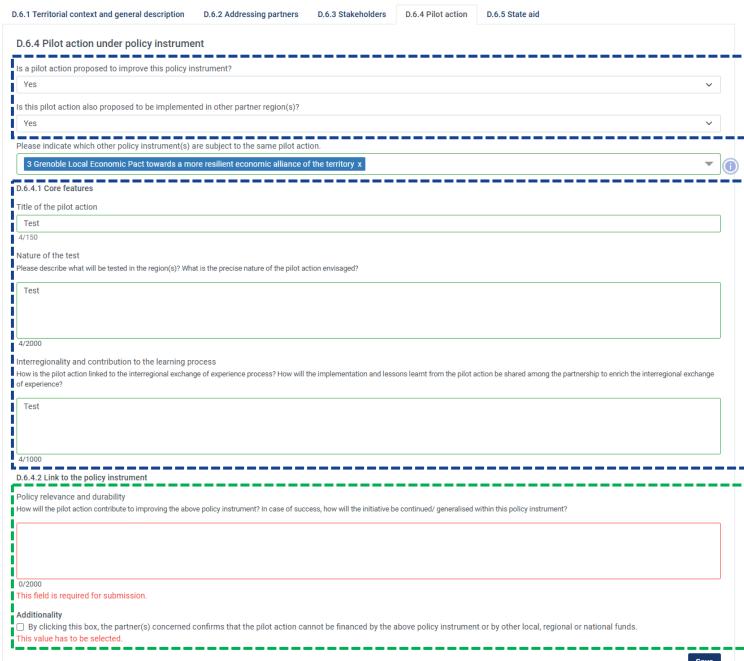
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F.3 - Equipment	
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#### Semester 6 (Core phase)

Describe the planned activities related to the exchange of experience process at interregional and regional (stakeholders) levels. Please be as specific as possible with details on the main features of these activities (e.g., type of meeting, topic tackled, duration, location/host).

#### Exchange of experience

Within this last semester of the project core period, the partners and stakeholders will keep digital exchanges while they will be incorporating improvement in their Policy Instrument, and meet face-toface to exchang outcomes (see "Communication" below).

The transnational interactions will consist in P2P (Peer to Peer) revisions of the Plans, through videoconferences and exchanges of documents, where owner of GP being transferred will revise how the partner is adapting and incorporating improvements, particularly to identify potential risks and needs.

In parallel, the sixth round of Stakeholders Groups meeting will take place in each region to validate improvmeents and the eventual commitments of each part.

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#### Communication

During this semester, in addition to the usual activities as described in the previous semesters (updates of the website, social media, press notes, e-newsletter nr. 6), the partners will edit 2 videos (Videos 5, covering the last E&L visits and 6, summarizing the whole core activities and explaining what policies have been improved, how, what were the sources of inspiration, etc.).

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#### Management

Ongoing management activities to ensure smooth implementation and reporting of the project

N° of interregional policy learning events organised

N° of good practices identified

N° of pilot actions developed jointly and implemented in projects

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#### Semester 7 (Follow-up phase)

Describe the planned activities dedicated to monitoring of the main phase results as well as to the exchange of experience (if applicable). Please be as specific as possible with details on the main features of these activities (e.g., type of meeting, topic tackled, duration, location/host).

Monitoring results of main phase and, if applicable, exchange of experience

As stated, the partners will have set indicators, milestones and calendar to efficiently follow-up and monitor the implementation of the improvements of the Policy Instruments and effective application of the knowledge gained through the creation of new services and changes in the management of the partners' instrument, new projects to be financed or supported and/or the overall revisions of the instruments themselves.

A monitoring tool/table will be used to collect homogeneous information adapted to each partner needs, and the results will be shared with the stakeholders and among the partners, through a SC meeting per Semester (place to be agreed on due time, taking into account as well the overall European agenda).

For such purpose, the partners plan to keep an active involvement of the stakeholders in the monitoring and evaluation process, as they are key collaborators and beneficiaries. In that sense, local/regional stakeholders meetings will take place on a 3 months basis (twice per semester).

Each partner will be responsible of the adoption of corrective measures in case of major deviation or difficulties.

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#### Communication

Within the follow-up phase, partners will keep communication activities, in this case to showcase the successful implementation of the changes and first results/impacts.

SERN will coordinate the efforts to make sure that all partners contribute to the activities in order to keep on updating the website once per month, and in order to edit e-newsletter nr. 7.

The average of posts per partner should be reduced to 1 post/partner/Social Media/MONTH as there won't be E&L activities.

Each partner should distribute at least 1 press note

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#### Management

Ongoing management activities to ensure smooth implementation and reporting of the project

N° of interregional policy learning events organised



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### Final recommendations

- Apply only if idea is mature enough
- Be as specific as possible
- Plan a reasonable budget (only 1 year implementation)
- Do not wait until last minute to open the request for changes
- Contact your PO + FO in case of questions 1 feedback per pilot idea (Annex 2 midterm guide)

### Video



# Info about the pilot actions' call

The programme

Look for funding

Approved projects

Policy solutions

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# Call for pilot actions

Only for Interreg Europe first call projects



Who can apply?

The call is an opportunity for Interreg Europe **first call projects** to request one or more pilot actions after their midterm review.

Deadline

Call related documents

Pilot actions can supplement the exchange of experience activities and help the project

partners improve their regional policies.

Submit your request

Have a look at the information below to prepare your request.

Our support

https://www.interregeurope.eu/call-for-pilot-actions

### Other useful links

- Terms of reference of the pilot actions' call
- Programme manual
- Implement your project FAQ

## **Upcoming thematic events**



#### 27 MAR 2025

Online

### Regional policies for early uptake of hydrogen mobility

The Policy Learning Platform will hold a webinar on regional policies for the early uptake of hydrogen mobility on 27 March 2025. Join us online!

By Platform



#### 28 MAR 2025

Online

# Online discussion: Female talent in STEM, industry and entrepreneurship

On 28 March 2025, the Policy Learning Platform is hosting an online discussion on female talent in STEM, industry and entrepreneurship. This event is by invitation only.

By Platform



#### 08 APR 2025

Online

#### Startups in the spotlight

On 8 April 2025, the Policy Learning Platform will host a webinar on festivals and pitching events to increase the attractiveness of local startup ecosystems for investors.

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#### 10 APR 2025

Online

### Expanding E-Mobility at the regional level

On 10 April 2025, the Policy Learning Platform will host an online workshop on expanding E-Mobility at the regional level. Join us online!

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