



Take the shortcut to smart regional solutions

The Interreg Europe Policy Learning Platform

What does the platform offer for you?

Thematic workshop – entrepreneurship and business creation
Sofia, 14 November 2018



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Europe**

European Union | European Regional Development Fund



Why a platform for interregional policy learning?



Strategic objective =
Capitalisation of project
achievements

In simple words...

How to get more out of the
invested funds for regions in
Europe

How?

- by bringing projects together
- by getting newcomers on board (i.e. managing authorities and regions not involved in the Interreg Europe projects)
- by offering ad-hoc support for interregional learning (i.e. without requiring project participation)

What is the Platform about?

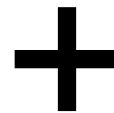


4 services for interregional learning



delivered through

Online portal



Team of experts



Meet the thematic experts



Research and innovation



SME competitiveness



Low-carbon economy



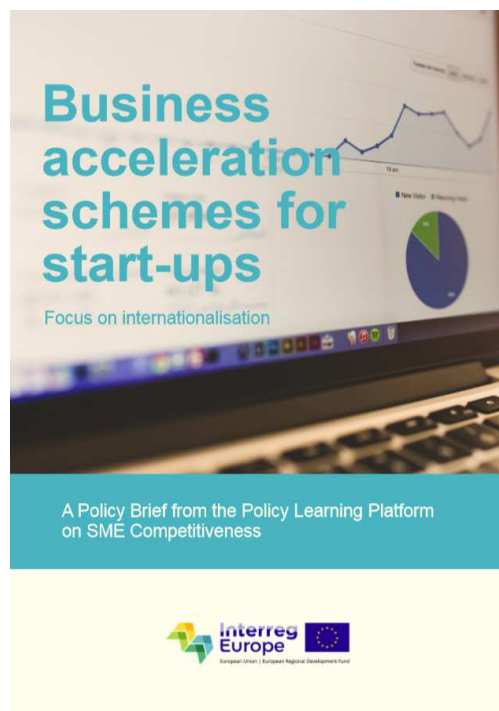
Environment and resource efficiency

Read, learn, benefit



Policy briefs

- The most recent expert analyses and insights into Interreg Europe projects



Keep informed



Online articles and news

- Latest news from the four thematic priorities
- Latest developments at European level



03/09/2018

Co-design Digital Innovation Hubs in New Member States

The European Commission organize a workshop to capitalize on the experiences made in Smart Factories in New EU Member States.

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Digital Transformation Scoreboard 2018: Are EU companies...

In July 2018, the European Commission published its Digital Transformation Scoreboard 2018.

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30/08/2018

Renewable Energy Communities

At its most basic, renewable energy communities involve generation of energy from renewable resources and technologies,...



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REScoop: Supporting renewable energy co-operatives across...

Europeans are increasingly taking energy production into their own hands.

Type: [Platform](#)



European Energy Efficiency Fund (EEEF)

24/08/2018

A number of barriers prevent the full potential of energy efficiency...

Type: [Platform](#)

Environment in the post-2020 Cohesion Policy

23/08/2018

Learn more about the new Multiannual Financial Framework...

Type: [Platform](#)

Interreg Europe Peer Review – Call for Input

21/08/2018

Team up with European peers to improve the performance of your...


Type: [Platform](#)


Mainstreaming environmental concerns in the Cohesion Policy


15/08/2018


Inspire and get inspired



 Research and innovation

 SME competitiveness

 Low-carbon economy

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Share your good practices

Are you the owner of an inspiring solution to improve regional policies?

[Submit a good practice](#)

<https://www.interregurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/>

Be active in the community



More than 15,000 members

- Thematic online discussions
- Thematic workshops for approved projects
- Networking events reaching out to newcomers



Get the support you need



Individual support serving your needs

- **Expert helpdesk**
ask the experts and receive policy advice
- **Targeted matchmakings**
get together with relevant partner regions
to share your challenges and good practices
- **Onsite peer reviews**
team up with other European regions
to get their feedback and recommendations



Your topics on the table



Targeted matchmaking sessions

- Small, thematically focused discussion format (4 – 8 participants)
- Possibility to share your policy challenges and solutions





**An example:
Policy matchmaking session on attracting SMEs to cross border
cooperation projects**

More about the matchmaking sessions organised during the EURegionsWeek:

<https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/news/4226/policy-learning-in-action-at-euregionsweek/>

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- A photograph of four people in a modern office environment. A man in a dark blue blazer and light blue shirt is smiling and looking at a laptop. A woman in a white sleeveless top is also smiling and looking at the laptop. A woman in a white long-sleeved shirt is looking at the laptop. A man in a white long-sleeved shirt is looking at the laptop. They are all smiling and appear to be in a collaborative meeting.
- ✓ Is your organisation responsible for the **implementation of local or regional development policies**, in particular the management of structural funds?
 - ✓ Would you like to team up with other European regions to **receive advice on how to best implement your policy or programme**?
- Express your interest for a peer review!**



Peer reviews: where do we stand?

- ✓ 1st call for interregional peer reviews closed
- ✓ 13 expressions of interests received – evaluation ongoing

✓ Next call for interregional peer reviews in 2019



PEER REVIEW

PILOT HAUT-DE-FRANCE

- ✓ **1st peer review successfully realised**
 - ✓ Energy efficiency in social housing
 - ✓ Six peers from five European regions
 - ✓ Short- and long-term recommendations

What did the hosts say?

Region Hauts-de-France



Expert support



*We should have a more **European approach** in the formulation of our **OP (Operational Programme)**. So far, we have only adopted a regional approach. **Looking at what others are doing is very beneficial** to us and helps us deciding what we should do and what we should avoid.*



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