



Getting *even more* from Interreg Europe

Introduction

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Aim

1. Find out what you consider to be the most interesting aspects of your projects
2. Consider how you can work together and what joint activities projects can organise
3. Get input for future policy learning platform activities



Instructions

1. We will divide into three groups to discuss these issues
2. Each group is to appoint a rapporteur who will keep note of discussions in the provided PowerPoint template
3. Moderator will guide the discussions and keep time
4. Each group should aim for around five points per slide
5. Rapporteur will report back to full group (5 minutes)
6. PLP experts will summarise where there are common ideas and plan future activities



Groups

One	Two	Three
Thorsten Kohlisch (PLP)	Laura Carniel (PLP)	Katharina Krell (PLP)
Verena Priem (IE)	Océane Elmajdoub (IE)	Charo Camacho (IE)
Andreea Rogozea (Social Green)	Gabriela-Ramona Nastase (Social Green)	Ryan Weber (Social Green)
Balazs Kiss (SET UP)	Helene Morin (SET UP)	Sara Robles (SET UP)
Nikola Petric (SUPPORT)	Dalibor Jovanovic (SUPPORT)	Javier Ordóñez (FINERPOL)
Aurelien Parsy (MOLOC)	Ianire Renobales (CLEAN)	Bartosz Dubinski (EMPOWER)
Zoltan Oletics (LOCARBO)	Sergio Gatteschi (REBUS)	Carla Pires (LOCARBO)
Tea Potocnik (ZEROCO2)	Zoltan Baros (SET-UP)	Mervi Pienimäki (ZEROCO2)
Chris Ashe (VIOLET)	Ioannis Vourdoubas (ZEROCO2)	Sara Banchi (REBUS)
Carlos Serra (BUILD2LC)	Crtomir Kurnik (BUILD2LC)	Georgios Angelakis (ZEROCO2)
Miriam Siciliano (REBUS)	Célia Correia (LOCARBO)	



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Group One



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What interesting project aspects were found?

- Lack of **capacity building to distribute funds** in some regions: under-spending issues (SOCIAL GREEN) while others manage to get enough projects thanks to criteria that aren't too hard (SET-UP, LOCARBO, SUPPORT)
- Share challenge of **raising awareness** among citizens about public authorities efforts on energy efficiency:
 - Good practice example of “The big switch off” project in Durham County Council by REBUS
 - LOCARBO: richer people are an unexpected important target group for energy savings
- Availability of **technological solutions** isn't an important issue but its **application** is complicated



How can projects work together?

- Share capacity building practices to better manage financial instruments
- Share ideas on raising awareness among citizens by eventually create a close discussion group



What can the PLP do for you?

- Smaller group of projects working/ exchanging further on the challenge of awareness-raising
- Possible formats: workshop, side-event, online webinar, online group, policy brief providing further analytical insights
- Analysis, categorisation and match-making of good practices/ solus related to the challenge of awareness-raising required



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Group Two



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What interesting project aspects were found?

- *Creation of revolving fund – switch from public to private*
- *Capacity building – to reach the target*
- *Reporting issues – general parameter*
- *Role of ESCOs to be better describe*
- *Governance – synergies between the different level*
- *Good cooperation within the project partners*



How can projects work together?

Topics

- *Share experience on common topics during events*
- *Share messages- external communication to other stakeholders*
- *Identified technological bricks to be implemented*
- *Develop link with other programs*

Tools

- Social media
- Policy learning platform
- Event
- Steering meeting
- Study visits



What can the PLP do for you?

- *Propose the good practices relevant to other projects*
- *Organise another event on a specific topic*
- *Support in how to involve politicians*
- *Expert support chat box (expert support PLP online)*



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Group Three



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What interesting project aspects were found?

SOCIAL GREEN, SET-UP, VIOLET, ZERO CO₂, FINERPOL in the group

- *High interest in financing schemes (SOCIAL GREEN and FINERPOL)*
- *Monitoring of the actions (CLEAN – MOLOC)*
- *Capacity building and “make energy more attractive” (LOCARBO)*



How can projects work together?

- *JOINT events (e.g. SOCIAL GREEN and FINERPOL)*
- *Invite other projects to your meeting*

- *Think of new ways to put different Department / DG together at EU / National / regional level*
- *Green growth could be horizontal?*



What can the PLP do for you?

- *PLP could organise a thematic event on FINANCING SCHEMES (need to train the MAs and the partners on the topic) or support with dissemination activities the projects that are organising an event*
- *Online consultation could be open on request (e.g. VIOLET needs more GPs on the energy and historical topic)*
- *Call for Experts could be launched to organise Peer to Peer groups (e.g. 2 days in the GP owner territory)*