

Europe, let's cooperate!

The 9th interregional cooperation forum

15 March 2023, Annexet, Stockholm (Sweden)

About

Europe, let's cooperate! – it is an event where cooperation starts. During this inspiring day participants will learn how they can benefit from interregional cooperation and get inspiration from institutions and regions that already have experience from implementing projects. This will be an opportunity to network, present ideas for future cooperation projects, get inspired by the ideas of others and start building new partnerships and projects.

Aims and objectives

The aim of the event is to present the cooperation opportunities Interreg Europe offers to potential beneficiaries. The event is open for public participation, aiming to bring together participants representing national, regional and local policymakers and other relevant stakeholders from EU regions, representatives from the European Commission and other European institutions and networks. The focus will be on launching the second call for project proposals in the 2021-2027 programming period. During the 2021-2027 period, Interreg Europe will distribute EUR 334m from the European Regional Development Fund to co-finance interregional cooperation projects. The event will also showcase successes and achievements of Interreg Europe programme and interregional cooperation.

The event combines four elements:

- Presenting the Interreg Europe 2021-2027 and launching the second call for proposals.
- Enabling exchange and networking on project ideas and finding project partners
- Offering an opportunity to participants to discuss their questions and project ideas directly with the joint secretariat
- Introducing ways to get involved in cooperation and benefit from the services of the Interreg Europe Policy Learning Platform

Topics



Agenda

9:30-10:00	<i>Registration and welcome coffee</i>	
10:00-11:00	Interregional cooperation and EU priorities Opening session of the ninth edition of 'Europe, let's cooperate!' with high-level speakers discussing the contribution of interregional cooperation to implementation of EU cohesion policy.	
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30-12:30	Cooperation in action: get your application ready for the second call! Presentation of the details of the second call for project proposals of Interreg Europe in 2021-2027 with tips and advice for applicants and time for Q&A.	
12:30-14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>	
14:00-17:00	Networking and inspiration for project preparation The afternoon offers opportunities to discuss project ideas with the representatives of the joint secretariat and network with other participants to build partnerships for projects. There will also be possibilities to draw inspiration from the previously co-financed interregional cooperation projects and meet experts of the policy learning platform and get information about the policy-learning services offered by the Platform.	
	Interreg Europe corner	Get answers and discuss your questions at the Interreg Europe corner, where you can meet representatives of the joint secretariat and the Policy Learning Platform.
	Country corners	Meet points of contact from different countries and discuss country-specific issues and your questions.
	Networking zone	Join or host a networking session in the networking zone to share project ideas and find project partners. Book a space for a networking discussion and propose a topic of your choice or participate in the talks hosted by other participants.
	Meetings with the joint secretariat	Book 1:1 meeting to discuss your questions or project idea with representatives of the Interreg Europe joint secretariat in a 30-min individual discussion.
	Study visits	Draw inspiration from a visit to interesting sites and discover good practices in and around Stockholm. (Note: study visits take the full afternoon. Pre-reservation required due to limited capacity.)
17:00-17:30	Next steps towards new interregional cooperation projects Closing session of the interregional cooperation forum with key highlights and final tips for project preparation, as well as information on upcoming events and assistance provided to project applicants during the call.	
17:30-19:00	<i>Closing cocktail</i>	