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# Smart Villages

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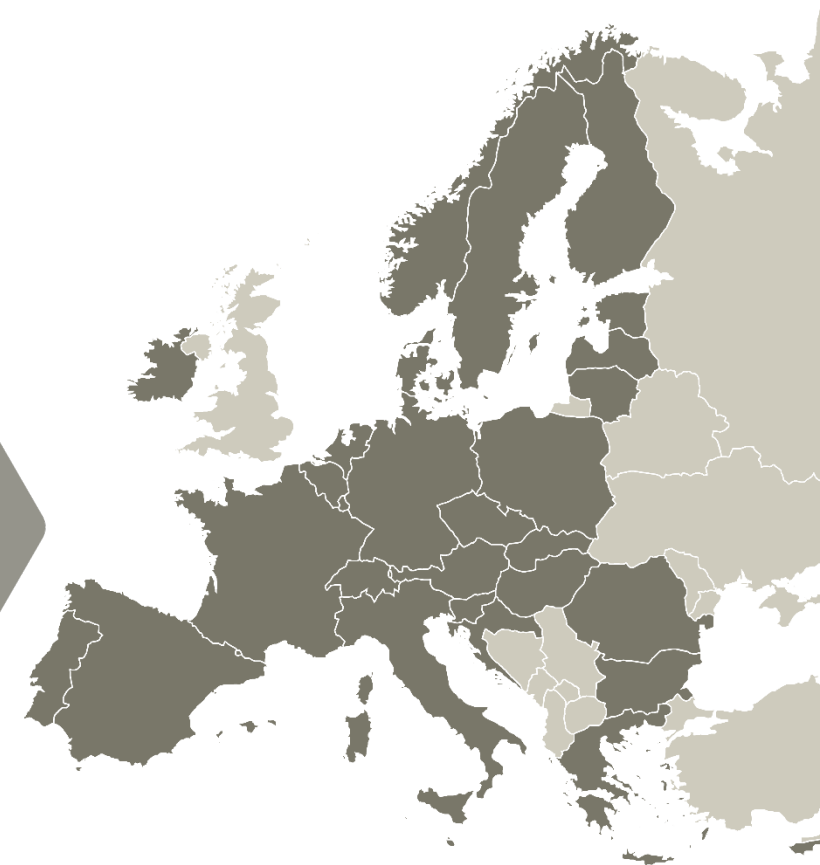


# Sharing solutions for better regional policy

€  
**379m**  
PROGRAMME  
BUDGET

**6**  
TOPICS

**29**  
COUNTRIES  
INVOLVED



# Interreg Europe **objective**

To improve **regional development policies** (including Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes)

## **How?**

Through exchange of experience, innovative approaches and **capacity building** (in relation to the identification & transfer of good practices)

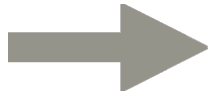
- Primarily dedicated to **policymakers**
- Focus on **exchange of experience**

# Two actions



## Projects

Limited number of regions exchanging and transferring practices on a shared regional development issue



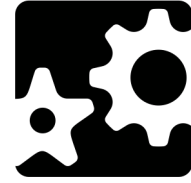
**First Call** closed on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022: 134 applications received



## Policy Learning Platform

Further exploiting projects' achievements and opening up the programme benefits to all

# Platform in a nutshell

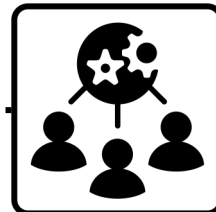


Provides **continuous policy-learning** opportunities  
through access to:

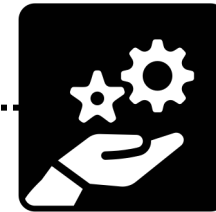
**Knowledge**



**People**



**Expert support**



#policylearning

# Access to **knowledge**



- Wealth of policy solutions available



Database of **good practices** from all EU



Analytical **policy briefs**, news and publications

# Access to **people**



- Policy inspiration from practitioner to practitioner



Community of 25,000+  
**practitioners**



Networking and  
**policy-learning** events

# Peer learning in practice



Expert support services for free

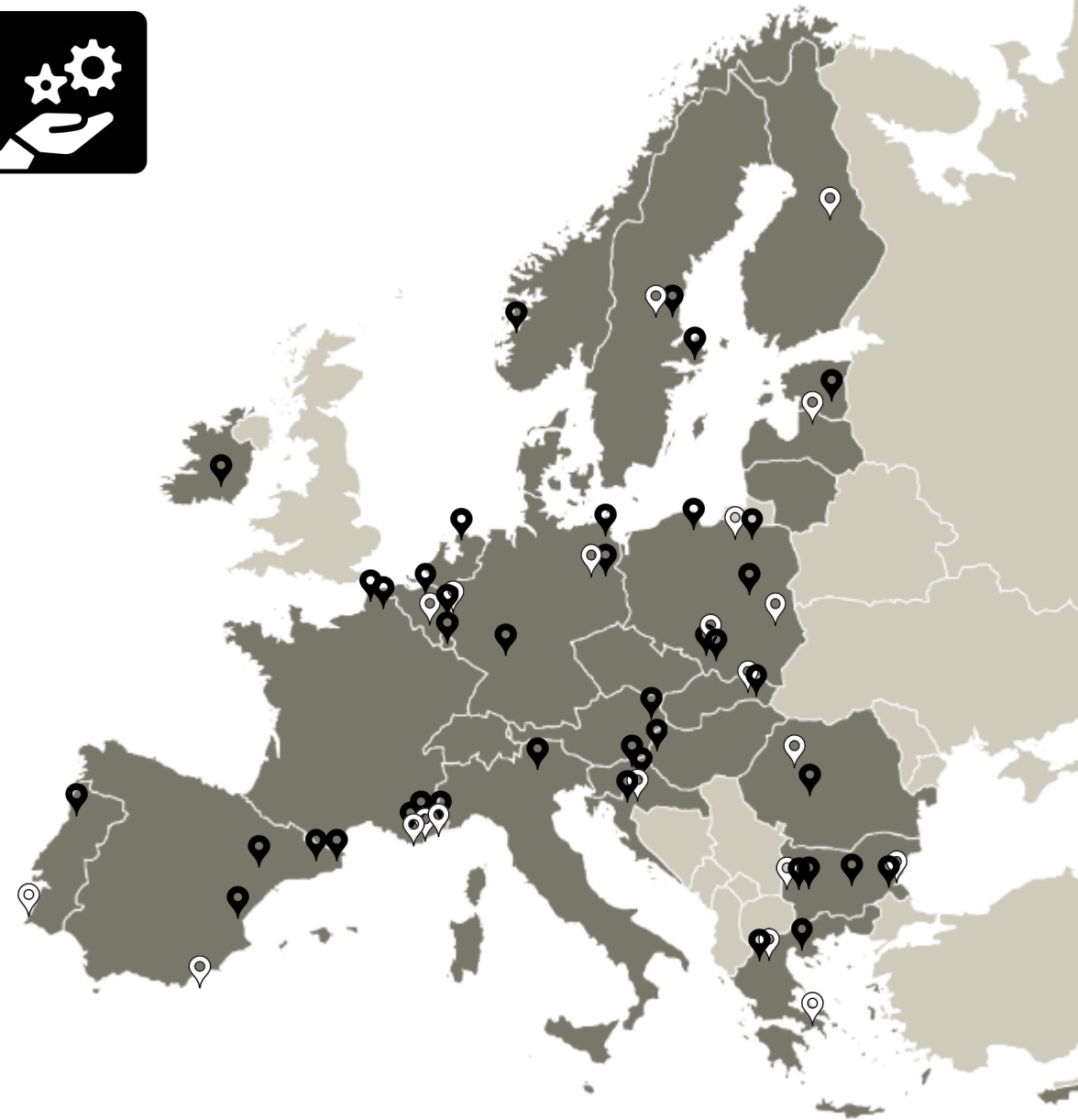
📍 38 peer reviews implemented  
3 peer reviews in the pipeline

📍 21 matchmaking sessions  
1 matchmaking in the pipeline

... and policy helpdesks

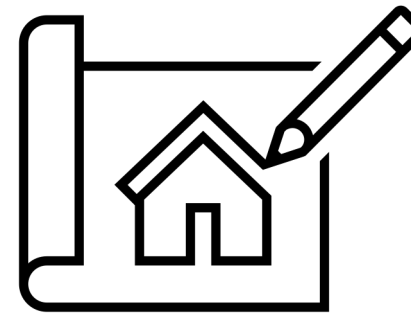
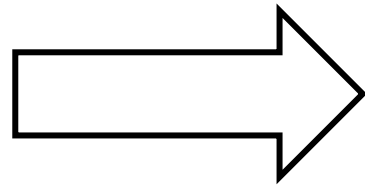
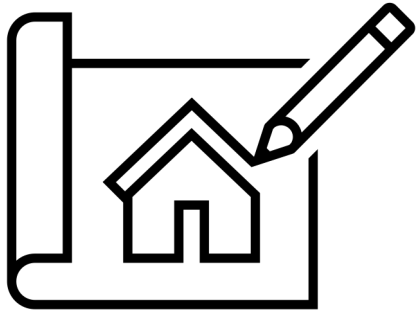
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# From Villages to Smart Villages

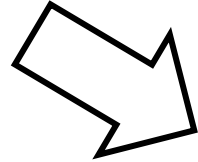


To revitalise rural services through **digital and social innovation**

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) tools and community-led actions and project

# The Policy Learning Platform can help

Good practices

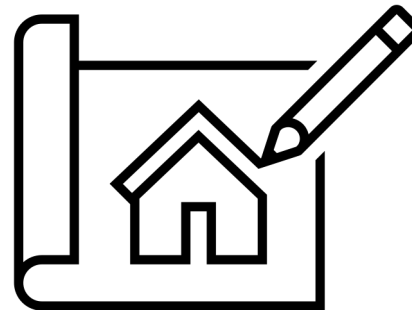


- Spaces for innovation ([online discussion](#))
- Digitalisation strategy in Krapina-Zagorje County, Croatia ([peer review](#))

- Capacity-building for local policymakers ([peer review](#))



- Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI) and Community led local development (CLLD) ([Story](#))



- Local agri-food value chains ([webinar](#))



- Sustainable transport modes in rural areas ([policy brief](#))



- To boost community resilience by small scale funding ([peer review](#))

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