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Strategic and Participatory Foresight

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Strategic and Participatory Foresight: our speakers

Latest policy insights on:

Strategic foresight

Katerina Ciampi Stancova
OECD Trento Centre for Local Development, Italy.

Participatory foresight

Cristian Matti
European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC), Sevilla, Spain.

Future Key Skills and Competences for I4.0 (SMARTY)

Andreja Hlišč
Chamber of commerce and industry of Slovenia.

Simona Vernon
TECOS, Slovenia.

Transition Labs

Regional Council of Ostrobothnia

Johanna Dahl
Regional Council of Ostrobothnia, Finland.

Sharing solutions for better regional policy

€ 384m
PROGRAMME BUDGET

6
TOPICS

36
COUNTRIES INVOLVED

7 new countries!

SMART

GREEN

CONNECTED

SOCIAL

CITIZENS

GOVERNANCE

Interreg Europe **objective**

To improve regional development policy instruments
(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**

→ Different from cross-border or transnational cooperation

Two **actions**

Projects

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

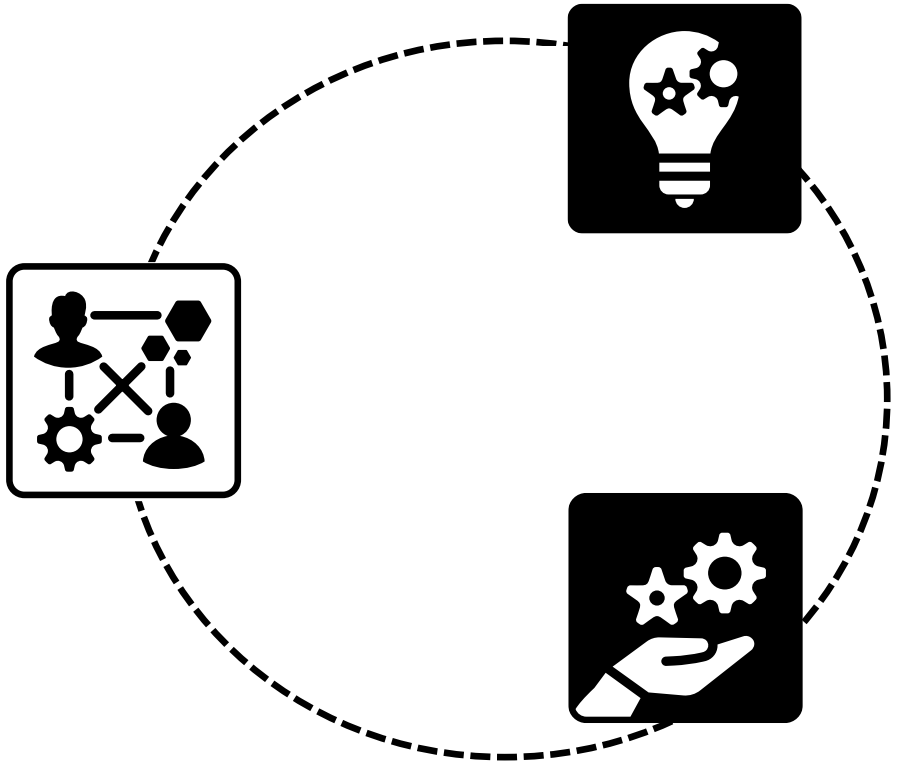
→ **Third call is closing on 7 June 2024**

Policy Learning Platform

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

The Platform in a nutshell

Policy-learning opportunities through **access** to:



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The Policy Learning Platform can help

SMART

Good Practice

Roadmap for the regional agenda of sustainable materials for Asturias (S3CHEM)

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Policy Brief

Regional Missions

SMART

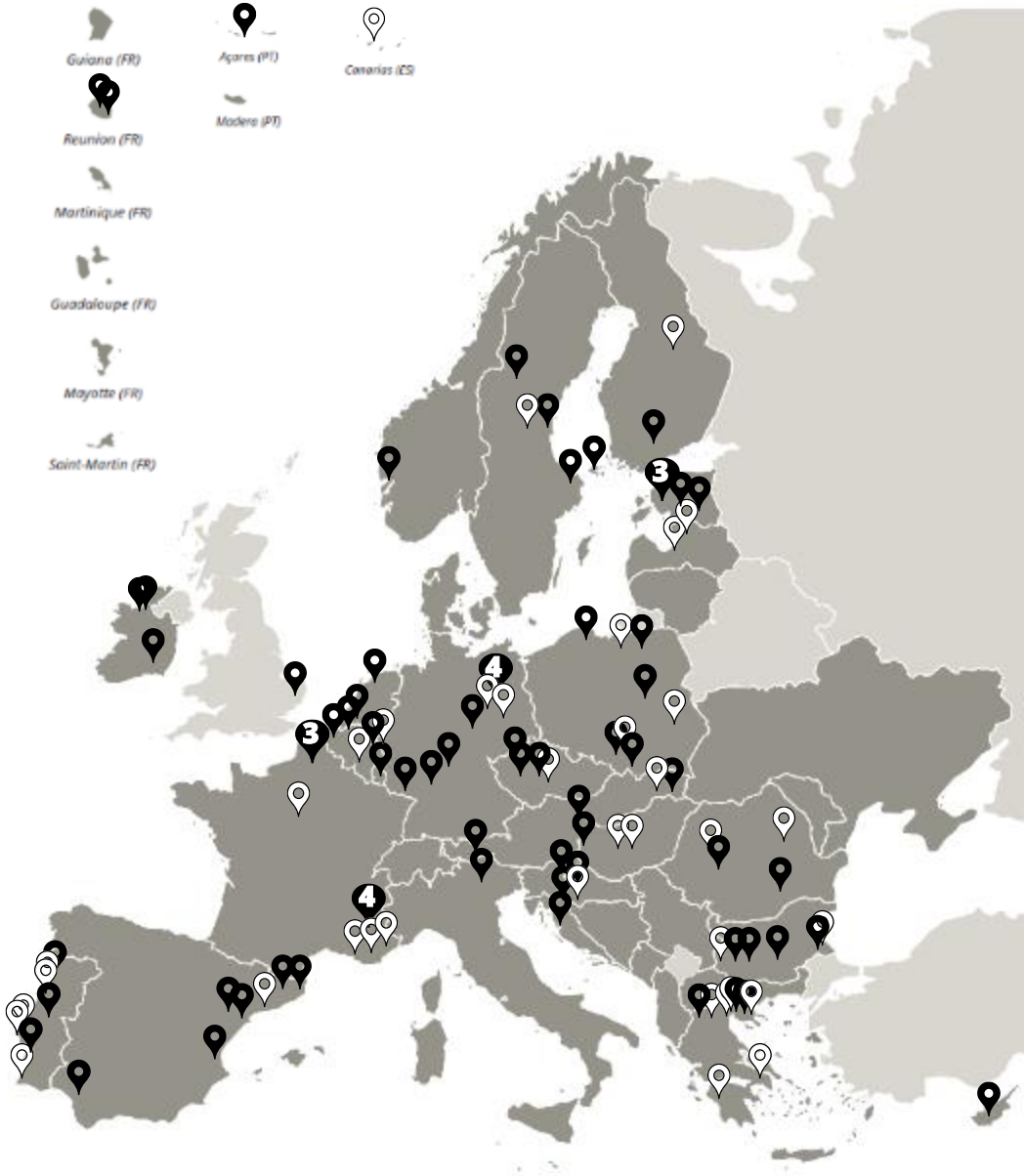
Peer Review

Challenge-driven innovation policies to promote university-industry collaboration for the Autonomous Region of the Azores, Portugal

Peer learning **IN PRACTICE**

- **75 peer reviews** implemented since 2019
  8 peer reviews in the pipeline

- **44 matchmaking** sessions



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Strategic and Participatory Foresight

- **Strategic foresight** is the practice of exploring, predicting, and shaping the future. It uses methods like horizon scanning, which looks at big trends and new issues and their potential impact on policies, and scenario planning, which imagines different future possibilities. These techniques help make informed and strategic political decisions (**European Commission**).

- **At the regional level, strategic foresight can be combined with participatory approaches to address place-based societal challenges.** Participatory foresight engages stakeholders, including the public, in shaping future scenarios collaboratively, aiming to democratise decision-making and foster long-term thinking for informed collective action.

Competence Centre on Foresight

The European Commission launched the Competence Centre on Foresight to support EU policy making foster a strategic, future-oriented and anticipatory culture in the EU policymaking process.

Horizon Scanning

Helps identify emerging issues, weak signals of change and events that could lead to changes in behaviour, strategy or policy.

Digital Transition Toolkit

Toolkit for policymakers to facilitate strategic conversations on the implications of digital transition for farmers and rural communities.

The Megatrends Hub

Megatrends are long-term driving forces that are observable now and will most likely have significant influence on the future.

The Scenario Exploration System (SES)

Teaching and simulation tool to experience your possible paths towards the future, in relation to a certain topic.

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