

Horizontal meeting on International Cooperation

RIS3 Support to Lagging Regions 2 project

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Lagging Regions: Main objectives

MAIN AIM:

Support the refinement and implementation of the RIS3 of selected EU regions

Low-growth regions

GDP/capita below EU average

Less developed regions
GDP/capita <50% of EU average

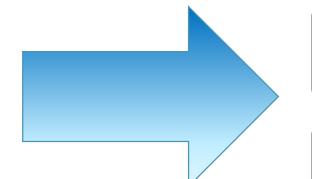
Greece, Italy, Portugal Spain

Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Poland, Romania

Develop and provide appropriate and specific support to selected regions in RIS3 implementation

Develop and implement horizontal approaches to key issues in the growth and governance of RIS3

Help meet the 2021-7 enabling condition of good governance of smart specialisation strategy with 7 fulfilment criteria



Generate lessons and a model for other regions

Test-bed for theories on S3 and for understanding RIS3



Geographical Coverage

	Lagging Regions I (2016-18)	Lagging Regions II (2018-20)
BG	Severen Tsentralen	national level
HR		national level
EL	Eastern Macedonia & Thrace (since 2014), roll-out	Central Macedonia, Western Greece, national level
HU	Észak-Alföld (Hajdú Bihar county)	national level
IT	Puglia	Puglia & Campania
PL	Warminsko Mazurskie	Kujawsko-Pomorskie, Lubuskie, Podlaskie
PT	Centro	Centro, national level (HESS)
ES	Extremadura	Extremadura, Andalucia, national/regional linkages
RO	Nord-Est, Nord-Vest	Rollout to all 8 regions, national level



Specific vs. Horizontal Support

Specific Support:

- Specifically tailored to the needs of the region/country
- Centred on stakeholder engagement defined in collaboration with the local government authorities and REGIO

Horizontal:

- Peer- and mutual-learning
- Workshops involving representatives from all the regions of the project
- Foci: RIS3 Monitoring and Evaluation, Governance, Collaboration, Transitions

Collaboration and engagement:

JRC, REGIO, independent experts, local stakeholders (quadruple helix).



Enabling condition Policy Objective 1: Good governance of S3 – 7 fulfilment criteria

- 1. Up-to-date analysis of bottlenecks for innovation diffusion, including digitalisation
- 2. Existence of competent regional/national institution or body, responsible for the management of the smart specialisation strategy
- 3. Monitoring and evaluation tools to measure performance towards the objectives of the strategy
- 4. Effective functioning of entrepreneurial discovery process
- 5. Actions necessary to improve national or regional research and innovation systems
- 6. Actions to manage industrial transition
- 7. Measures for international collaboration
- + Crosscutting concern: enhancing administrative capacity building and cooperation

Why are we here today?

AIMS OF THE ACTIVITY

- To explore and support the role of interregional collaboration in the implementation of RIS3
- To explore engagement in interregional partnerships, networks and platforms - in terms of: R&I system similarities, geographical proximity or common S3 priorities
- To explore relevant S3 governance arrangements and policy instruments to support and enhance interregional cooperation
- To identify and enhance capabilities to use ERDF to support internationalisation of the R&I ecosystem

AIMS OF THE DAY

- To share experiences on cooperation relevant to S3 implementation
- Foster a debate on key issues for cooperation: motivations, mechanisms, governance
- Key issues for next workshop



Components of the horizontal activity

Analysis of current status of and key issues in interregional cooperation

3 mutual learning workshops

Final report summarising the activities developed with the main lessons learnt and policy implications



Workshop Agenda

First outcomes from expert study: "working hypotheses"

Cross-border cooperation

Extremadura - Centro

Galicia - Norte



- Challenges and opportunities
- Similarities or differences
- Institutional frameworks

Transnational cooperation

Bridges GoSmart Beyond EDP



- ESIF programmes and calls
- Sustainability



Next workshops: proposals for dates

Mid – End April

- Next practical steps in developing collaboration and issues emerging
- Suggestions …?

First half of June

Conclusions? The way ahead?



Thank you

http://s3platform.jrc.ec.europa.eu/ris3-in-lagging-regions

