



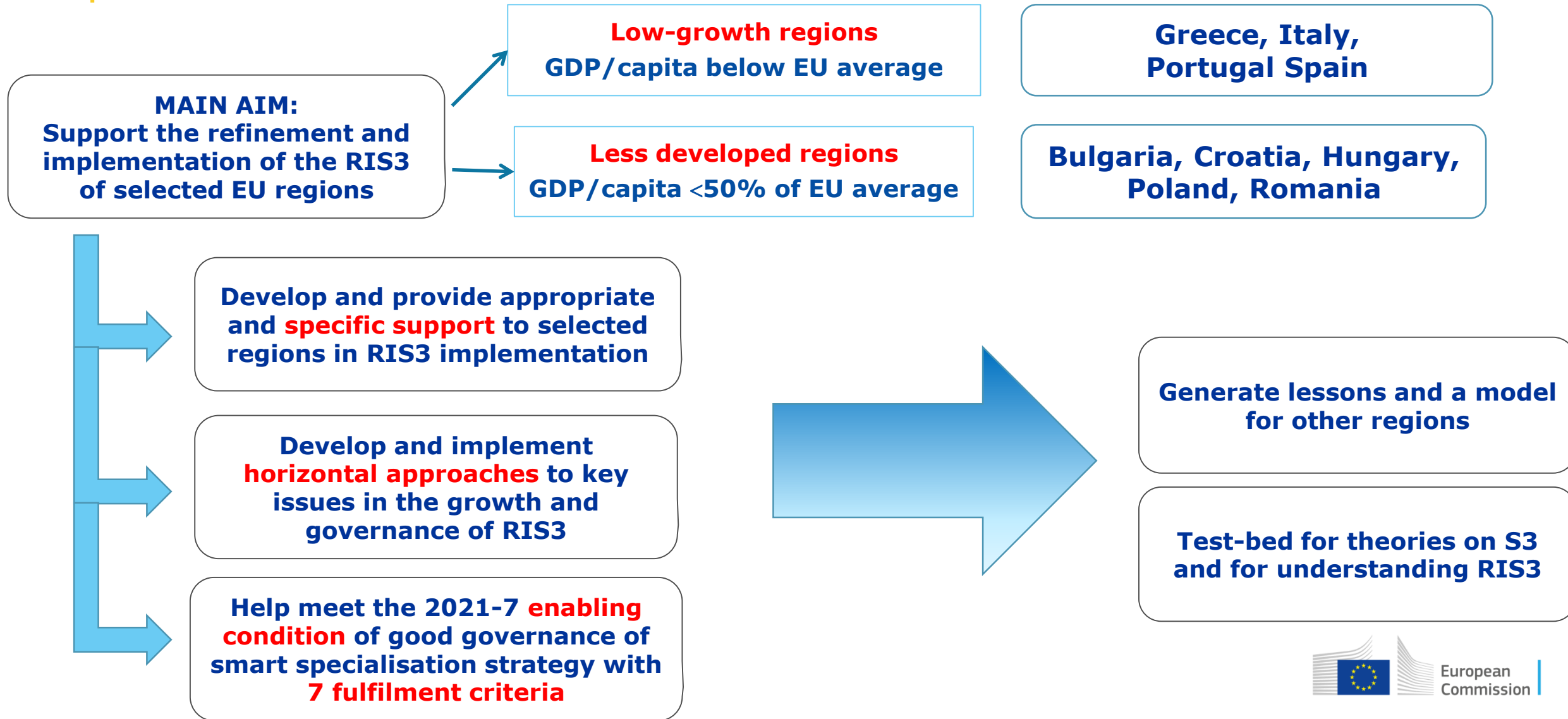
Horizontal meeting on International Cooperation

RIS3 Support to Lagging Regions 2 project

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Lagging Regions: Main objectives



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

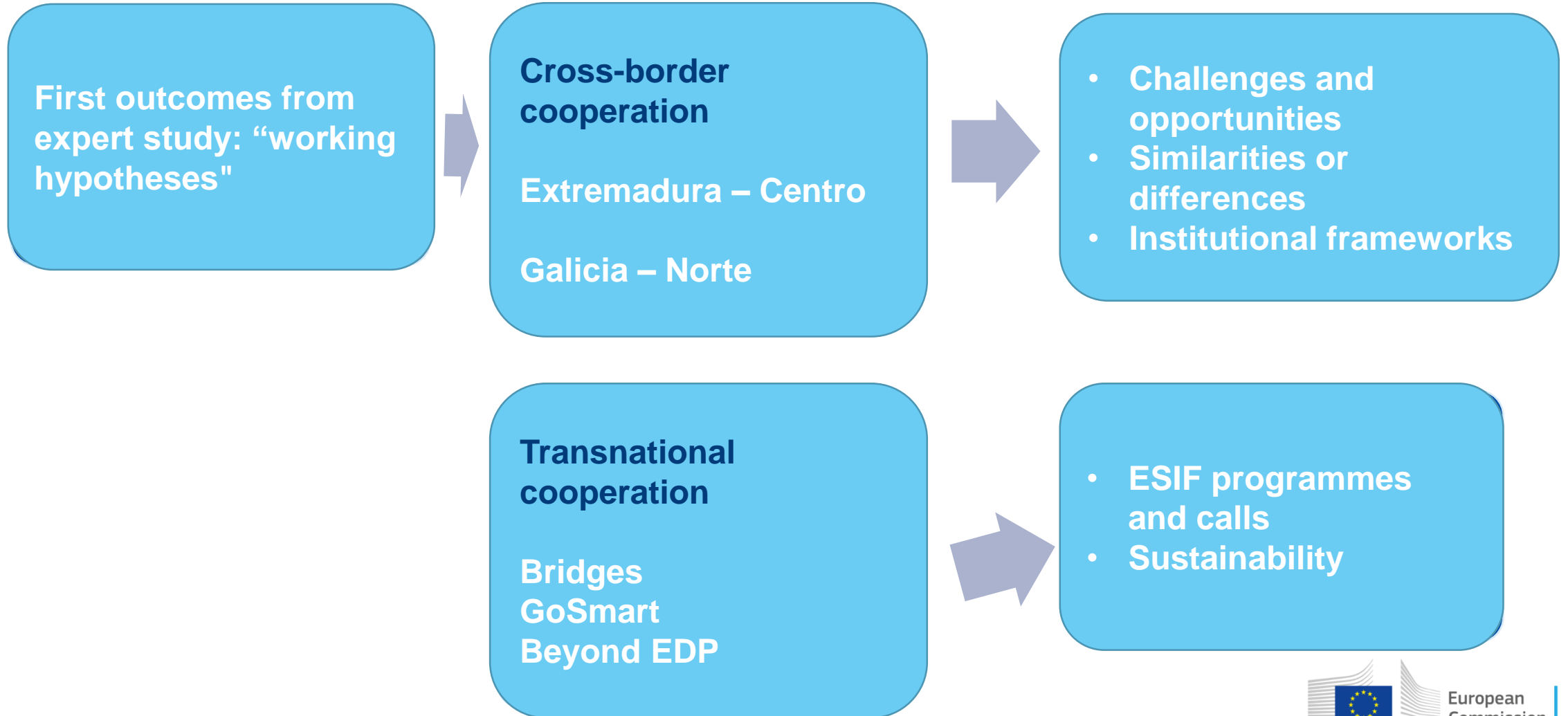
Components of the horizontal activity

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



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>