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1. Euroregion: some facts and figures

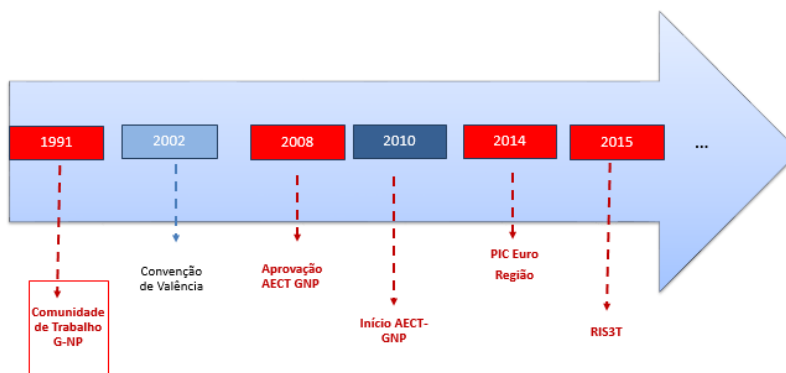


- Located in the north-west of the Iberian Peninsula, near the Atlantic.
- 12 NUTS III, 4 in Galicia and 8 in Portugal:
 - Galicia: A Coruña, Lugo, Ourense and Pontevedra.
 - Norte : Alto – Minho, Ave, Cávado, Área Metropolitana do Porto, Alto Tâmega, Tâmega e Sousa, Douro, and Terras de Trás – os – Montes.

General data on the Euroregion Galicia – Norte de Portugal	Galicia	Norte Portugal	Euroregion
Total Area (Km2)	29.574,8	21.285,9	50.860,7
Currency	Euro	Euro	Euro
Time Zone	GMT+1	GMT	NA
Population (2017)	2.708.339	3.584.575	6.292.914
Official languages	Galego / Castelhana	Português / Mirandês	NA
Population density (people/Km2)	91,6	168,4	260,0
Mean age (2018)	47,5 years	44,8 years	46 years
Life expectancy at birth (2017)	83,3 years	81,1 years	82,02 years
Unemployment rate (2018)	13,3%	7,3%	9,7%
Activity rate (2018)	53,3%	59,1%	56,5%
Youth unemployment rate (15 to 24 years) (2018)	32,5%	19,0%	22,9%
Early school drop-out rate (2018)	14,3%	10,1%	
% individuals aged 30-34 with higher education (2018)	46,1%	32,8%	
% Micro-enterprises (less than 10 employees) (2016)	96,7%	82,5%	
GDPmp 2017 (Million €)	60.568	57.241	117.809
Imports 2018 (Million €)	19.058	17.270	36.328
Exports 2018 (Million €)	22.863	22.688	45.551
Trade Balance 2018 (Million €)	3.805	5.418	9.223
% of homes with access to broadband (2018)	82,1%	76,9%	

Source: own calculations using data from IGE, INE, Eurostat and RIS3 Galiza.

1. Euroregion: some facts and figures



2. RIS3T Vision and Strategic Collaboration

Shared Vision

Converging with the most developed regions of the European Union based on the commitment to R & D & I

Objective

Establish a collaborative framework based on Smart specialisation to provide a coordinated response to common challenges, mobilize new initiatives and projects and initiate joint R & D & i funding pathways

2. RIS3T Vision and Strategic Collaboration

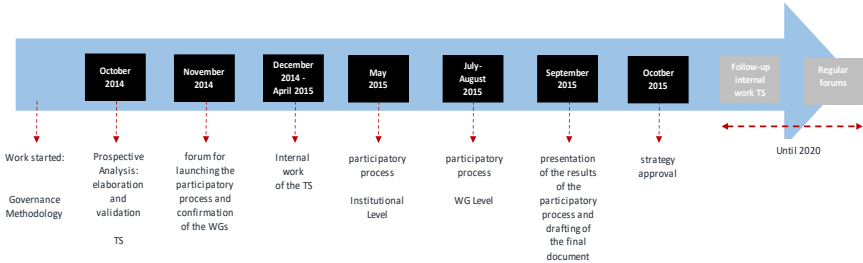
- **Smart specialisation as a strategic aim** to boost economic development through more efficient and effective support for R&I, taking into account regions' specific **characteristics and assets**.
- **Interregional collaboration as a central issue**: competitiveness based on the **increasing density of international relations**, both in terms of knowledge generation and of economic integration at global level.
- **A coordinated approach**, contributing to:
 - Higher critical mass levels based on synergies and complementarities of innovation at the global value chain level;
 - Better use of different sources of funding and reinforcement of their complementarity (mainly at Regional Operational Programmes);
 - Raise funds based on the competitive excellence of the Euroregion (e.g. H2020).

3. RIS3T Methodological Approach

Developing stages of RIS3T	
1. Analysis	Based on individual in-depth diagnosis of the regions of Galicia and Norte de Portugal, joint documents (PIC and POCTEP 2014-2020) and contributions from regional teams and key players .
2. Governance	Setting up a governance model for the definition of the joint strategy, based on the structures already presented in regional RIS3, that will include the following bodies: Steering Committee, Technical Team, Working Groups and RIS3T Forums .
3. Vision	Build a global vision for the future of the Euroregion based on the joint analysis carried out in stage 1.
4. Selection of Strategic Areas of Collaboration	Select common areas within the framework of individual RIS3 strategies (and deepening of common topics) in order to identify priority actions.
5. Common Actions and Support Measures	Setting out common measures that can be carried out jointly by both regions to achieve the vision, using different kinds of funding available at European level (Territorial Cooperation Programs, Horizon 2020, Cosme, Life, etc.)
6. Monitoring and Evaluation	Definition of common indicators for monitoring and evaluation of the Strategy

3. RIS3T Methodological Approach

Main Developing stages of RIS3T



Caption:
TS - Technical Secretariat: managing team composed by CCDRN and GAIN
WG - Working Group

4. RIS3T Vision and Strategic Collaboration Areas

Matrix of synergies between Galicia – Norte de Portugal RIS3 priorities

Potential Links			RIS 3 NORTE de Portugal							
			Life and Health Sciences	Marine Resources and Economy	Culture, Creation and Fashion	Advanced Production Systems	Mobility and Environmental Industries	Agri-environmental and Agri-food Systems	Symbolic Capital Technologies and Tourism Services	Human Capital Capital and Specialised Services
RIS3 GALICIA	CHALLENGE1: New model for innovative management of natural and cultural resources based on innovation	P.1.1. Valorization-Sea								
		P.1.2. Aquaculture								
		P.1.3. Biomass and Marine Energies								
		P.1.4. Primary Sectors Modernisation								
		P.1.5. ICT- Tourism								
	CHALLENGE2: New industrial model based on competitiveness and knowledge	P.2.1. Diversification of driving sectors								
		P.2.2. Competitiveness in the industrial sector								
		P.2.3. Knowledge Economy								
	CHALLENGE3: New healthy lifestyle model based on active ageing of population	P.3.1. Active Ageing								
		P.3.2. Food and nutrition								

Caption: HIGH MEDIUM LOW NOT SIGNIFICANT

4. RIS3T Vision and Strategic Collaboration Areas

<i>RIS3T Strategic Collaboration Areas</i>
<i>1. Marine and biomass energy</i>
<i>2. Agri - bio, food industry</i>
<i>3. Processing industry (manufacturing – Industry 4.0)</i>
<i>4. Mobility Industry</i>
<i>5. Creative industries, ICT and Tourism</i>
<i>6. Health – active ageing</i>

5. Management and Evaluation Mechanisms



6. Financing Programs for joint R & D & i projects

Main Programmes	
CROSS BORDER COOPERATION	<i>INTERREG V A SPAIN-PORTUGAL (POCTEP) 2014-2020</i>
TRANSNATIONAL COOPERATION	<i>INTERREG ATLANTIC AREA 2014-2020 INTERREG SUDOE 2014-2020</i>
INTERREGIONAL COOPERATION	<i>INTERREG EUROPE 2014-2020</i>
RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PROGRAMMES	<i>HORIZON 2020</i>

7. RIS3T implementation

Initiatives already carried out	
RIS3T Dissemination	<i>Participation in RIS3T dissemination sessions with entities from business and scientific and technological system of the Euroregion.</i>
Participation in international networks	<i>Participation in international networks of Smart specialisation Strategies, notably in the S3 Platform promoted by the EC and the Vanguard Initiative - New growth through smart specialisation involving 30 European regions</i>
INTERREG EUROPE 2014-2020	<i>Participation in the interregional cooperation project MONITORIS3. This project seeks to exchange experiences at the level of monitoring mechanisms and policy development methodologies in the implementation of RIS3.</i>
INTERREG V A Spain - Portugal	<i>Participation in the cross-border cooperation project IMPACT RIS3T. This project aims to implement cooperation actions at the cross - border RIS3 level Galicia - Norte de Portugal (RIS3T).</i>

7. RIS3T implementation

Ongoing RIS3T implementation initiatives	
Operationalization of the RIS3T Governance Model	<i>Setting up the Steering Committee and the Management Team; establishment of working groups; development of collaborative tools.</i>
Implementation of the RIS3T Monitoring System	<i>Establishment of the R & D & I observatory at the Euroregion level for the monitoring of RIS3T.</i>
RIS3T Promotion	<i>RIS3T dissemination initiatives; institutional capacity building of stakeholders; R & D & I support services at Euroregion level.</i>

Concluding remarks | Major challenges

- **New process:** requiring new ways of articulation between regions and stakeholders - need of maturation and of an increasing density of relations;
- **Institutional difficulties:** institutional instability, lack of critical masses of skills/resources;
- **Impact:** need to strengthen results, linking INTERREG programmes with Regional ones - capitalization.



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