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OBJECTIVE 3 Territorial Cooperation

The European Territorial Cooperation Programmes are EU funded programmes supporting transnational cooperation projects in geographically defined areas of EU and neighbouring countries.

Their general aim is to foster territorial development and cohesion by facilitating innovation and entrepreneurship, protect and improve the environment, improve the accessibility and connectivity, and support sustainable urban development by contributing to the balanced and polycentric spatial development of the territories.

Transnational Focus of Projects to be Funded

Projects applying for the programme funding need to have a clear transnational focus. Projects shall address themes that exceed local problems or needs and are not relevant to a single region or state alone, but rather focus on problems or needs demanding wider territorial scope and joint solutions or actions. Projects should focus on the relevant goals and objectives in the context of the respective transnational cooperation programme.

Financing and Co-Funding rates

All the programmes are jointly financed by the European Union, by the Member States and the Non- Member States. The EU finances the programme activities through the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) for partners from EU – Member States and the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA) for countries with Pre-Accession status.

Slovenian project partners are eligible for co-financing by ERDF funds at the following co – funding rates:

Alpine Space – 75%

Central Europe – 85%

South East Europe – 85%

Mediterranean – 85%

Slovenian project partners are eligible for additional national co-funding*. The ERDF and national co-funding rate cannot exceed 95% of the project partners' budget in a particular project.

* National co-funding is not automatically granted to all partners receiving ERDF funding.





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Management of transnational territorial cooperation programmes

Programme bodies at the transnational and national levels were established in order to ensure efficient and transparent management of respective programmes.

At the transnational level, the **Managing Authorities (MA)** are responsible for the overall programme management, while the **Joint Technical Secretariats (JTS)** provide technical support to project applicants during the preparation phase, monitor the selected projects, and provide additional assistance during project implementation and closure phase.

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Mediterranean

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Alpine Space

The overall programme budget: 130 000 000 €

Maximum ERDF co – funding rate for Slovenian project partners: 75%

Minimum share of national funds: 25%

The Alpine Space Programme 2007–2013 aims at increasing competitiveness and attractiveness of the cooperation area by developing joint actions in fields where transnational cooperation is required for sustainable solutions.

Priority 1: Competitiveness and Attractiveness of the Alpine Space

This priority refers to the programme objective »to encourage innovation, entrepreneurship and strengthen research and innovation capacities for SMEs« and »to enhance a balanced territorial development to make the Alpine Space an attractive place to live, work and invest«.

Main objectives of this priority axis:

- Strengthening innovation capabilities of SMEs, creating appropriate environments for their development and fostering stable cooperation between R&TD centres and SMEs
- Enhancing development options based on traditional sectors and cultural heritage, as well as on emerging sectors at transnational level
- Strengthening the role of urban areas as engines for sustainable development
- Strengthening rural-urban relations and the development of peripheral areas

Priority 2: Accessibility and Connectivity

This priority refers to the programme objective »to improve the accessibility of the Alpine Space and manage the economical and environmental consequences of transport systems« and »to improve accessibility to services and connectivity within the Alpine Space«.

Main objectives of this priority axis:

- Securing a fair access to public services, transport, information, communication and knowledge infrastructure within the programme area
- Promoting and improving access to and the use of existing infrastructures in order to optimise the economical and social benefits, and to reduce environmental consequences
- Enhancing connectivity for the reinforcement of polycentric territorial patterns and for laying the basis for a knowledge-driven and information society
- Promoting sustainable and innovative mobility models with specific regard to environmental/human health and equality related issues
- Mitigating the negative consequences of traffic flows crossing the Alps

Priority 3: Environment and Risk Prevention

This priority refers to the programme objective »to protect, manage and enhance the natural and cultural assets for sustainable development« and »to prevent and mitigate natural and technological hazards and manage their consequences, with specific regard to climate change impacts«.

Main objectives of this priority axis:

- Enhancing cooperation in environmental protection issues
- Stimulating integrated approaches to conservation, planning and management of natural resources and cultural landscape
- Stimulating the development of resource efficiency with respect to water, energy, land use, raw materials and other natural resources
- Coping with the effects of climate change
- Forecasting, predicting, mitigating and managing the impacts of natural and technological hazards

Alpine Space Co-operation Area

Austria

France: Alsace, Franche-Comté, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, Rhône-Alpes

Germany: districts of Oberbayern and Schwaben in Bavaria, Tübingen and Freiburg in Baden-Württemberg

Italy: Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Liguria, Lombardia, Piemonte, Trentino-Alto Adige, Valle d'Aosta, Veneto

Liechtenstein

Slovenia

Switzerland



Central Europe

The overall programme budget: 300 000 000 €

Maximum ERDF co – funding rate for Slovenian project partners: 85%

Minimum share of national funds: 15%

The Central Europe Programme goals are: »Strengthening territorial cohesion, promoting internal integration, and enhancing the competitiveness of Central Europe.«

Priority 1: Facilitating Innovation across Central Europe

The objective of this priority is to improve the climate for innovation in all regions and to enable them to make better use of their innovation potential by addressing their specific needs and areas of weakness and fostering the areas of strength.

Priority objectives are to be achieved in the following areas of intervention:

- Enhancing framework conditions for innovation
- Establishing capabilities for the diffusion and application of innovation
- Fostering knowledge development

Priority 2: Improving Accessibility of and within Central Europe

The objective of this priority is to strengthen through innovative solutions the internal cohesion of countries in Central Europe by improving the accessibility of and within the Central Europe area, fully taking into account the principles of sustainable development.

Priority objectives are to be achieved in the following areas of intervention:

- Improving Central Europe's interconnectivity
- Developing multimodal logistics' cooperation
- Promoting sustainable and safe mobility
- Promoting information and communication technologies and alternative solutions for enhancing access

Priority 3: Using our Environment Responsibly

The objective is a responsible use and protection of the environmental potentials of Central Europe by promoting innovative and sustainable approaches to natural resource management, risk reduction, and the enhancement of the natural environment.



The priority objectives are to be achieved in the following areas of intervention:

- Developing a high quality environment by managing and protecting natural resources and heritage
- Reducing risks and impacts of natural and man-made hazards
- Supporting the use of renewable energy sources and increasing energy efficiency
- Supporting environmentally friendly technologies and activities

Priority 4: Enhancing Competitiveness and Attractiveness of Cities and Regions

The objective of this priority is to strengthen the polycentric settlement structure, improve the quality of life, and promote sustainable development of cities and regions.

Priority objectives are to be achieved in the following areas of intervention:

- Developing polycentric settlement structures and territorial cooperation
- Addressing the territorial effects of demographic and social change on urban and regional development
- Capitalising on cultural resources for more attractive cities and regions

Central Europe Co-operation Area

Austria

Czech Republic

Germany: Baden-Württemberg, Bayern, Berlin, Brandenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Sachsen, Sachsen-Anhalt, Thüringen

Hungary

Italy: Piemonte, Valle d'Aosta/Vallée d'Aoste, Liguria, Lombardia, Provincia Autonoma Bolzano/Bozen, Provincia Autonoma Trento, Veneto, Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Emilia-Romagna

Poland

Slovak Republic

Slovenia

Ukraine: Volyn, Lviv, Zakarpattia, Ivano-Frankivsk, Chernivtsi





South East Europe

The overall programme budget: 245 000 000 €

Maximum ERDF co – funding rate for Slovenian project partners: 85%

Minimum share of national funds: 15%

The programme shall improve the territorial, economic and social integration process and contribute to cohesion, stability and competitiveness through the development of transnational partnerships and joint action on matters of strategic importance.

Priority 1: Facilitation of Innovation and Entrepreneurship

This priority aims at facilitating innovation, entrepreneurship, knowledge economy and enhancing integration and economic relations in the co-operation area, seeks in particular to achieve three operational objectives, and will support transnational partnerships and action that contribute to:

- Developing technology and innovation networks in specific fields
- Developing an encouraging environment for innovative entrepreneurship
- Enhancing the framework conditions and pave the way for innovation

Priority 2: Protection and Improvement of the Environment

The objective of this priority is to override the constraints imposed by national barriers, to foresee future environmental threats and opportunities and to develop common transnational action for the protection of nature and humans:

- Integrated water management and transnational flood risk prevention
- Improving prevention of environmental risks
- Promoting co-operation in management of natural assets and protected areas
- Promoting energy and resource efficiency

Priority 3: Improvement of Accessibility

This priority attempts to mobilise the strengths of the region and the opportunities emerging from the EU framework in order to overcome the weaknesses of the region. Priority axis 3 shall contribute specifically to the improvement of the accessibility of local and regional actors to the European Networks:

- Improving co-ordination in promoting, planning and operation for primary and secondary transportation networks
- Developing strategies to tackle the »digital divide«
- Improving framework conditions for multi-modal platforms



Priority 4: Development of Transnational Synergies for Sustainable Growth Areas

This priority objective is to develop and implement integrated strategies for metropolitan areas and regional systems of settlements, optimise the programme area's polycentric structures, and use cultural values for sustainable development:

- Tackling crucial problems affecting metropolitan areas and regional systems of settlements
- Promoting a balanced pattern of attractive and accessible growth areas
- Promoting the use of cultural values for development

South East Europe Co-operation Area

Austria

Bulgaria

Romania

Croatia

Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)

Greece

Hungary

Italy: Lombardia, Provincia Autonoma Bolzano/Bozen, Provincia Autonoma Trento, Veneto, Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Emilia Romagna, Umbria, Marche, Abruzzo, Molise, Puglia Basilicata

Serbia

Montenegro

Slovakia

Slovenia

Turkey: Bati Marmara, Istanbul

Moldova

Ukraine: Cjermovestka Oblast, Ivano-Frankiviska Oblast, Zakarpatska Oblast, Odessa Oblast





Mediterranean

The overall programme budget: 260 000 000 €

Maximum ERDF co – financing rate for Slovenian project partners: 85%

Minimum share of national funds: 15%

General objectives for this programme are to make the whole Med Space a territory able to face international competition in order to ensure growth and employment for the next generations, to support territorial cohesion and actively intervene in favour of environmental protection in the logic of sustainable development.

Priority 1: Strengthening Innovation Capacities

The objectives of this priority axis are pursued by enhancing endogenous resources and by ensuring the implementation of the sustainable development principle.

- Dissemination of innovative technologies and know-how
- Strengthening strategic co-operation between economic development actors and public authorities

Priority 2: Protection of the Environment and Promotion of Sustainable Territorial Development

The objectives of this priority axis are to promote a sustainable regional development, in order to ensure responsible management, preservation and valorisation of natural resources and heritage (notably sustainable tourism).

- Protection and enhancement of natural resources and heritage
- Promotion of renewable energies and improvement of energy efficiency
- Maritime risks prevention and strengthening of maritime safety
- Prevention and fight against natural risks

Priority 3: Improvement of Mobility and Territorial Accessibility

The objectives of this priority axis are to intervene in the organisation of the means of transport to improve their functioning and reduce their environmental impact. Accessibility of the electronic communication networks and services also constitutes a major attractiveness and opening-up for the most isolated areas (rural and islands), and also for the optimization of economic, administrative and financial flows in the Med Space.

- Improvement of maritime accessibility and transit capacities through multimodality and intermodality
- Support to the use of information technologies for better accessibility and territorial cooperation



Priority 4 : Promotion of Polycentric and Integrated Development of the Med Space

The objectives of this priority axis are to better manage the effects of urban development, and enhance potential and territorial competitiveness while avoiding a widening of territorial disparities, to strengthen cooperation networks, support synergies between development areas and improve territorial multilevel governance systems in the main cooperation issues.

The key issue is to promote innovative initiatives which enhance Mediterranean identity and cultural specificities facing economic globalisation and international competition.

- Coordination of development policies and improvement of territorial governance
- Strengthening of identity and enhancement of cultural resources for better integration of the Med Space

Mediterranean* Co-operation Area

Croatia

Cyprus

France: Corse, Languedoc-Roussillon, Provence Alpes Côte d'Azur, Rhône-Alpes

Greece

Italy: Abruzzo, Apulia, Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Emilia-Romagna, Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Lazio, Liguria, Lombardy, Marche, Molise, Umbria, Piedmonte, Sardinia, Sicily, Tuscany, Veneto

Malta

Montenegro

Portugal: Algarve, Alentejo

Slovenia

Spain: Andalusia, Aragon, Catalonia, Balearic Islands, Murcia, Valencia, Ceuta and Melilla

United-Kingdom: Gibraltar

* The programme area not decided yet





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