

# Newsletter

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Hello from Vienna!

Central Europe is facing numerous challenges that know no borders. Our regions and cities have to adapt quickly in the coming years and they urgently need support.

“Let’s get the money on the ground” was demanded by Commission President Ursula von der Leyen in her State of the Union Address. And this is exactly what we are doing at Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE: Before the end of the year we will select dozens of new projects and soon after we will open a second call for transnational cooperation ideas.

In this edition, you will find news about:

- Our second call that opens in March 2023
- Our applicant community for project partner search and browsing ideas
- The assessment and imminent selection of first call project proposals
- Our EU Regions Week Talk on the impact of transnational cooperation impacts

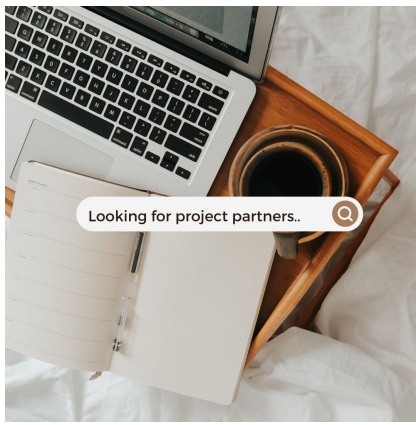
Enjoy the read!



## Coming soon: New call opens in March 2023

The second call for project proposals will launch at our programme conference in late March 2023. The call will offer a considerable budget for co-funding transnational cooperation ideas. Details of the call and also the conference will be further discussed by our monitoring committee in its next meeting in Bratislava on 15-16 December 2022. More information will follow early next year.

[Read more about our funding](#)



## Get ready: Search partners and find ideas for the second call

Only the early bird catches the worm. We have relaunched our applicant community for the upcoming second call. It is now available for all potential applicants to support their search for transnational cooperation partners and project ideas. Register to the community platform for free or re-activate your profile to virtually network and meet across central Europe.

[Start working with the community](#)



## Starting soon: First call projects will be selected in December

Step by step we are getting closer to selecting the next generation of transnational cooperation projects. In summer, 143 of the 280 proposals that were submitted to the first call entered the full quality assessment. This process is now nearing an end and projects will be selected as planned at the next monitoring committee meeting in mid-December. A list of the selected projects will be published on the programme website on 16 December.

[Read more about the selection process](#)



## Replay: Our EU Regions Week Talk on cooperation impacts

What has transnational cooperation achieved in central Europe in the past 25 years? How do our cities and regions concretely benefit from cooperation beyond borders? At the EU Regions Week 2022, Luca Ferrarese, our Head of Joint Secretariat, presented examples of how our funding builds trust and initiates change. His 15-minute talk also offers a glimpse into the future of our cooperation funding. It is now available for replay.

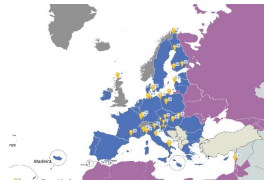
[Watch the talk here](#)



### **ENES-CE project presented impacts of energy communities**

Our projects often involve local communities to develop fitting solutions for their problems. The ENES-CE project created local energy communities and presented their impact at the Interreg Annual Event in Brussels.

[Get to know ENES-CE](#)



### **Experience what Interreg does for the creative industries**

In a virtual experience room, the European Commission collected and presents activities of Interreg projects that support the creative industries. Including also our projects COME-IN! and VirtualArch.

[Experience their actions](#)



### **#InterregAndMe: How Interreg projects are changing lives**

Interreg projects work for all of us, sometimes in surprising ways. Meet Europeans from different parts of the continent telling their stories on how Interreg has touched their life. And let us know if you have a story to share!

[Read the stories](#)

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