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- Capitalisation through coordination
  The fourth call in a nutshell
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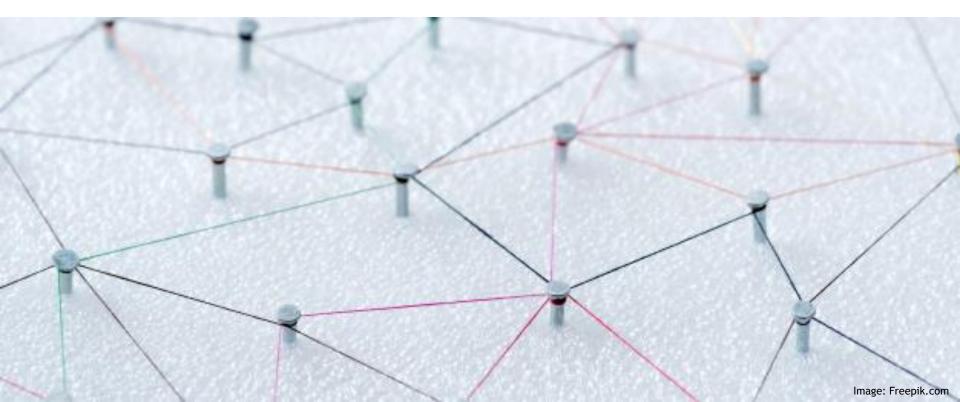
...the Commission and the Member States shall ensure coordination between (...) the ESI Funds and other relevant Union policies, strategies and instruments...

Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, Article 4(6)

# To exploit outputs and results for better policy-making (upstream)



# To exploit outputs and results for **broader impacts** (downstream)



## The context: who we are and what we do



#### The Area

- **9** countries
- **76** NUTS2 regions
- 8 capital cities
- 7 cities above 1 million inhabitants
- 146 million inhabitants

#### The Programme

- **246** million EUR ERDF (2014-20)
- 129 projects approved
- 1330+ partners involved
- 99% of the funds allocated

## Our fourth call aims at

Increasing the <u>impact</u> of transnational cooperation projects in the regions

#### through

- Exploitation of existing outputs and results...
- ...in coordination with other EU instruments (beyond the Interreg bubble)



## Coordination with whom?

While the EU R&I programme is about boosting and networking excellence at European level, the structural funds are essential for R&I capacity-building in regions that are catching up...

LAB - FAB - APP Investing in the European future we want (Lamy report 2017)

## Coordination with whom?

#### A survey showed that "Interreg CE" stakeholders:

- 1. Consider coordination with R&I projects important and want to exploit their results in coordination with H2020/FP7 projects, however...
- 2. The level of awareness about exploitable R&I results is low (with exceptions) and...
- 3. The level of uptake of R&I results from projects is also rather low



#### Matchmaking between



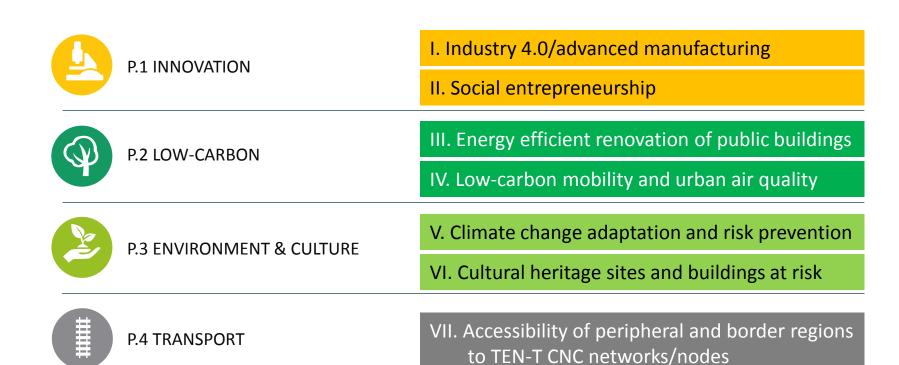




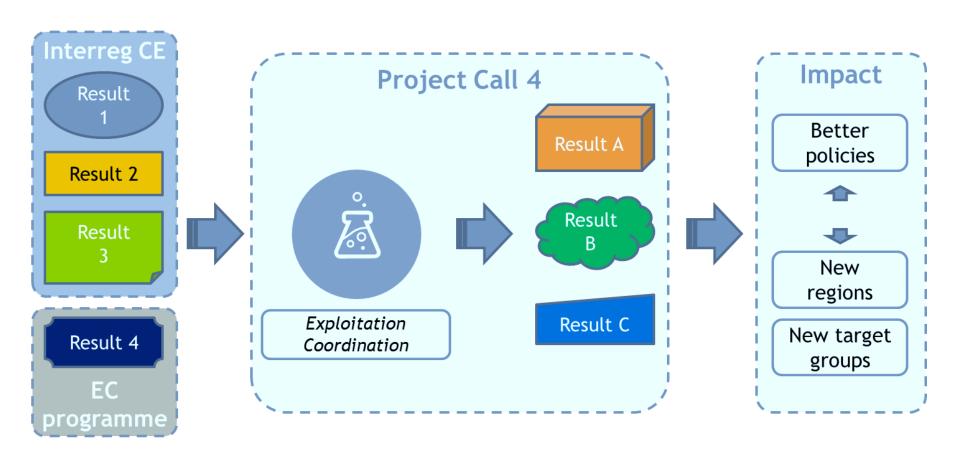
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is a win-win!

## An experiment focused on 7 topics



## Exploitation and coordination in practice



# To sum up: three key numbers for the call



# Minimum requirements for project proposals

REQUIREMENT	
Thematic focus	Focus of the proposal on one of the 7 pre-selected topics
Coordination	<ul> <li>At least 2 Interreg CE projects of calls 1 and 2 (44 projects referring to the 7 topics)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>At least <u>one thematically relevant project</u> funded by a directly-managed EU programme</li> </ul>
Partnership	<ul> <li>At least 50 % of the partnership from the Interreg CE projects of calls 1 and 2 whose outputs and results are going to be exploited</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>At least <u>one partner</u> from each project funded by directly-managed EU programmes whose outputs and results are going to be exploited</li> </ul>
Multiple participation	<ul> <li><u>A same</u> institution/body cannot be involved in more than one proposal within a same topic</li> </ul>

## Key project features

- Limited preparatory activities (studies or analyses)
- Focus on the implementation of tools and pilot actions (downstreaming) or of strategies and action plans (upstreaming)
- Communication activities contribute to the exploitation but shall not be the main focus of a proposal
- Number of partners and budget size shall reflect the scope of the project → no recommendations
- Maximum duration of 24 months

## Timeline of the call



# A complimentary tool for matchmaking

www.interreg-central.eu/apply (→ documents)



## The way forward

- Coordination is a must for the future programmes after 2020
- The Interreg CE fourth call can be a testbed for a new impact-driven coordination mechanism between different EU instruments

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