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# 1. Research and practice under the headline of innovation and internationalization (A)

- Research and pratice projects in the status of constant change
- Third-party funds and competition structures replace public and institutional budgets
- Be innovative!

*“Innovations are the elixir of life for a society. Innovations, these are new technologies, products or technical procedures, with which we can develop new markets und secure employment for the future. Innovations create chances for a good, yes even, a better life” (Buhlmann 2004, 2).*

- Be inter-/transnational!



# **1. Research and practice under the headline of innovation and internationalization (B)**

*how are national, institutional and social patterns or spaces of orientation (Niemeyer et al. 2014) being challenged by the imperatives of innovation and internationalization?*

*how do educational actors on different levels respond to these changing conditions?*



## 2. INTERREG as a funding organization (A)

- INTERREG as the EU's major instrument of regional cross-border funding
- Developing economic regions by overcoming national borders
- INTERREG regions slightly dissolve practice and research from national boundaries
- It also creates new boundaries due to the re-definition of (funding) borders
- INTERREG's mapping processes can be seen as region-based constructions of EUrope (Lawn/Novoa 2002; Passi 2005; Quenzel 2005)

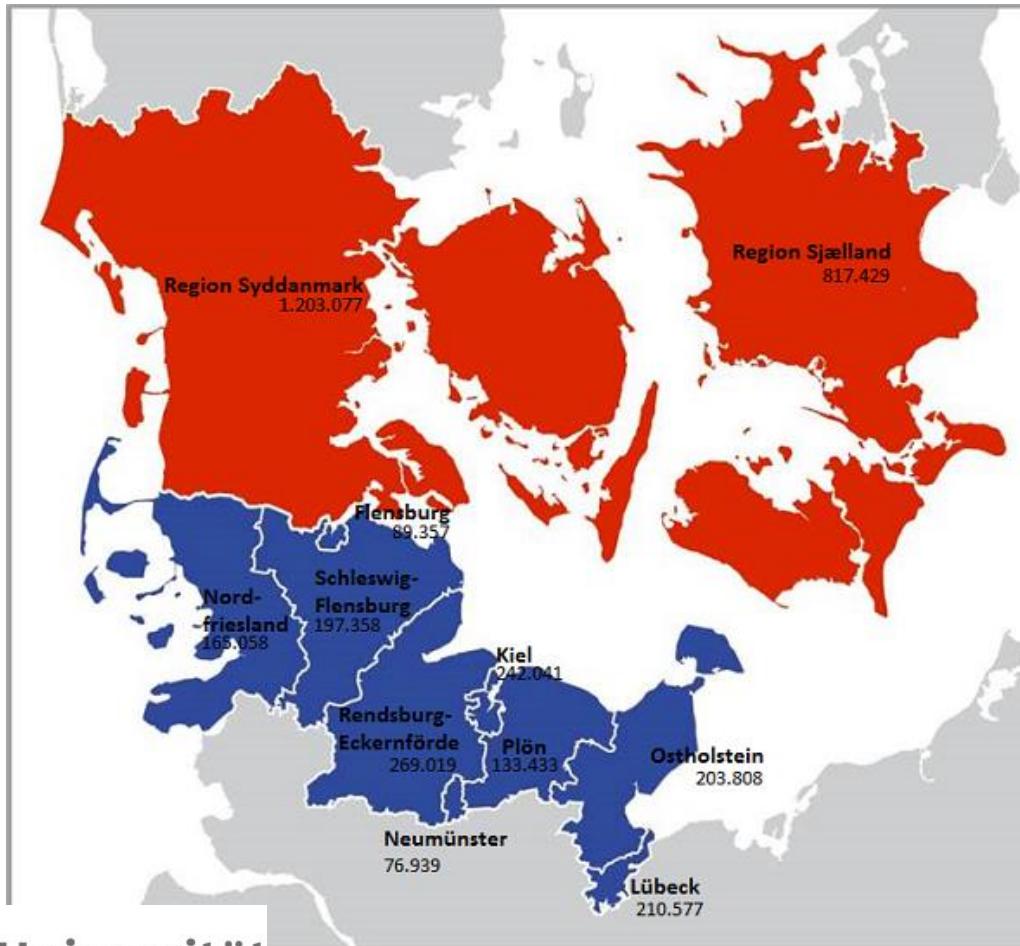


## 2. INTERREG as a funding organization (B)



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## 2. INTERREG as a funding organization (C)



### 3. A regional cross-border project: JUMP

- Collaborative project of German and Danish production schools and universities (funded by INTERREG Va)
- The form of cooperation is defined as a learning community under an action research approach
- The projects aims to promote economic development and employability of disadvantaged young learners through cross-border mobility and short-term placements



## *4. The alcohol sequence*

- Classification of activities (school vs work?)
- Classification of responsibilities (individual vs pedagogical?)
- Pedagogical values (autonomy, role model?)
- Modes of dealing with rules (legitimation, pausing, orientating, accepting, negotiating?)
- Which rule should be applied? (transnational, national, institutional, European?)

# 5. Risks and benefits: De-establishing as an effect of European innovation policy?

- Traditional national, institutional or professional routines are being alienated
- Re-negotiations of *usual* or *normal* ways of assigning of or behaving in pedagogical situations are being initiated
- The establishment of new spaces for collaboration goes along with the de-establishing of prior patterns of orientation
- Transnationalization as production of spaces of challenge and reflection?
- NOT ONE EUROPE, BUT MANY?! (Paasi 2005)



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