

**Interreg  
Europe**



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# Interreg Europe: state of play

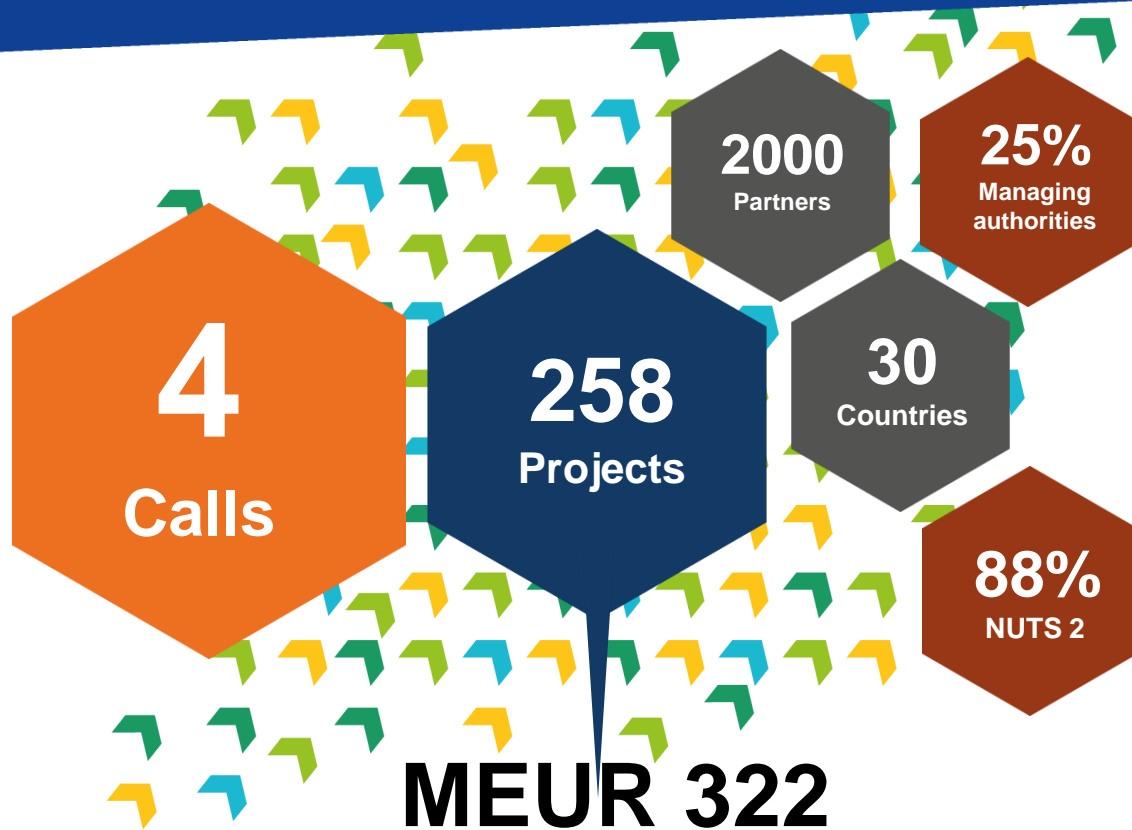
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# Interregional cooperation projects



# Outputs achieved (validated as of 1 September 2020)

**2,930**  
Good practices  
identified

**1779**  
Good practices  
PLP

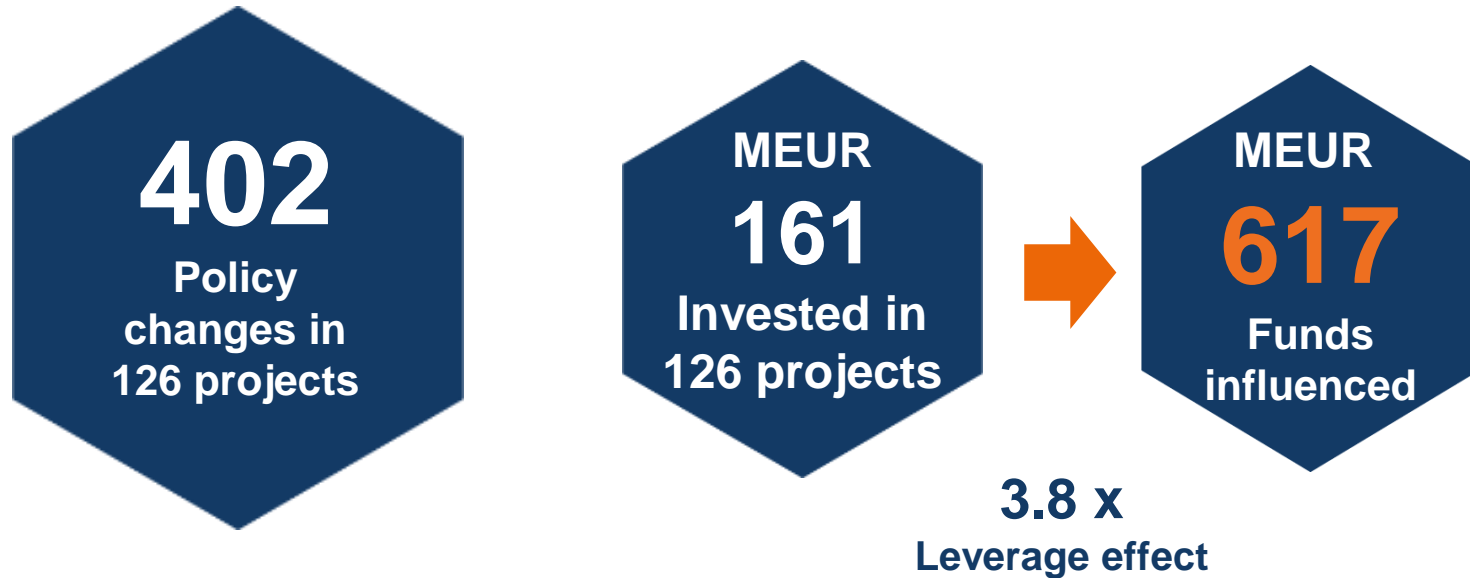
**11,880**  
Staff with  
increased capacity

**866**  
Action plans

**99 %**                      **94 %**  
— % of target in the CP reached —

**140 projects have finished phase 1**

# Improving policies (validated as of 1 September 2020)



# Policy Learning Platform

**Community of peers**

**+ 18,000 members**



**Expert policy support**

**peer reviews**



**Good practice database**

**~ 1780 good practices**



**#policylearning**



# COVID challenges – Interreg Europe solutions

[www.interregeurope.eu/covid-19](http://www.interregeurope.eu/covid-19)

Check the new **COVID-19** section on our website:

- Discover **good practices** from all across Europe that can help you mitigate the pandemic's effects;
- Join our **online thematic activities** that will inspire you and help you find solutions to common challenges;
- Request **tailored support** from our Policy Learning Platform experts;
- Find out related **news and events** published by us, our projects and other institutions.

In parallel, we are working even closer with our projects and proposing adapted measures through our dedicated team who stands ready to support.

# Cooperation on resource efficiency



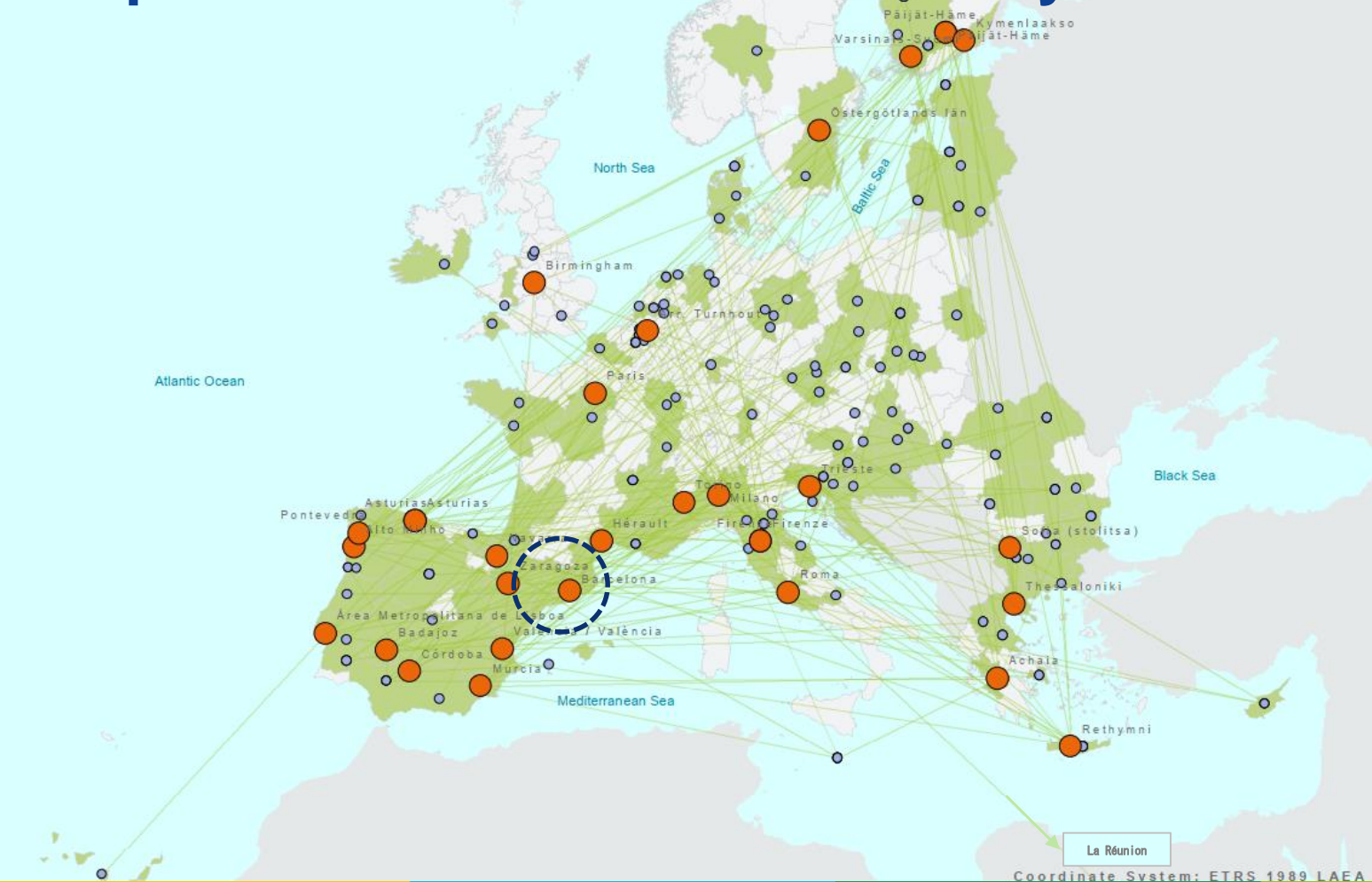
# 31

projects total

2 projects address environmental performance management




Only ENHANCE focuses on EMAS



La Réunion

Coordinate System: ETRS 1989 LAEA

# Policy Learning Platform contribution



**Reduced reporting and monitoring requirements for EMAS...**  
Exemption of periodic control for EMAS registered ...  
**Location:** Cataluña, Spain (España)

14/02/2019  
Support, SME, EMAS...



**Consideration of EMAS in the IED Inspection Programme**  
EMAS as a criteria in the definition of the IED inspe...  
**Location:** Other, Spain (España)

20/12/2018  
EMAS, Circular economy




**Tender for public transport services by the Barcelona...**  
Inclusion of EMAS in the public transport tender by...  
**Location:** Other, Spain (España)

20/12/2018  
Sustainable, Planning...



**Funding for improving resource efficiency in SMEs**  
Improving resource efficiency via raising awareness...  
**Location:** Eesti, Estonia (Eesti)

19/12/2018  
Support, SME, EMAS, Circular...



**Promotion of EMAS through other voluntary awareness, information...**  
Eco-management manuals from Directorate-Gener...  
**Location:** Cataluña, Spain (España)

12/12/2018  
SME, Competitiveness...



**reduced frequency of environmental inspections**

EMAS organisations may have a reduced frequency...  
**Location:** Wien, Austria (Österreich)

30/10/2018

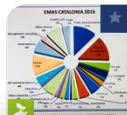


**Reduction of inspection frequency for EMAS-registered...**

EMAS as a criterion of operator's behaviour in the ...  
**Location:** Andalucía, Spain (España)

13/09/2018

EMAS, Support, SME, Transition, ...



**Funding support for the promotion of voluntary environmental...**

Grants for the promotion of voluntary environmen...  
**Location:** Cataluña, Spain (España)

31/07/2018

Environment, Management...



**EMAS Awards**

The EMAS Awards are an event created to promote...  
**Location:** Andalucía, Spain (España)

10/05/2018

Engagement, Social, Business, Support...



**Reduction of taxes on Gas Emissions to Atmosphere & Discharges to...**

Discount of the 25% of the investment when the a...  
**Location:** Andalucía, Spain (España)

13/09/2018

Green, Infrastructure...



**Creation of an EMAS Club**

Creation of a formal/informal association of EMAS ...  
**Location:** Andalucía, Spain (España)

28/04/2018

Engagement, Social, Business, Support...



24 good practices identified

11 good practices published in Good Practice Database!



# ENHANCE - results achieved so far

- **Budget Law 5/2020 of the Government of Catalonia**  
*Ministry of Territory and Sustainability, Government of Catalonia (ES)*
- **Waste Act**
- **Energy Sector Organisation Act**  
*Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Centre (EE)*
- **Austria Industry Act**  
*Environment Agency Austria (AT)*

4 policy  
changes in  
3 regions

Governance  
improved  
and  
structural  
changes

# Congratulations!

# What about the future?

- May 2018: Interreg Europe not present in the EC draft regulations
- May 2019: EP and Council asked for Interreg Europe to be back
- December 2019: first Programming Committee meeting  
<https://www.interregeurope.eu/about-us/2021-2027>
- To be continued.... (finalisation of regulation, budget decision)



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# No revolution...but evolution

## Key features remain:

1. Pan-European
2. Similar overall objective
  - Regional development policy makers = core target group
3. Similar means to achieve the objective
  - Main focus on capacity building

## Proposals:

1. Focus on Structural Funds lightened
2. Learning by doing: pilot actions
3. Only one single priority in the programme
  - Better reflect the core nature of the programme (capacity building)

# Thank you!

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