

**Interreg
Europe**



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Interreg Europe: state of play

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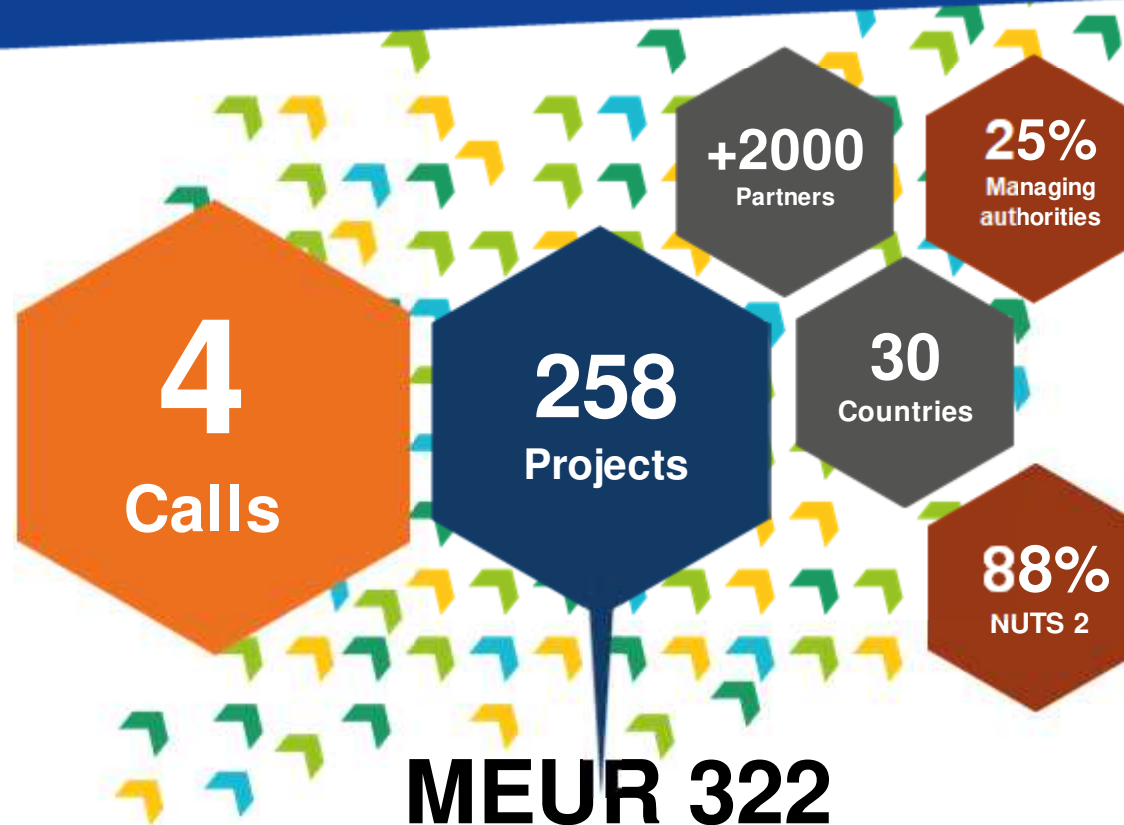
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25 February 2021 | REMIX final conference, online



Interregional cooperation projects



Outputs achieved (validated as of 01 February 2021)

3,576

Good practices identified

2,084

Good practices PLP

12,604

Staff with increased capacity

916

Action plans

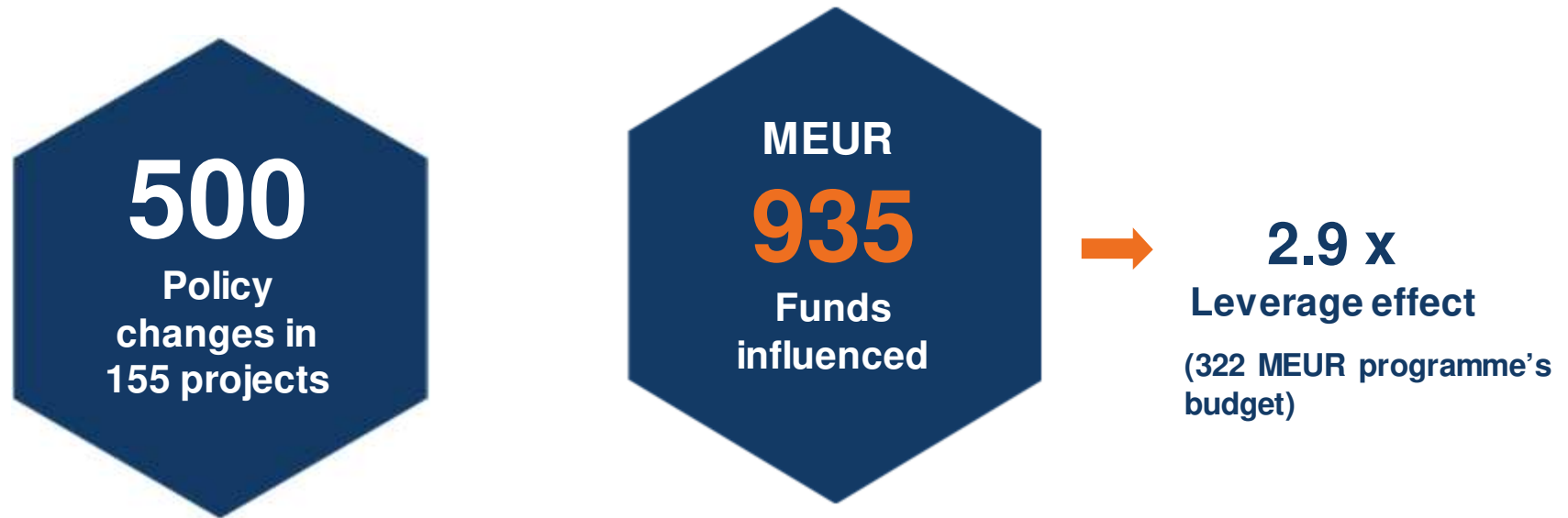
105 %

99 %

% of target in the CP reached

158 projects have finished phase 1

Improving policies (validated as of 01 February 2021)



Policy Learning Platform

Community of peers

+ 18,000 members



Good practice database

+ 1900 good practices



Expert policy support

peer reviews, helpdesk



Knowledge hub

Policy briefs & news



COVID challenges – Interreg Europe solutions

<https://www.interregeurope.eu/covid-19/>

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

- 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.
- Possible **call for additional activities in 2021**

COVID-19
keyword!

NEW

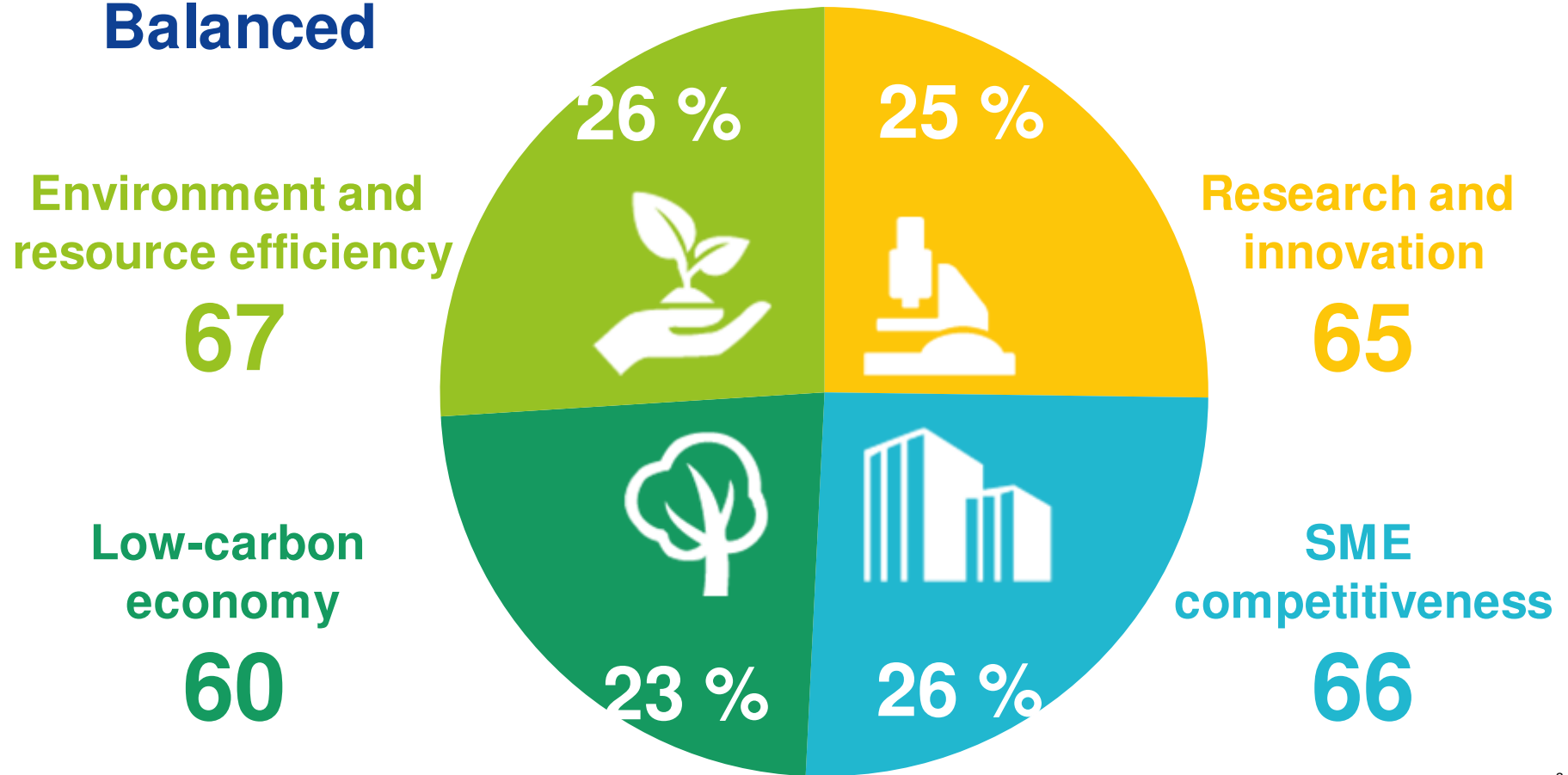
Possible call for additional activities in 2021



NEW

- New opportunities to face and recover from the **COVID-19 crisis**
- Open to **258 approved projects** (but primarily relevant to 1st and 2nd call projects);
- Focus on **exchange of experience** activities and **pilot actions** if justified
- Monitoring Committee **final decision expected in March.**

Balanced

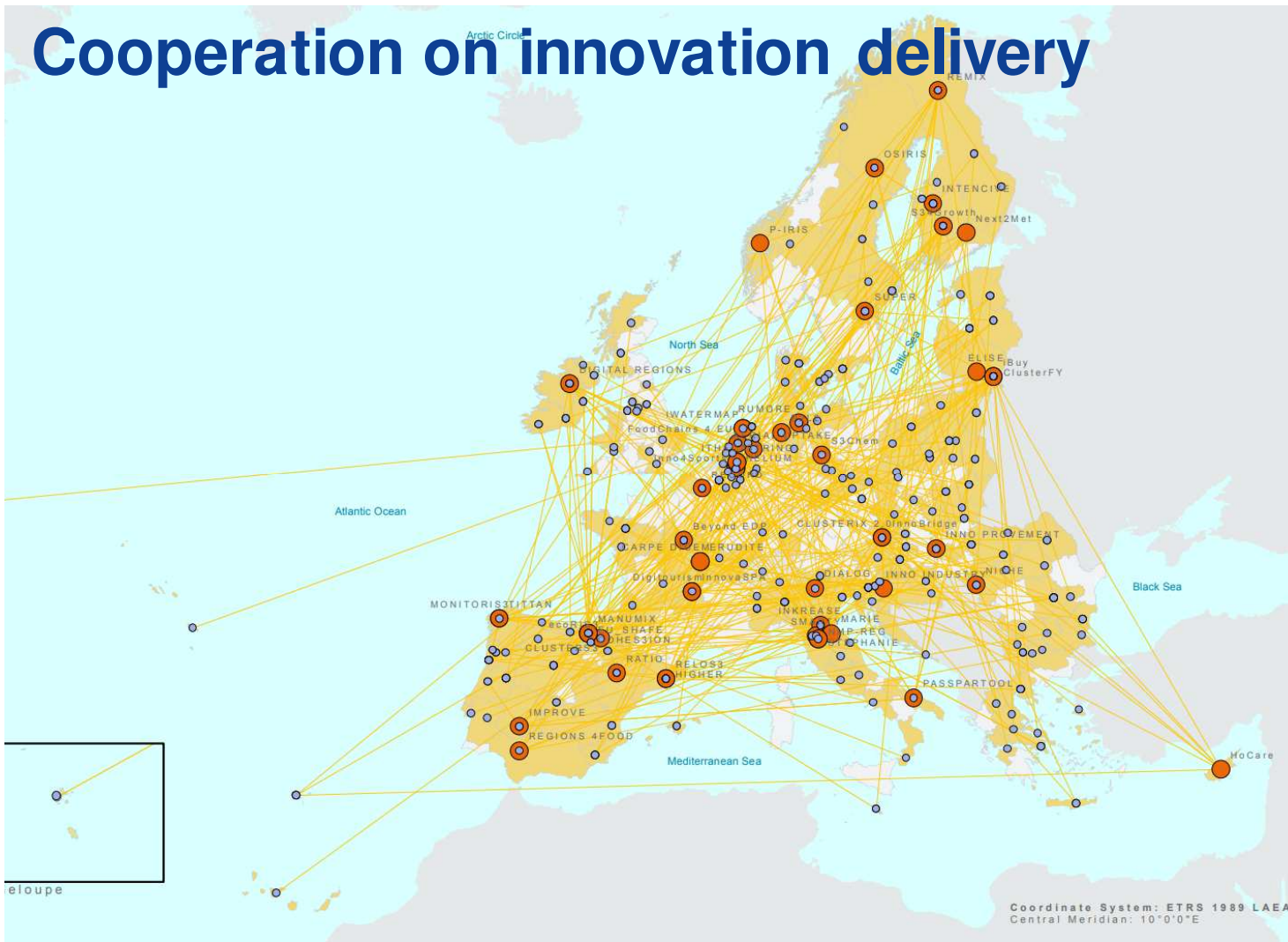


Cooperation on innovation delivery

53
Projects

5 projects
dedicated to
Research and
innovation
strategies for
smart
specialisation
(RIS3)

1 project
dedicated to
Raw materials



Active contribution at programme level

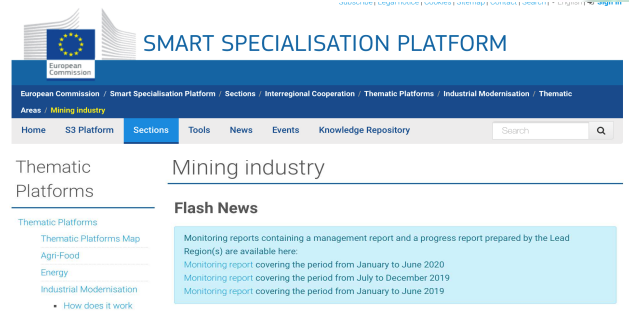
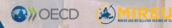
Establishment of S3 partnership in mining



3 good practices in
Good practice database

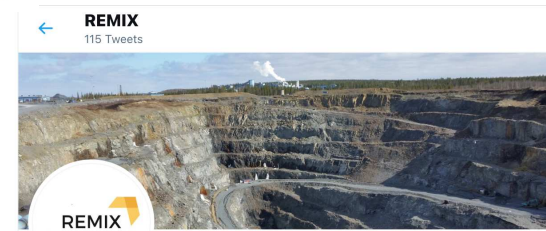
23 June 2020 | 13:30 CEST | Online

Impacts and
opportunities of
COVID-19 on
mining regions
and cities



MIREU & OECD online discussion

Active on social media



Results already achieved

4 Policy changes

- **Finland's structural funds programme 2014-2020**
Regional Council of Lapland (FI)
- **The 2014-2020 ERDF Operational Programme of Castilla y León**
Institute for Business Competitiveness of Castilla y León (ES)
- **State Raw Materials Policy of the Czech Republic**
Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic (CZ)
- **Sustainable growth and jobs 2014 - 2020 - Finland's structural funds programme**
Business Joensuu Oy 'JOSEK (FI)

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 as core target groups
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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