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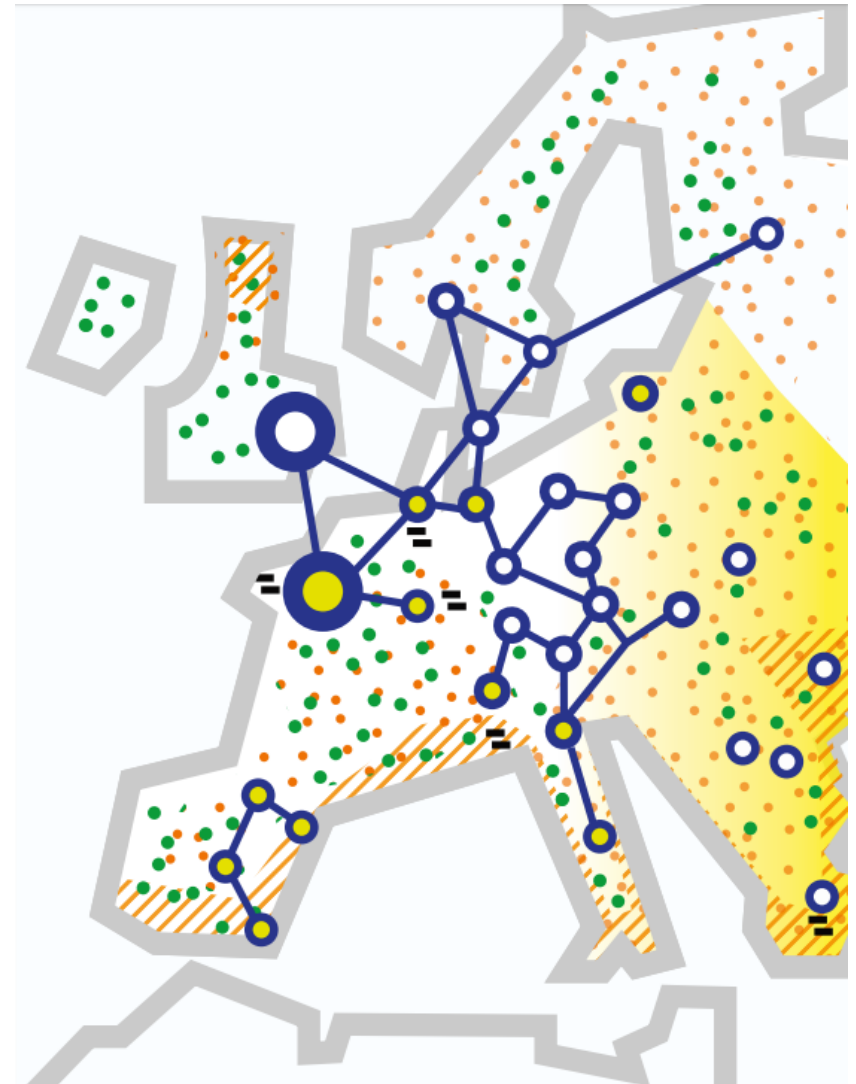
Spatial planning in Western Europe: current trends, policies and research

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What ESPON is

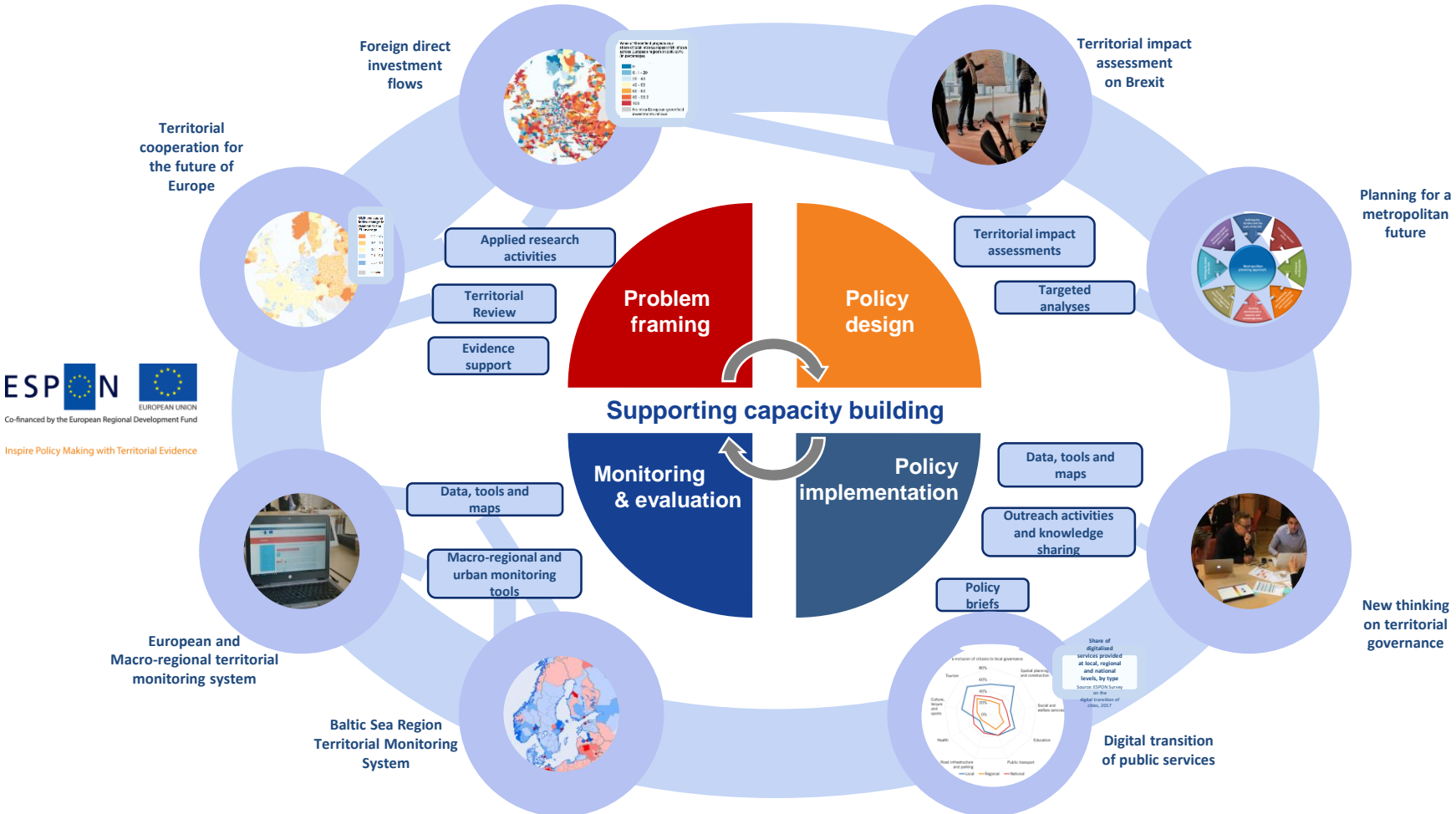
- ESPON is one of 4 interregional cooperation programmes along with Interreg Europe, INTERACT, URBACT
- ESPON 2020 Programme covers 28 EU + 4 partner states
- ESPON EGTC (European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation) is based in Luxembourg



What ESPON does



European, national, regional and local scales



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Macro-regions, functional areas

Urban and rural areas

New applied research 2019

Sustainable
land-use

Technological
Transformation &
Transitioning of
Regional
Economies

Quality of life
methodology and
measurements

Territorial impacts of
natural disasters

The Future of
Europe's Shrinking
Rural Regions

Interregional
relations in Europe

The role of functional areas for territorial cohesion

- Functional areas and territorial cohesion

- How can functional areas contribute to territorial cohesion?
- How can areas in decline profit from policy making using functional areas
- How can a spill-over of prosperity and growth to declining areas be ensured?)

- Policy labs at different scales

- Functional urban areas and links to declining areas
- How do macro-regions contribute to European territorial cooperation?
- Which role in future European Territorial Cooperation programmes for cross-border functional areas?

*With the participation of **Saskia Sassen** and **Tim Moonen***



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Peer learning workshops

- **Objective** is to promote a wider practical use of ESPON research outputs and knowledge transfer
 - Direct peer-to-peer communication and exchange among relevant groups of national, regional and local stakeholders
 - Promote learning from ESPON research results beyond the stakeholders involved in the design and implementation of the activities
 - Increase the impact and added value of ESPON research results
- Current stakeholders to act as ambassadors for a peer-to-peer learning exercise
- Critical review and advice on ongoing policy developments to their counterparts



Call for proposals

- Next **cut-off date on 28 June 2019**
- Stakeholders can propose any subject related to their policy needs
- 4 proposals will be selected



**Call for proposals for
targeted analyses**

Spatial Planning Roadshow 2018/2019



- ✓ Seminar Paris (March 18)
Regional and national spatial planning: new challenges and new opportunities
- ✓ Seminar Dublin (May 18)
Regional Spatial Strategies: the Architecture of Effective Regional Development
- ✓ Seminar Luxembourg (September 18)
Public Participation in Spatial Planning: improving processes and outputs
- ✓ Seminar Bruxelles (October 18)
Spatial planning: implementation, governance, finance and regulations
- ✓ Seminar The Hague (April 19)
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Agenda

- **Spatial planning priorities in the Netherlands and views from outside**
- **Contributions from ESPON research**
- **Design-thinking session for future research in spatial planning**



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