

ESPON SCALES

Breakdown and capitalisation of ESPON results on different scales

ECP Transnational Networking Activity

Annexes 1-4 to the Final Report



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WP 1: Coordination

Project Partner 1(BBSR, DE)

- start and implement the project according to the application form approved by the Monitoring Committee and its annexes;
- timely inform the MA if project costs are reduced, if the project objectives, the activities or the budget plan on which this contract is based change, or one of the disbursement conditions ceases to be fulfilled, or circumstances arise which entitle the MA to reduce payment or to demand repayment of the subsidy wholly or in part;
- timely inform the MA if the LP or one of the Project Partners as private partner becomes insolvent and / or is moving towards liquidation or declares bankruptcy;
- comply with the regulations referred to in § 1 Legal framework of the Subsidy Contract as well as with all other European Union and national legislation including the horizontal policies of the European Union quoted in same paragraph;
- submit to the MA the copies of the Partnership Agreements signed with the partners
- submit progress reports (by 31/07/2011, 31/01/2012, 31/07/2012, 31/01/2013 and 30/11/2013)
- organise TPG and CU meetings (10 January 2011 in Luxembourg, 3 February 2011 in Bonn, 28 November 2011 in Krakow, 22 March 2012 in Bonn, 12 June 2012 in Aalborg, 4 October 2012 in Bonn, 4 December 2012 in Paphos)

Project Partner 2 (University of Luxembourg, LU)

- organisation of pre-TPG meeting on 10.11.11 in Luxembourg and of debriefing session after the Luxembourg seminar on 11.11.11

Project Partner 3 (ARE, CH)

- organization of TPG-Pre-Meeting on 3 May 2012 in Bern, Switzerland

Project Partner 4 (ÖROK, AT)

- Organization of TPG meeting on 29th of sept. 2011
- Organization of the TPG-Pre-Meeting 3rd of june 2012
- Participation on the Financial seminar 31/03/2011 and 03/05/2012

Project Partner 5 (VATI, HU) / Project Partner 6 (ONEP, HU)

- organise TPG meeting on 20 June 2011 in Budapest
- participation in financial seminar in Geneva, 31.03-01.04.2011
- partner change between VATI and ONEP in the 4th period
- organise TPG meeting on 19 March 2013 in Budapest

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WP 2: Activity

Task 1: Elaboration on how the ESPON results can be used by stakeholders on different levels

Task 1.1: Cities, regional development and planning

All partners:

- Strategy for the capitalisation of ESPON results to deal with the challenges of scales: Cities, regional development and planning / polycentricity

Task 1.2 Urban-rural relations

All partners:

- Strategy for the capitalisation of ESPON results to deal with the challenges of scales: Urban-rural relationship

Task 1.3: Economy and innovation

Task 1.4: Transport and mobility

All partners:

- Strategy for the capitalisation of ESPON results to deal with the challenges of scales: Accessibility, Innovation, Economy

Task 1.5: Risk management, climate change and culture

All partners:

- Strategy for the capitalisation of ESPON results to deal with the challenges of scales: Risk management, climate change and culture

Task 2: Capitalisation of ESPON results: Events

Seminar No. 1: Polycentric development at every level: urban-rural relationship ESPON SCALES Seminar on 27 October 2011, Budapest

Project Partner 5 (VATI, HU) / Project Partner 6 (ONEP, HU)

- preparation of invitation in four languages for the seminar;
- preparation of seminar programme;
- organisation of seminar;
- preparation and giving presentations on the seminar (1. Interdependence between cities and their catchment areas, 2. Rural peripheries – challenges and opportunities and the role of small- and medium size towns, 3. Structural change in traditional agricultural areas);
- preparation of seminar report;
- preparation of evaluation on seminar feedback questionnaire;
- publication of seminar documentation on www.espon.hu and http://www.nth.gov.hu/scales_1/index.html

Project Partner 1 (BBSR, DE)

- presentation by Volker Schmidt-Seiwert: ESPON project SCALES - Breakdown and capitalisation of ESPON results on different scales

Project Partner 2 (University of Luxembourg, LU)

- presentation by Tobias Chilla: Interdependence between metropolitan regions and their catchment areas – Reflection from a Luxembourgish perspective.

All partners:

- distribution of the invitation / programme
- publication of the programme on the partners' websites
- participation to the seminar

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Seminar No. 2: Polycentric territorial development: what does it mean? on 11 November 2011, Luxembourg

Project Partner 2 (University of Luxembourg, LU):

- Invitation in three languages for the seminar;
- Seminar programme;
- Organisation of the seminar and of the presentations
- Seminar report;
- preparation of evaluation on seminar feedback questionnaire;
- publication of seminar documentation on www.espon.lu website

Project partner 4 (ÖROK, AT)

- organisation of the participation of an external expert (Tobias Panwinkler) to present the situation of Vienna-Bratislava as another case study where polycentricity plays a major role in cross-border context

All other partners:

- distribution of the invitation / programme
 - publication of the programme on the partners' websites
 - participation to the seminar
-

Seminar No. 3: Accessibility, Innovation, Economy: Future Spatial Challenges for Switzerland and Europe on 4 May 2011, Bern

Project Partner 3 (ARE, CH)

- preparation of Seminar programme
- preparation of Seminar invitation (3 languages: English, German, French) and publication on www.espon.ch
- organisation of Seminar
- preparation of and giving presentations at the Seminar
- elaboration of Seminar report for the Lead Partner
- evaluation of Seminar feedback questionnaire
- publication of Seminar documentation on www.espon.ch website

Project Partner 1(BBSR, DE)

- presentation by Volker Schmidt-Seiwert: Innovation. Insights from a German perspective

Project Partner 2 (University of Luxembourg, LU)

- Presentation by Estelle Evrard: Economy. Insights from a Luxembourgish perspective

All partners:

- distribution of the invitation / programme
 - publication of the programme on the partners' websites
 - participation to the seminar
-

Seminar No. 4: Climate Change and risk impacts: results of European research from the Austrian perspective on 4 June 2012, Vienna

Project Partner 4 (ÖROK, AT)

- preparation of Seminar programme
- preparation of Seminar invitation and publication on [ÖROK Website](http://www.oroek.at)
- organisation of Seminar in cooperation with ÖIR
- preparation of and giving presentations at the Seminar in cooperation with ÖIR

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- elaboration of Seminar report for the Lead Partner
- evaluation of Seminar feedback questionnaire
- publication of Seminar documentation on the ÖROK Website
- announcement of the SCALES event in Vienna on ESPON Homepage
www.espon.eu

All other partners:

- distribution of the invitation / programme
 - publication of the programme on the partners' websites
 - participation to the seminar
-

Seminar No. 5: ESPON serving transnational co-operation: shaping transnational spatial development based on territorial knowledge on 30 October 2012, Berlin

Project Partner 1 (BBSR, DE)

- preparation of invitation in German and English;
- preparation of seminar programme (in German and English);
- finding of speakers
- organisation of seminar;
- preparation and giving presentations on the seminar;
- preparation of seminar report;
- preparation of evaluation on seminar feedback questionnaire;
- publication of seminar documentation on BBSR website

All other partners:

- distribution of the invitation / programme
- publication of the programme on the partners' websites
- participation to the seminar

Task 2: Capitalisation of ESPON results: SCALES guidelines

All partners:

- Discussion of contents on TPG meetings
- Production of SCALES guidelines

Task 3: Feedback to ESPON projects under priority 1 (blunder checks)

All Project Partners:

- ESPON CLIMATE/Territorial effects of Climate Change
- ATTREG/Attractiveness of European regions and cities for residents and visitors
- EU LUPA/European patterns of land use
- TRACC/Transport accessibility at regional/local scale and patterns in Europe
- SGPTDE/Secondary growth poles in territorial development
- GEOSPECS/European perspective on specific types of territories
- KIT/Territorial dimension of innovation and knowledge economy
- TIGER/Continental territorial structures and flows (globalisation)
- ESaTDOR/European seas in territorial development
- SeGI/Services of general interest
- ARTS/Territorial and Regional Sensitivity of EU Directives
- SIESTA/Territorial contribution to the Europe 2020 Strategy

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Task 4: Feedback on national activities

Project Partner 1 (BBSR, DE)

Dissemination of results, information and publications

August 2011 BBSR ESPON Aktuell 02/2011 newsletter:

- Information on calls of 24.08.11
- Support on TPG building
- Information on ESPON
- Preannouncements of ESPON SCALES events

December 2011 BBSR ESPON Aktuell 03/2011 newsletter:

- Start of German ECP activity relate to the Presentation of ESPON projects in Germany – Portrait and activities of German ESPON partner
- Presentation of the project ESPON SCALES
- Retrospect: Conference on "Urban-Rural Relations" in Budapest, Hungary
- Retrospect: Conference on "Polycentric territorial development" in Luxembourg
- Announcements of ESPON Scales seminars "Economy, Innovation and Accessibility" in Bern, an "Risk management, Climate Change and Culture in Vienna
- Report of the Internal ESPON Conference 2011 in Krakow
- Announcement of new project proposals
- ESPON publications – ordering in the BBSR and online

August 2012 BBSR ESPON Aktuell 01/2012 newsletter:

- Announcement of final SCALES seminar in Berlin
- Retrospect: Seminar on "Economy, innovation and accessibility" in Bern, Switzerland
- Retrospect: Seminar on "Risk management, climate change and culture" in Vienna, Austria
- Retrospect: ESPON Open Seminar in Aalborg, Denmark
- Information about new ESPON Atlas project
- Information about new ESPON projects
- Information about new ESPON reports

Production of material in national language on ESPON results

December 2011: Draft Report of Themenheft 1 „Energie und Klima“ aus der Reihe: „Deutschland in Europa - Ergebnisse des ESPON-Programms 2013 aus deutscher Sicht

Other activities

ongoing – peaks in August and September 2011: advisory service for German institutions interested in ESPON, support of partner finding, introduction to ESPON philosophy and tendering procedures

Project Partner 2 (University of Luxembourg , LU)

- Newsletter dedicated to new publications, current calls and events (newsletter also referring to SCALES seminars)
- Organisation of a conference once a year
- Update of the ESPON contact point website: espon.lu
- Presentation of ESPON results in conferences xyz

Project Partner 3 (ARE, CH)

- Regular newsletters on upcoming ESPON calls and events
- Newsletters in 2011 and 2012 announcing ESPON SCALES Seminars
- Update of national ESPON website www.espon.ch
- Advisory service for Swiss institutions interested in ESPON, supporting partner / TPG finding etc.

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Project Partner 4 (ÖROK, AT)

- Announcement of ESPON calls on the ÖROK Website (www.oeork.gv.at; www.espon.at)
 - Information about ESPON projects and events on the ÖROK Website and the ÖROK newsletter
 - Publishing of ESPON publications on the ÖROK Website and the ÖROK newsletter
 - Organization of the ESPON SCALES seminar in Vienna
 - Information about the ESPON Programme and SCALES project to the permanent subcommittee (STUA) of the Austrian Conference on spatial planning (ÖROK)
 - Written report in January 2012
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Project Partner 5 (VATI, HU) / Project Partner 6 (ONEP, HU)

1. Feedback to the MC

- Oral report in June 2011.
- Written report in January 2012.
- Oral report in June 2012

2. National networking activity

- Workshops on disseminating the publication “Position and future of Hungary in Europe - ESPON results from Hungarian point of view” (16.02.2012, Budapest), on “Space for the territorial issues and counties 2014-2020” (17.07.2012, Budapest);
- Translation and dissemination of ESPON newsletters (newsletters were sent **2011**: 25.02, 02.06, 26.07 on report of the seminar, 26.08, 14.10, **2012**: 08.02, 27.02, 26.04, 28.06, 27.11);
- E-alerts on the new call for proposals (24.01 and 02.03.2011), on the open seminar in Gödöllő (18.05, 24.05), on the pre-announcement of new call for proposal (11.07.2011), on new call for proposals (24.08.2011);
- Providing information for potential Hungarian project partners;
- Continuous update of contact list;
- Operation and development of the national website.

3. Material in national language on ESPON results

- Position and future of Hungary in Europe - ESPON results from Hungarian point of view: European and national maps, assessment, analysis, recommendations, December 2011; Report on the Open Seminar in Gödöllő in the journal Falu, Város, Régió, 2011;
- General information and Report on the Open Seminar in Gödöllő on the ‘spatialist’ web portal www.terport.hu, 2011.

4. Other activities

- Contribution to the Open Seminar in Gödöllő, June 2011: support of the organization, presentation of the TA – national level, preparation of audiovisual presentation, support of the organization of ESPON project meetings;
- Lectures at universities on the results of the ESPON 2013 Programme, 2011

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General information about the SCALES project is available at
http://www.bbsr.bund.de/cln_032/nn_1250386/BBSR/EN/RP/ESPON/Scales/scales_node.html?_nnn=true

TPG

- Joint seminar questionnaire

Project Partner 1(BBSR, DE)

- Seminar outline
- Save-the-date email
- Seminar programme for seminar in Berlin on 30 October 2012
- Presentation by Peter Schön (ECP Germany) about ESPON and the SCALES project
- Berlin Seminar Report
- Documentation of the Berlin Seminar on the BBSR website
- Documentation of all project seminars on the BBSR website
- Meeting minutes (for TPG and CU meetings: 10 January 2011 in Luxembourg, 3 February 2011 in Bonn, 28 November 2011 in Krakow, 22 March 2012 in Bonn, 12 June 2012 in Aalborg, 4 October 2012 in Bonn, 4 December 2012 in Paphos)
- presentation by Volker Schmidt-Seiwert: Innovation. Insights from a German perspective (Seminar CH)
- presentation by Volker Schmidt-Seiwert: ESPON project SCALES - Breakdown and capitalisation of ESPON results on different scales (Seminar HU)
- Seminar information available at
http://www.bbsr.bund.de/cln_032/nn_1250386/BBSR/EN/RP/ESPON/Scales/Event_FinalSeminar5_Oct2012Berlin.html

Project Partner 2 (University of Luxembourg, LU)

- Seminar outline
- Save-the-date email
- Seminar programme for seminar in Luxembourg, held on 11.11.11
- Presentation by Tobias Chilla (ECP Luxembourg) about the concept of polycentricity, presentation by Estelle Evrard (ECP Luxembourg) about the usability of ESPON results in Luxembourg and in the Greater Region Luxembourg Seminar Report
- Documentation of the Luxembourg Seminar on the ECP.lu website (publication also on Europaforum website:
http://www.espon.public.lu/fr/actualites/2011/11/25_RetourSurDvmptTerPoly/index.html)
- Seminar report
- Website report
(http://www.espon.public.lu/fr/actualites/2011/11/25_RetourSurDvmptTerPoly/index.html)
- Presentations:
Tobias Chilla: “Interdependence between metropolitan regions and their catchment areas – Reflection from a Luxembourgish perspective”, Seminar Polycentric development at every level: urban-rural relationship ESPON SCALES Seminar on 27 October 2011, Budapest
Estelle Evrard: Economy. Insights from a Luxembourgish perspective, Seminar “Accesibility, Innovation, Economy: Future Spatial Challenges for Switzerland and Europe” on 4 May 2011, Bern

Project Partner 3 (ARE, CH)

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- programme for the Seminar in Bern on 4 May 2012
- Presentation by Marco Kellenberger (ECP Switzerland) about the ESPON KIT Project interim results
- Bern Seminar report
- Evaluation of Bern Seminar questionnaire feedback
- Documentation of the Bern Seminar on the ARE website (<http://www.aren.admin.ch/themen/international/00860/02529/index.html?lang=en>)

Project Partner 4 (ÖROK, AT)

- Seminar outline
- Save the date email to ESPON community
- Seminar programme for the Seminar in Vienna on 4th of June 2012
- Advice of the Vienna Seminar by ÖROK-Newsletter
- Presentation of ESPON program and the ESPON SCALES project by executive director of ÖROK
- Vienna Seminar report
- Documentation of the Vienna Seminar on ÖROK website (<http://www.oerok.gv.at/contact-point/espon/espon-scales-projekt.html>)
- Evaluation of seminar questionnaire feedback

Project Partner 5 (VATI, HU) / Project Partner 6 (ONEP, HU)

- Invitation email for the Budapest seminar on 27 October 2011
- Programme for seminar in Budapest on 27 October 2011
- Presentations on the Budapest seminar on 27 October 2011
- Budapest Seminar Report
- Documentation of the Budapest Seminar on https://www.nth.gov.hu/scales_1/index.htm
- Evaluation of seminar questionnaire feedback

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Type	Country	Country details
A	Highest policy-relevant unit on sub-national level is NUTS 1 level	
	Belgium	
	Germany	
	Portugal (mainland)	
	UK: Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland	
B	Highest policy-relevant unit on sub-national level is NUTS 2 level	
B.1	France (mainland)	NUTS 1 level is an aggregation of NUTS 2 levels, without political relevance
	Greece	
	Italy	
	Netherlands	
	Austria	
	Poland	
	Sweden	
	Spain	
UK: England		
B.2	Denmark	NUTS 1 level is the country
C	Highest policy-relevant unit on sub-national level is NUTS 3 level	
C.1	Czech Republic	NUTS 1 level = country NUTS 2 level only for statistical reasons / administration of structural funds
	Slovenia	
	Slovakia	
	Norway	
	Ireland	
C.2	Bulgaria	NUTS 1 level ≠ country, but only for statistical purposes (?) NUTS 2 level only for statistical purposes (?)
	Switzerland	
	Romania	NUTS 1 level = climatic/ geographical regions NUTS 2 level not of political importance
	Hungary	
Turkey		
C.3	Finland	NUTS 1 level ≠ country, but only statistical purposes (?) NUTS 1 level: mainland Finland plus (tiny) Aland islands
C.4	Lithuania	NUTS 2 level = NUTS 1 level = country

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Annex 3: Types of policy-relevant NUTS scales

Type	Country	Country details
D	Highest policy-relevant unit on sub-national level is below NUTS level	
D.1	Latvia	Small country NUTS 2 level = NUTS 1 level = country
	Estonia	Small country NUTS 2 level = NUTS 1 level = country
D.2	Luxembourg	Very small country
	Liechtenstein	NUTS 3 level = NUTS 2 level =
	Cyprus	NUTS 1 level
	Iceland	Very small country NUTS 2 level = NUTS 1 level NUTS 3 level = Capital + rest of the country
	Malta	Very small country NUTS 2 level = NUTS 1 level NUTS 3 level = the two islands

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Which country do you come from?

(individual choices depending on the seminar)

What is your function?

- scientist
- practitioner
- politician
- civil servant
- other

Which territorial level is your main concern?

- European
- national
- transnational / crossborder
- regional
- local

What is your profession?

- geographer
- spatial planner
- sociologist
- economist
- architect
- other

Have you ever met ESPON?

- yes
- no

If yes: how did you get to know the ESPON programme?

- website, newsletter, media
- colleagues, personal contact
- conference, literature
- other EU programmes
- other sources

Which ESPON project do you find the most useful?

(individual choices depending on the seminar)

Which ESPON project do you find the most interesting?

(individual choices depending on the seminar)

Have you ever used ESPON results in your work?

- yes, often
- yes, at least once
- no, but planning to
- no, and I don't plan to

What do you find the most useful from the ESPON Programme?

- publications
- seminars
- workshops
- newsletters

What do you find the most useful from ESPON deliveries?

- analysis in reports
- maps
- databases
- scenarios

- policy recommendations

Looking at the future: on which topics would you like to have more ESPON results?

- territorial polycentric development
- cities, rural and specific regions
- transborder and transnational functional regions
- competitiveness of local economies
- connectivity
- environmental protection and cultural values of the regions
- other (please specify)

Did the seminar support you in using ESPON results in the future?

- no support (1)
- 2
- 3
- 4
- much support (5)

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