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Training Session 2

"Monitoring Tools"

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Inspire policy making by territorial evidence



Aim of the session

.. identify challenges and needs in terms of territorial monitoring and discuss on how the territorial monitoring tools can contribute to meet these challenges and what do we need in the future...



Questions to be addressed

- What do we want to demonstrate and achieve with territorial monitoring tools?
- How can territorial diversity and benchmarking be measured and integrated?
- How we can capitalise on the experience achieved with the monitoring tools developed within the ESPON Programme?
- Who do we expect to use monitoring tools/results, and for what purpose?
- How can we help to guide users of monitoring tools/results, so as to ensure that they are used in a sound way?
- What type of outputs are expected?



ESPON perspective on monitoring

The objective of ESPON is to support

- Cohesion Policy,
- other sectoral policies,
- ESIF programmes
- and national and regional territorial development policies

through the production, dissemination and promotion of territorial evidence.



ESPON perspective on monitoring

- Integrated territorial approach
- Multiscalar analyses
- Spatial dimension
- Paying attention to functional areas



From observations to policy conclusions

- Resilience of urban and rural regions in the face of the economic crisis
 - → opposite results of the ECR2 project and of the 6th Cohesion Report
- Effect of geographic specificity on socio-economic patterns and trends



Mountain regions

(in %)

-38.1

-10

-5

-2.5

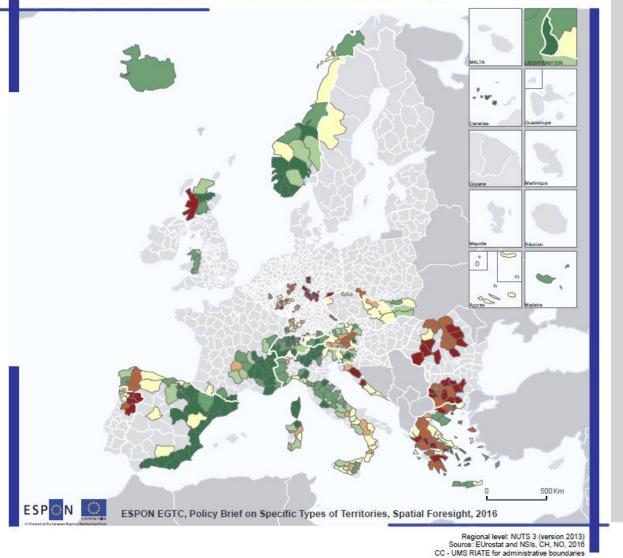
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48.2

Population development 2001-2015 - Mountain regions





Island regions

(in %)

+21.0

+2 %

-2 %

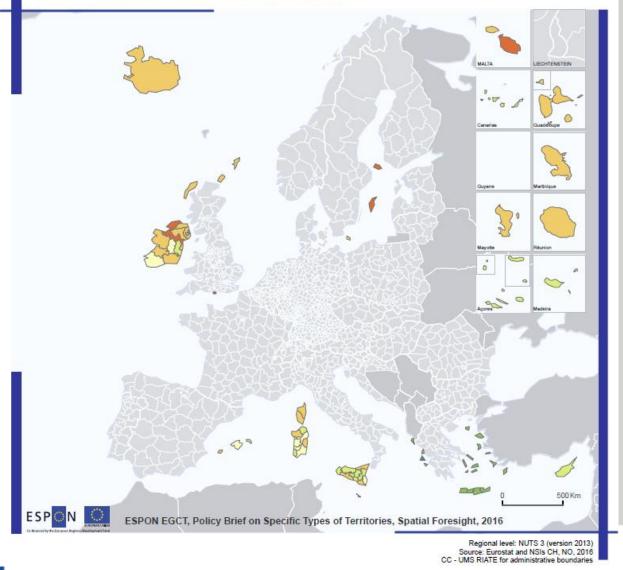
-12.5 %

-31.7 %

-25 %

+12.5 %

GDP change 2010-2013 - Island regions





Underlying assumptions of monitoring

- All regions presumed to strive towards the same objective?
- Regions presumed to be 'functional areas'?
- Regions presumed to be `performing organisations'?
- Regions presumed to be dependent on creation of wealth within their borders for their prosperity?