

## The uses of Institutional Mapping for understanding territorial interrelations

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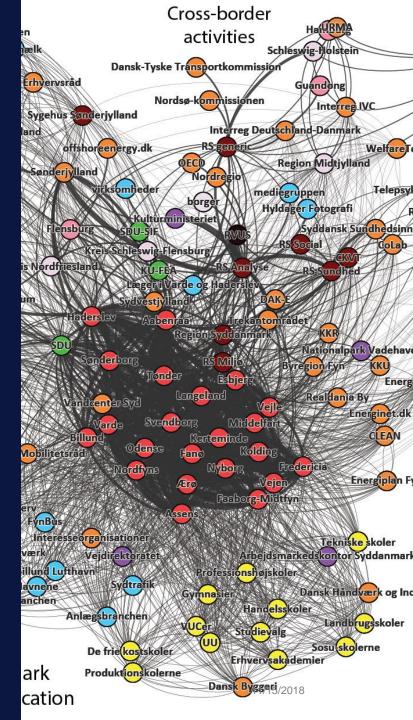
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#### **Outline**

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- Reflections



## The changing nature of spatial development

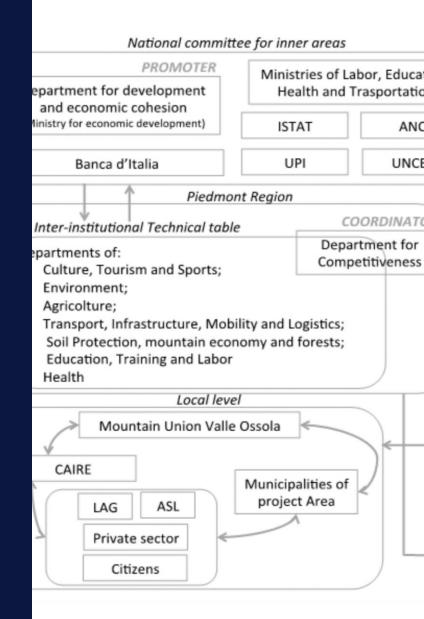


#### Institutions and territorial interrelations

- Cities and regions increasingly develop across functional areas
- Produce complex institutional arrangements
  - Assemblages of actors, conventions, norms and regulations
- Institutional arrangements create spatially diverse systems; and
- Connect past, present and future to explain economic performance
- How to systematically analyse institutional arrangements?



#### **Institutional Mapping**



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#### **Principles of Institutional Mapping**

- Institutional Map (IM): visual representation of groups and organisations in a community
  - Displays existing governance structures and highlight relationships between actors
- General principles:
  - Information for the IMs can be drawn from various sources.
  - 2. Each institutional *milieu* is likely to be different to others
  - 3. Past issues are likely to impact current institutional arrangements
- Reasons to employ
  - a. Methodological
  - b. Comparative
  - c. Knowledge co-creation



# Institutional Mapping in practice: The ESPON ReSSI project

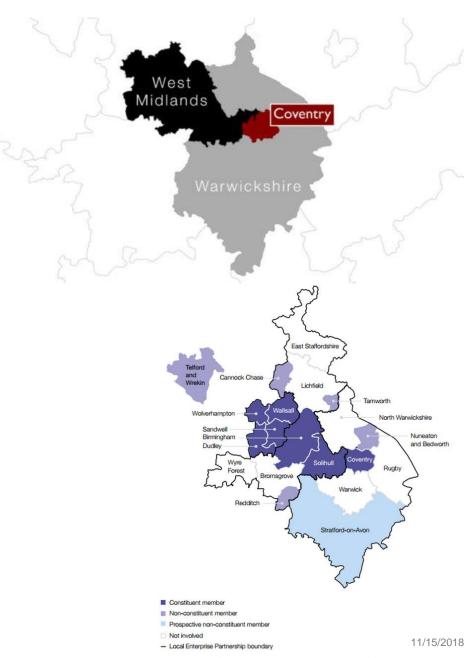


#### The ReSSI project

- ESPON ReSSI: Regional Strategies for Sustainable and Inclusive Territorial Development
- Explore good practice in local and regional development
- How to promote sustainable and inclusive regional strategies?
  - Changing role of Local Authorities and growing number of stakeholders
- What is good practice in delivering economic development policy?
  - In the context of new governance frameworks

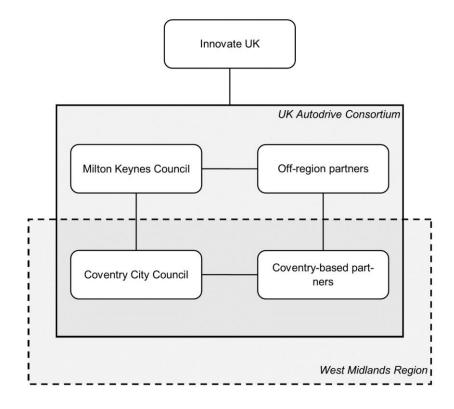
#### The UK Autodrive project

- Project aims to:
  - Increase public awareness of autonomous vehicle and connected car technologies
  - Enable cities to understand how to benefit from automated transportation
- Funded by Innovate UK, match-funded by automotive industry



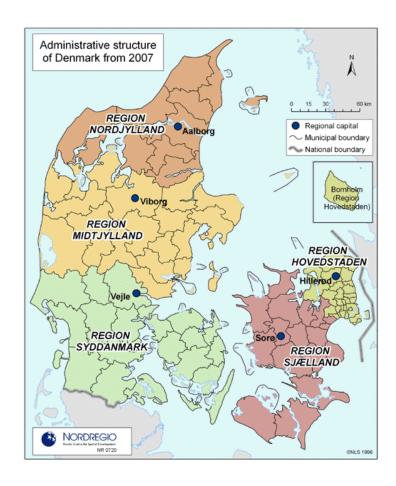
#### Simplified Institutional Map

- Existing, successful cooperation
- Stakeholder aims to understand how
  Coventry and the West Midlands region
   can benefit from the project
- IM highlights the regional and territorial dynamics
- Visual representation of how to maximise knowledge retention and value for the city
- Potential to involve West Midlands Combined Authority



### The Regional Growth and Development Strategy

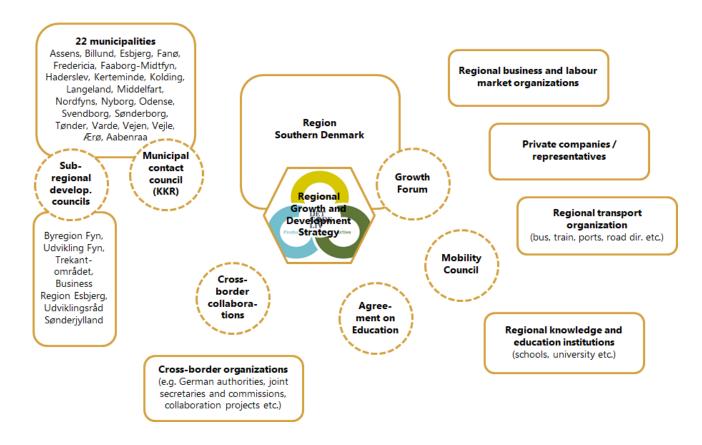
- Regional growth strategy of the Region of Southern Denmark
- Built around a key concept
  - The Good Life as a Driver of Growth
- Regional authority as a key provider of information to stakeholders
  - Territorial trends and challenges
  - Creation of new perspectives
- Provision of information as a building block of trust and legitimacy



#### **Institutional Map**

- Depicts actors and their proximity to the strategy
  - Creators of the strategy: RSDK, Growth Forum
  - Implementers of the strategy: all others
- Highlights how stakeholders away from the Strategy are crucial to its success
- Knowledge provision as a mechanism to build trust, drive agenda, bridge distance between stakeholders

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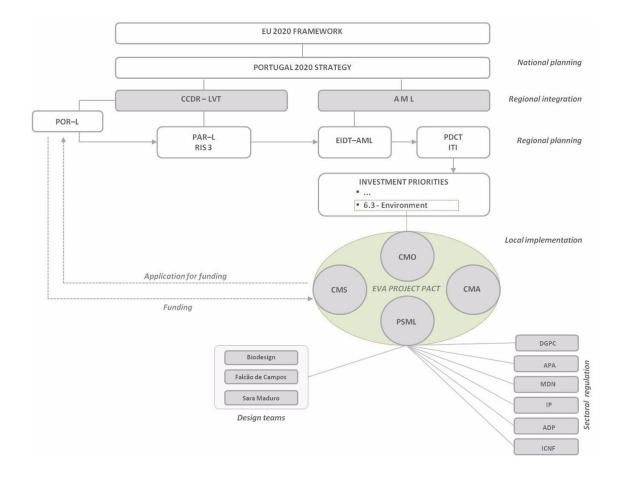
#### The Green and Blue Corridor project

- Project to create a 10km² park
- Shared by 3 municipalities: Sintra, Amadora and Oeiras
  - "...each municipality works like an island, it is like an archipelago" (Interviewee)
- 1 coordinator organisation, Sintra Parks (PSML)
- 3 design teams



#### **Institutional Map**

- Required cooperation between large number of stakeholders, all with individual policy priorities
- Large amount of potential pinch-points
- Focus on consensus-building
  - Multi-stakeholder deliberative meetings
  - Focus bite-size action, rather than ambitious territorial planning strategies





#### Reflections



#### One tool, multiple uses

- IMs can serve many functions in the context of territorial interrelations
  - Identify and manage specific actors' interests and priorities
  - Monitor progress of projects and cooperation
- Important for policy development
- Fundamental for policy evaluation

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#### Thank you

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