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Inspire Policy Making with Territorial Evidence

How to strengthen the links between INTERREG and other funding streams in order to maximise impact

The Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE experimental call

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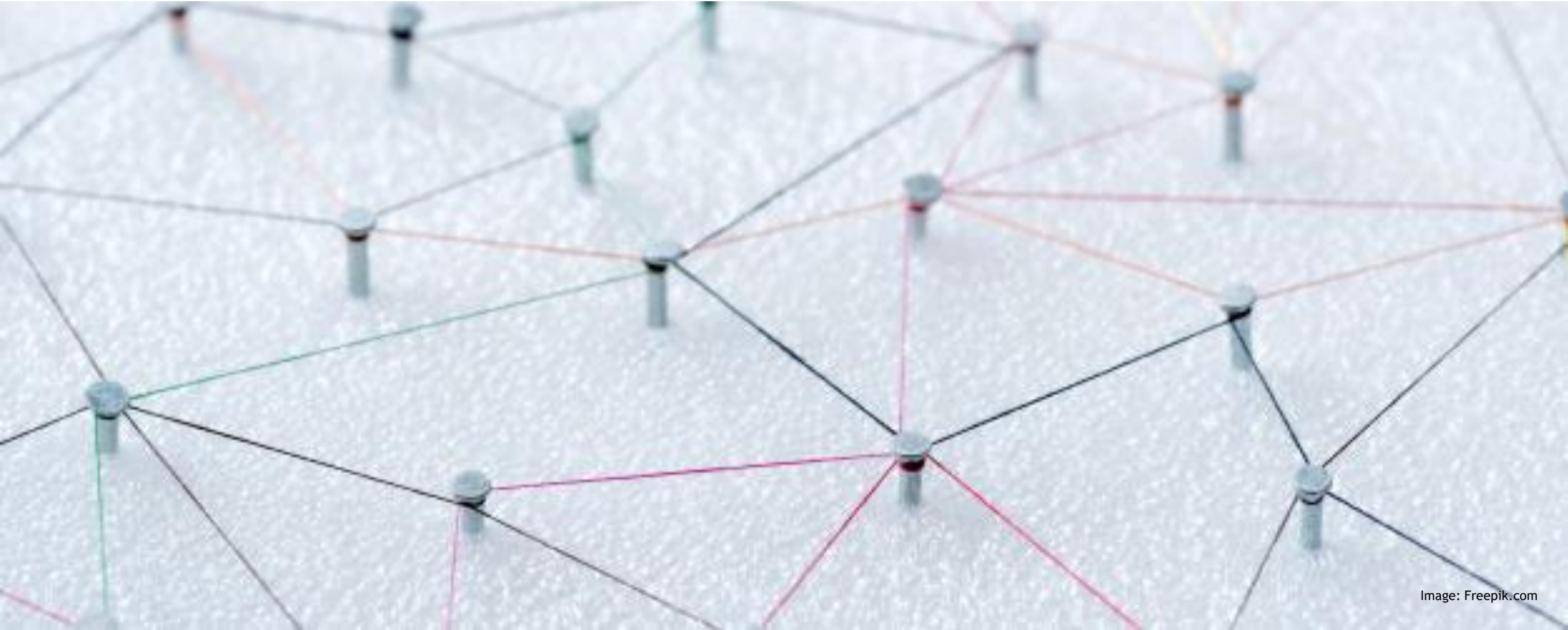
...the Commission and the Member States shall ensure coordination between (...) the ESI Funds and other relevant Union policies, strategies and instruments...

Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, Article 4(6)

To exploit outputs and results for better policy-making (upstream)



To exploit outputs and results for broader impacts (downstream)



The context: who we are and what we do

- > 2 million inhabitants
- 1 to 2 million inhabitants
- Capital cities < 1 million in.



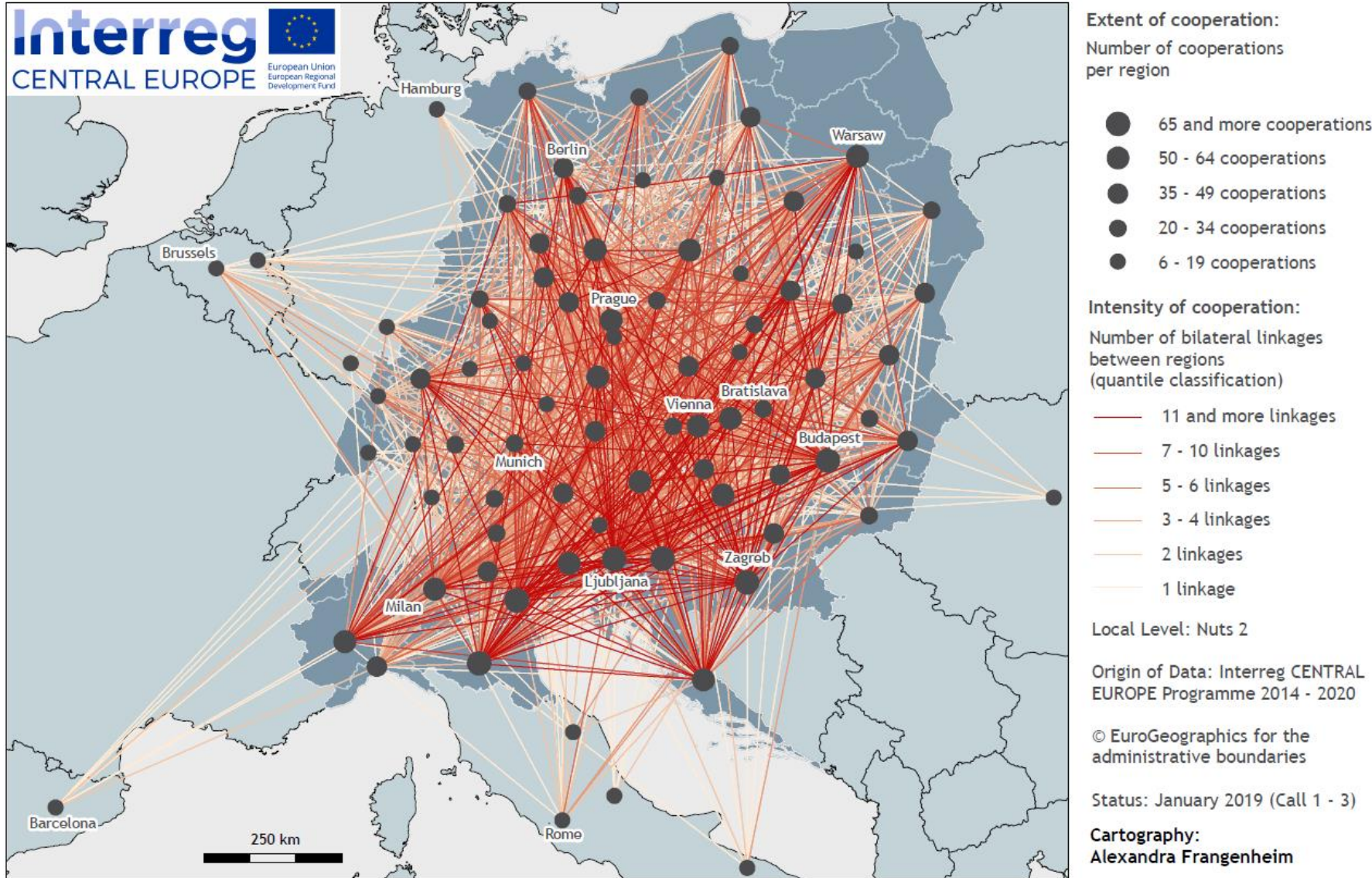
The Area

- 9 countries
- 76 NUTS2 regions
- 8 capital cities
- 7 cities above 1 million inhabitants
- 146 million inhabitants

The Programme

- 246 million EUR ERDF (2014-20)
- 129 projects approved (call 1-3)
- 1330+ partners involved
- 99% of the funds allocated

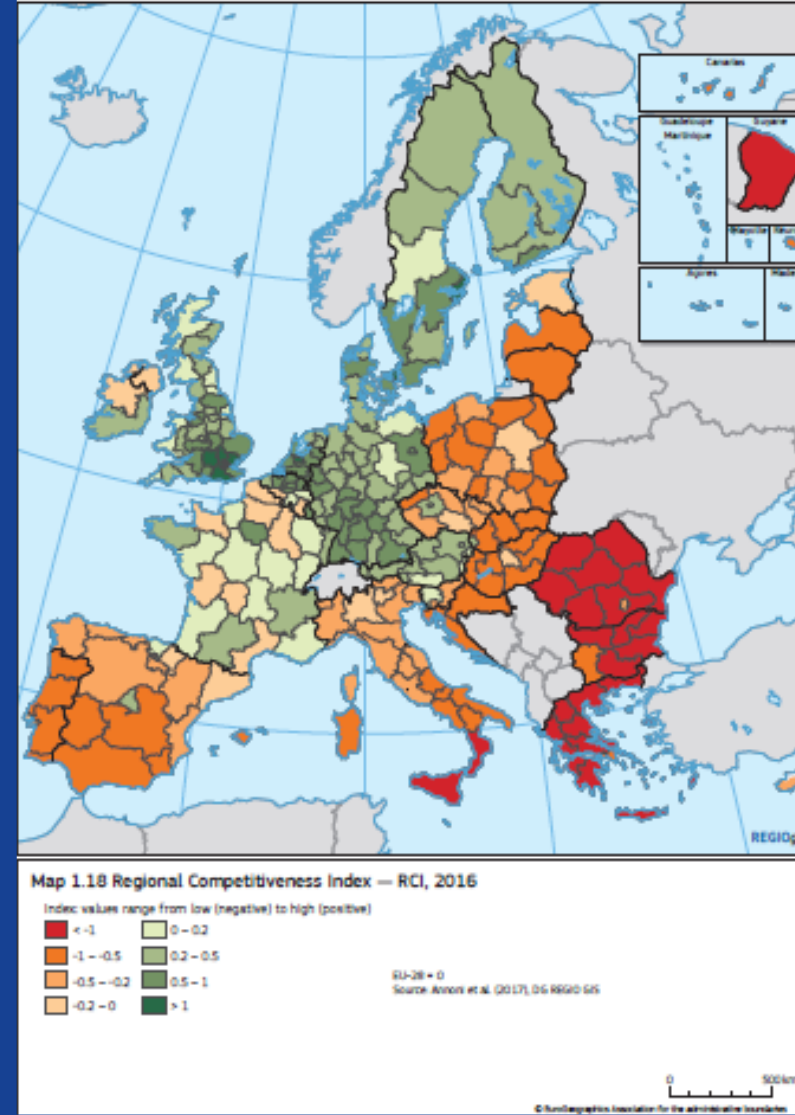
Cooperation links in the Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE Programme



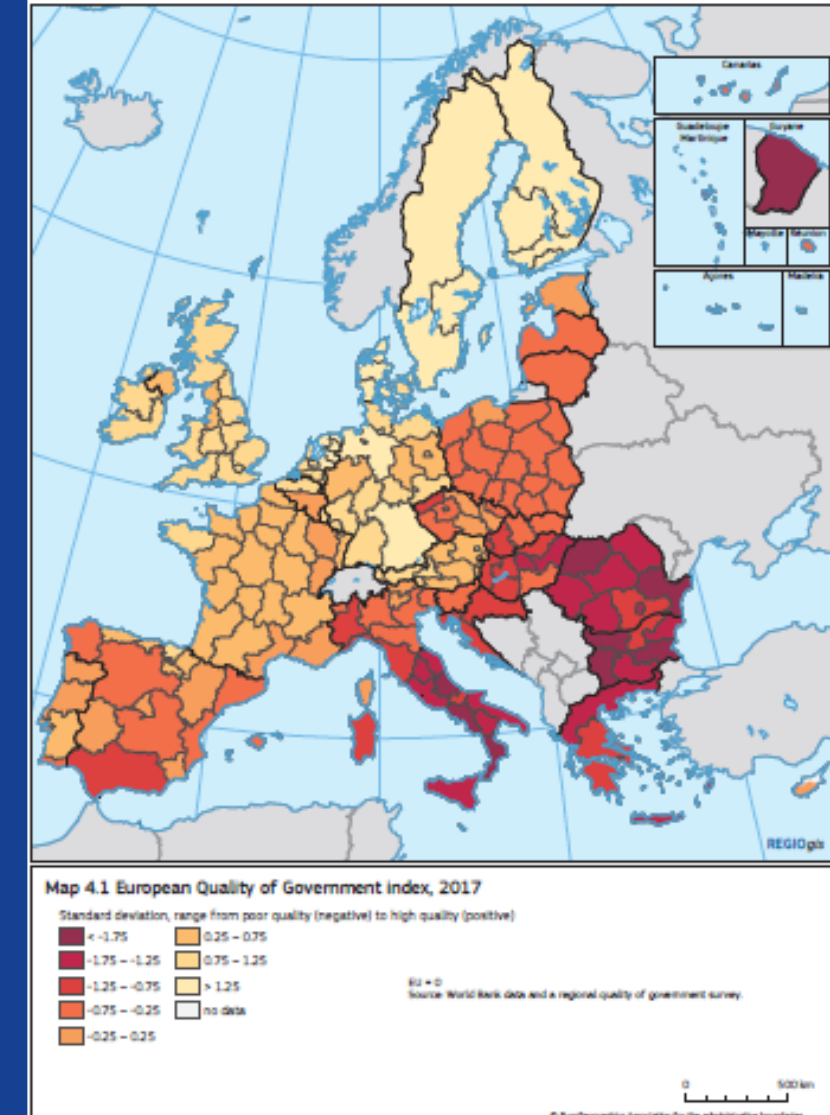
Projects are building strong and long lasting cooperations...

...in an area where old divides still exist and new ones are on the rise

Regional competitiveness index (2016)



Quality of government index (2017)



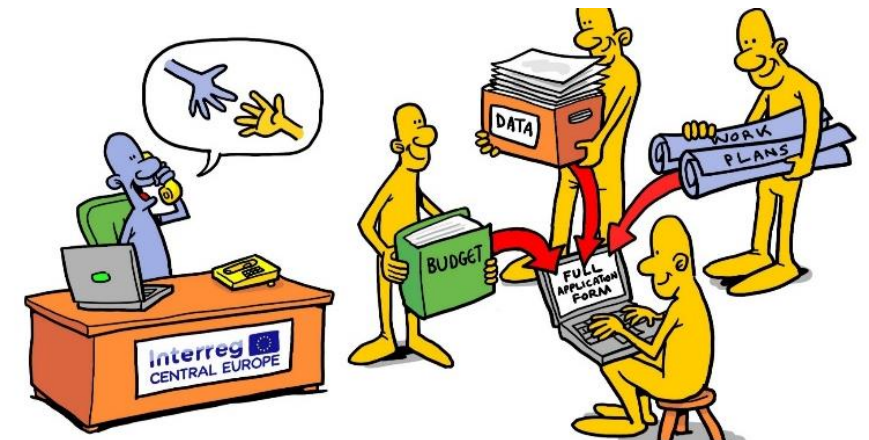
(7th Cohesion Report)

Vision for the fourth call

Increasing the impact of transnational cooperation projects in the regions

through

- **Exploitation** of existing outputs and results...
- ...in **coordination** with other EU instruments (beyond the Interreg bubble)



Coordination: Why and with whom?

- Projects developing European excellence, often not easily accessible for regions and their stakeholders (SMEs, public authorities, NGOs, ...)



- Projects funded by directly managed EU programmes (H2020, LIFE, CEF, ...)
- (Specific collaboration with DG RTD)





To focus the call

On the basis of an analysis of:

- Challenges and needs of the regions
- Potentials for exploitation and coordination



The analysis

STEP 1: desk

- **Relevance** to CE territorial challenges with a focus on demonstration effects
- **Potential** for synergies and impact
- **Possibility** of taking up results from other (R&D&I) projects



Identify thematically relevant clusters with a critical mass of projects

STEP 2: survey

- **Involvement** in (research) projects and level of research results up-take
- **Interest** in exploiting own results in coordination with (research) projects
- **Need** for support actions



Identify the exploitation potential, interest and experience with uptake of (research) results

Step 1: Thematic focus is on 7 topics



P.1 INNOVATION

I. Industry 4.0/advanced manufacturing

II. Social entrepreneurship



P.2 LOW-CARBON

III. Energy efficient renovation of public buildings

IV. Low-carbon mobility and urban air quality



P.3 ENVIRONMENT & CULTURE

V. Climate change adaptation and risk prevention

VI. Cultural heritage sites and buildings at risk



P.4 TRANSPORT

VII. Accessibility of peripheral and border regions to TEN-T CNC networks/nodes

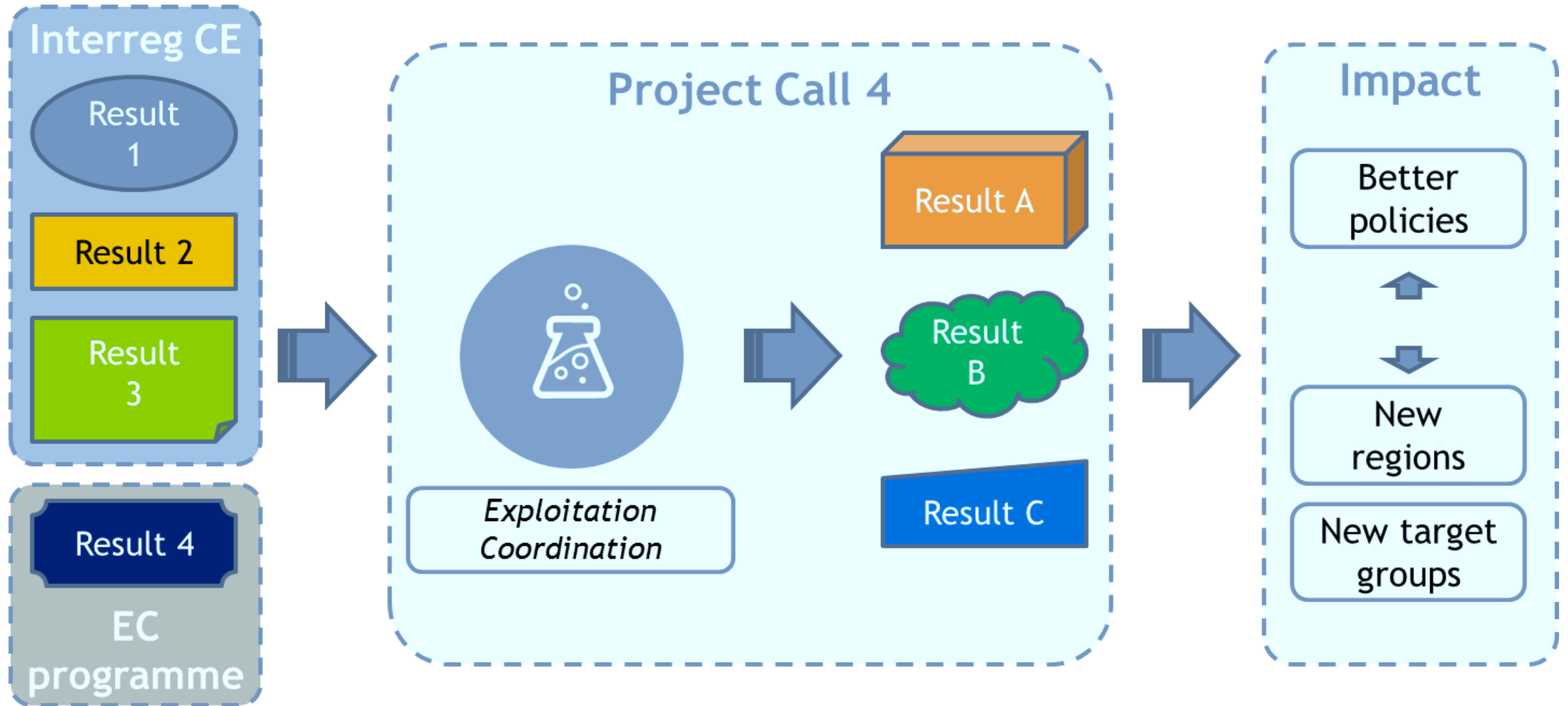
Step 2: There is high interest in exploitation and coordination

Interreg CE stakeholders

1. Consider **coordination with (R&I) projects important** and want to exploit their results in coordination with H2020/FP7 projects, however...
2. The **level of awareness** about exploitable R&I results is low (with exceptions) and...
3. The **level of uptake** of R&I results from projects is also rather low



Exploitation and coordination in practice



To sum up: three key numbers for the call



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SELECTED TOPICS
TO BE FUNDED



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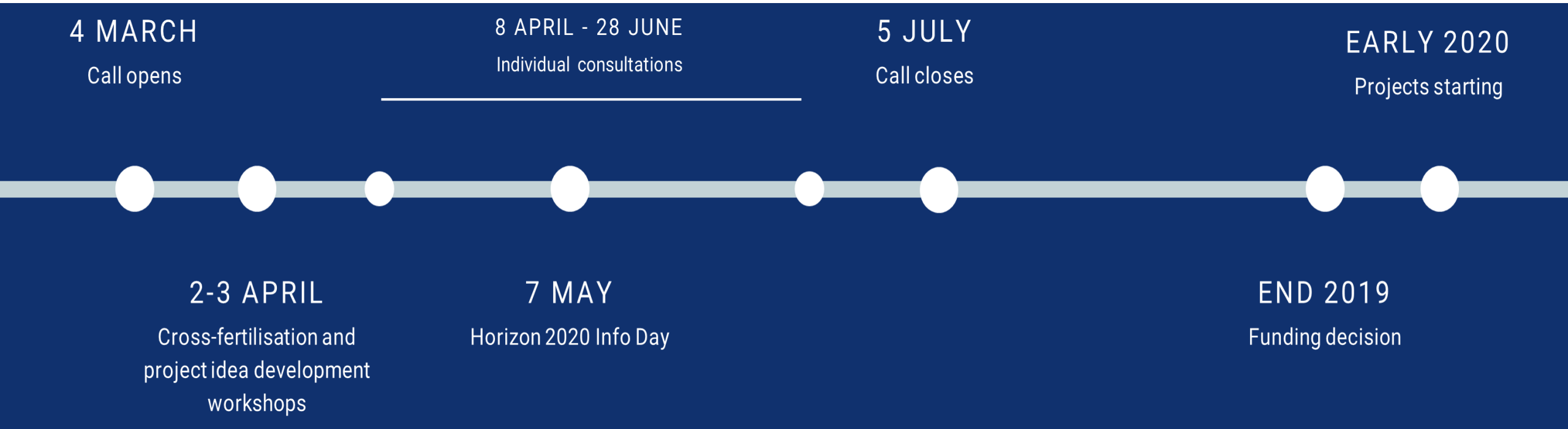
MONTHS OF PROJECT
DURATION (MAXIMUM)



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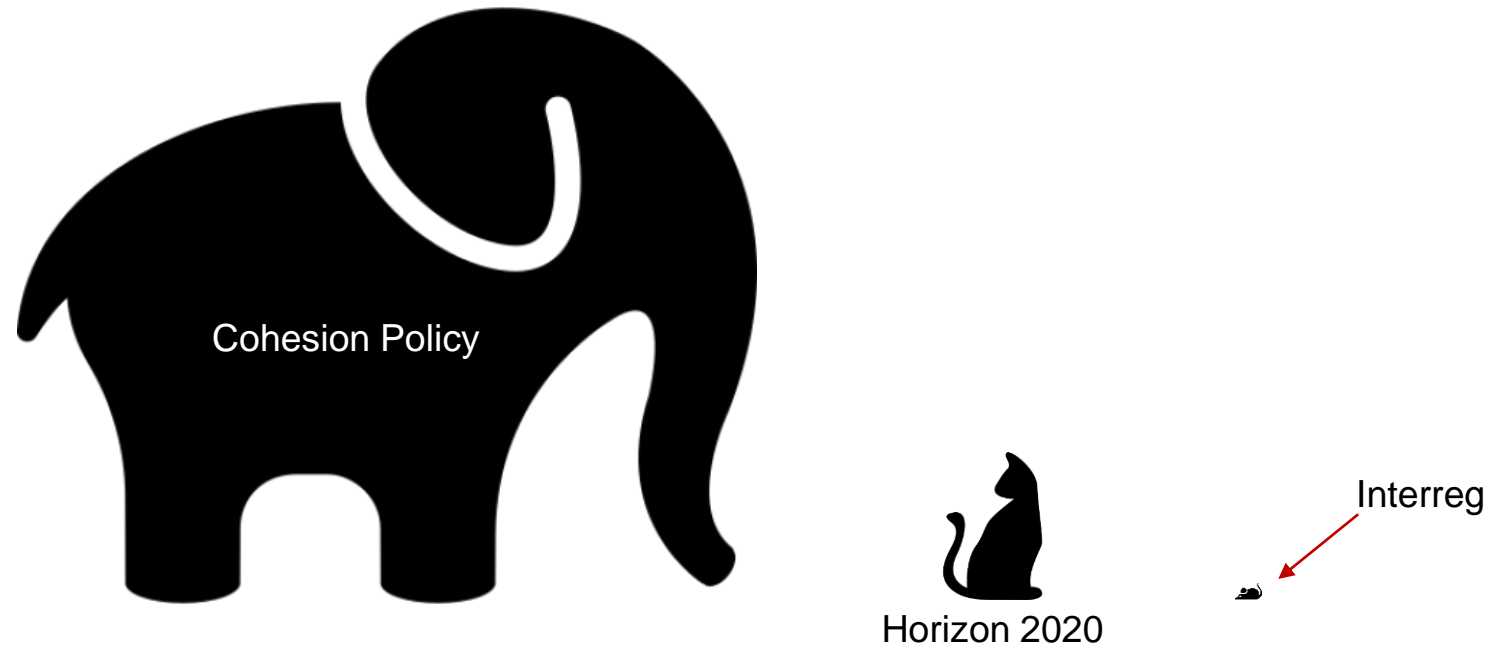
MILLION EUR
(INDICATIVE BUDGET)

Timeline of the call



To conclude: Coordination = impact?

- Interreg alone is not enough to make a change!



- Interreg transnational cooperation is the seed for **larger (and better) investments** in regions

The way forward

- **Coordination is a must** for the future programmes after 2020
- The Interreg CE fourth call can be a testbed for a **new impact-driven coordination mechanism** between different EU instruments

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