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Progress on further themes of applied
territorial research by the ESPON 2013
Programme



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First 6 Themes of Applied Research (P1)

- Cities and Urban Agglomerations/Functionality and development opportunities for European competitiveness and cohesion
- Development Opportunities in different types of Rural Areas
- Demography and Migratory Flows affecting European regions and cities
- Effects of Rising Energy Prices on Regional Competitiveness
- Territorial Impact Assessment of Policies (exploratory)
- Climate Change and Territorial Effects on regions and local economies

Next 11 Themes of Applied Research (P1)

- Attractiveness of European regions and cities for residents and visitors
- European patterns of land use
- Territorial cooperation in transnational areas and across internal/external borders
- Accessibility at regional/local scale and patterns in Europe
- Secondary growth poles in territorial development
- European perspective on specific types of territories
- Territorial dimension of innovation and knowledge economy
- Continental territorial structures and flows (globalisation)
- Services of General Interest
- Sea use and maritime inter-linkages
- Regional sensitivity of selected EU Policies

Use of ESPON results in Targeted Analysis (P2)

- 6 Targeted Analysis based on ESPON results (P2):
 - The Case for Agglomeration Economies in Europe/CAEE
 - The Development of the Islands – European Islands and Cohesion Policy/EUROISLANDS (TCAP1)
 - Cross-Border Polycentric Metropolitan Regions/MetroBorder (TCAP1)
 - Success for Convergence Regions' Economies/SURE
 - Spatial Scenarios: New Tools for Local-Regional Territories/SS-LR
 - Territorial Diversity/TD (TCAP1)

Next Targeted Analysis (P2)

Call for Proposals:

- Potential of Rural Regions/PURR (TCAP1)
- Transnational Support Method for European Cooperation/ TranSMec
- Cross-border spatial strategies/Ulysses

Call for Expression of Interest:

- (Up to) 10 new project ideas

Actions related to Scientific Platform (P3)

- Actions part of Scientific Platform (P3):
 - ESPON 2013 Database
 - Territorial Indicators/Indices
 - Typology Compilation
 - ESPON Hyperatlas (update)
 - ESPON DataNavigator (update)
 - ESPON Online Mapping
 - Visualisation and cartographic language (update)
 - Trends by update of existing maps:
 - Population development and Migration (done)
 - Accessibility of air and multimodal transport (soon)
 - Lisbon performance
 - Creative labour force
 - Telecom/IT roll-out

Capitalisation (P4)

- Major activities 2009 in capitalising on ESPON results (P4):
 - Media efforts continuing expansion
 - ESPON Website and Intranet development
 - Publications of Territorial Observations
 - Preparation for first ESPON 2013 synthesis report in 2010
 - Open seminar on 3-4 June 2009 in Prague
 - Internal Seminar 2-3 December 2009 in Sweden
 - 1 more open ESPON workshop in 2009
 - Transnational Networking Activity projects (up to 7) implemented by the ESPON Contact Point Network

Progress envisaged by beginning of 2010

- 17 Applied Research projects are in motion
- 9 Targeted Analysis are underway
- 10 Stakeholder Ideas for further projects are in process for the call for proposals in 2010
- 2 (of 3) major Scientific Platform projects will have been set up
- 5 scientific tools is under development
- 5 territorial trends (map updates) are implemented
- Capitalisation actions making ESPON 2013 visible
- Private bodies are participating as partners in project teams

Timing of calls in 2009

- Calls for Proposals and Expression of Interest planned open **later in spring/beginning of autumn 2009**:
 - Call for Proposals on 10-11 Applied Research projects
 - Call for Expression of Interest by stakeholders for Targeted Analysis
 - Call for Proposals for 3 Targeted Analysis
 - Call for Proposal on Territorial Indicators/Indices
 - Call for Proposals for up to 7 Transnational Activities of the ESPON Contact Point Network

More information

Thank you for your attention!

More information on
the ESPON 2013 Programme
can be found on

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