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Promoting a green, smart and just transition in North-West Europe

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The NWE Programme

2014-2020

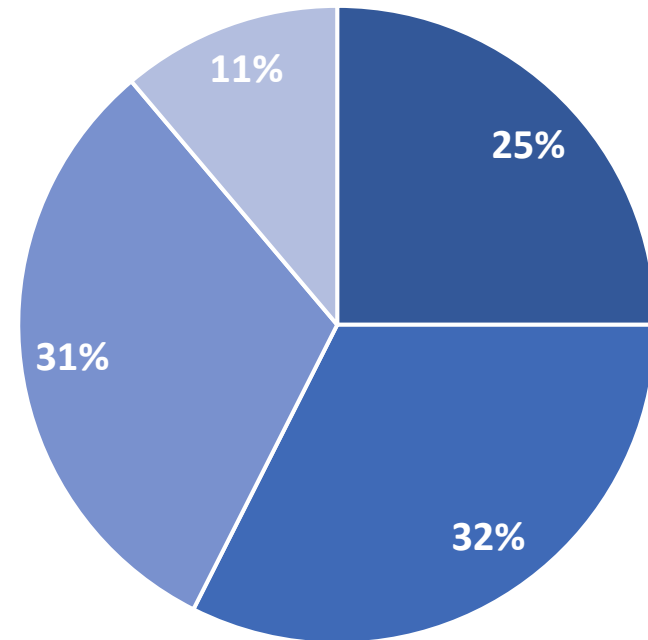
Programme partner breakdown (all countries):

- 30% Higher education and research
- 24% SMEs/Enterprises
- 16% Public authorities (local, regional, national)

Irish Partners Breakdown

Type of partner breakdown (Ireland):





- 25% Higher education and research
- 32% SMEs, Private enterprises
- 31% Public authorities (local, regional, national)
- 11% Interest groups, NGOs, other



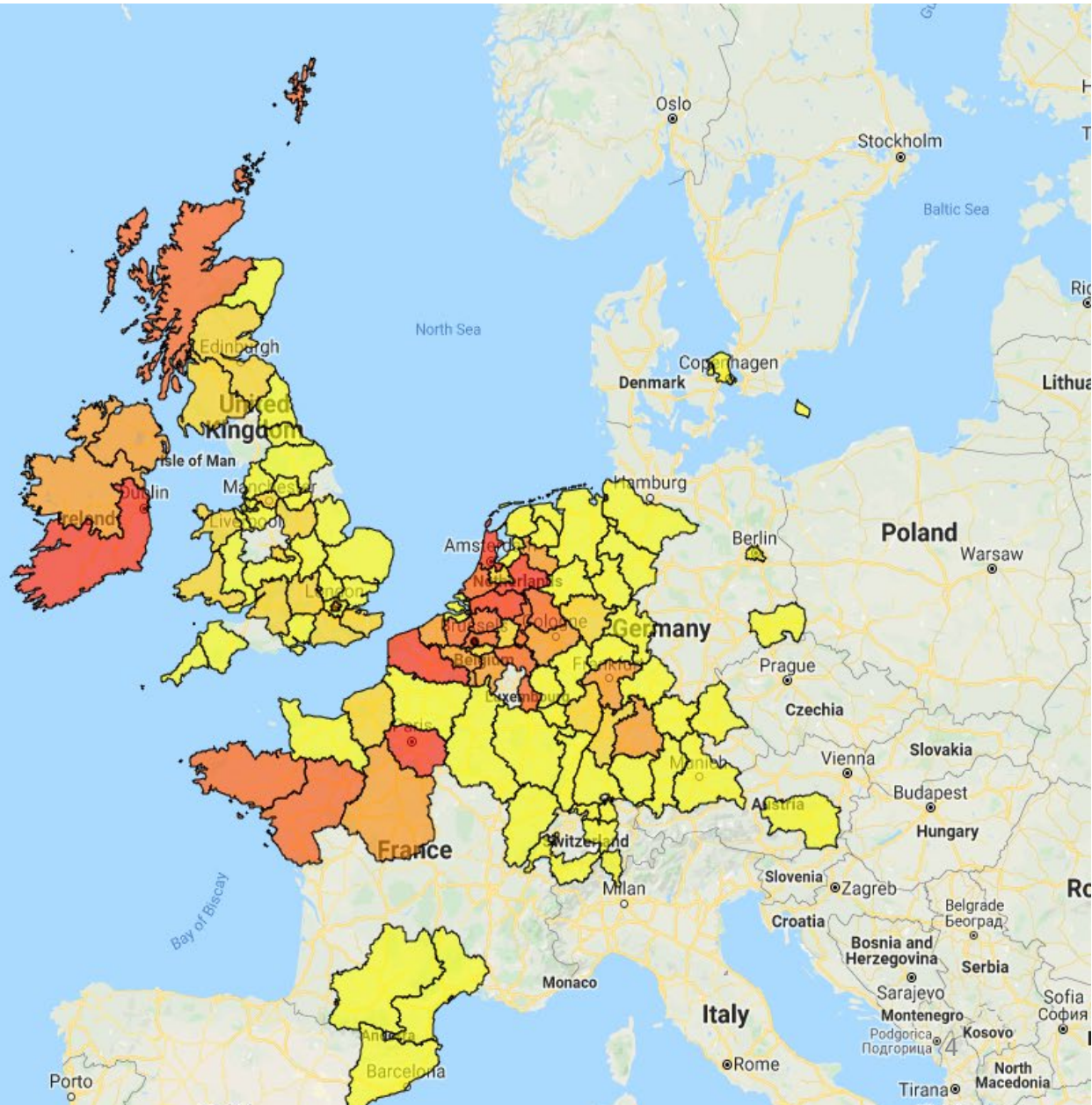
Partner distribution (2014-2020)

Map Satellite

Programme Partner Distribution

Color	Range
	1-5
	6-10
	11-16
	17-30
	31-60

Level 2 nuts










Distribution of funds (2014-2020)

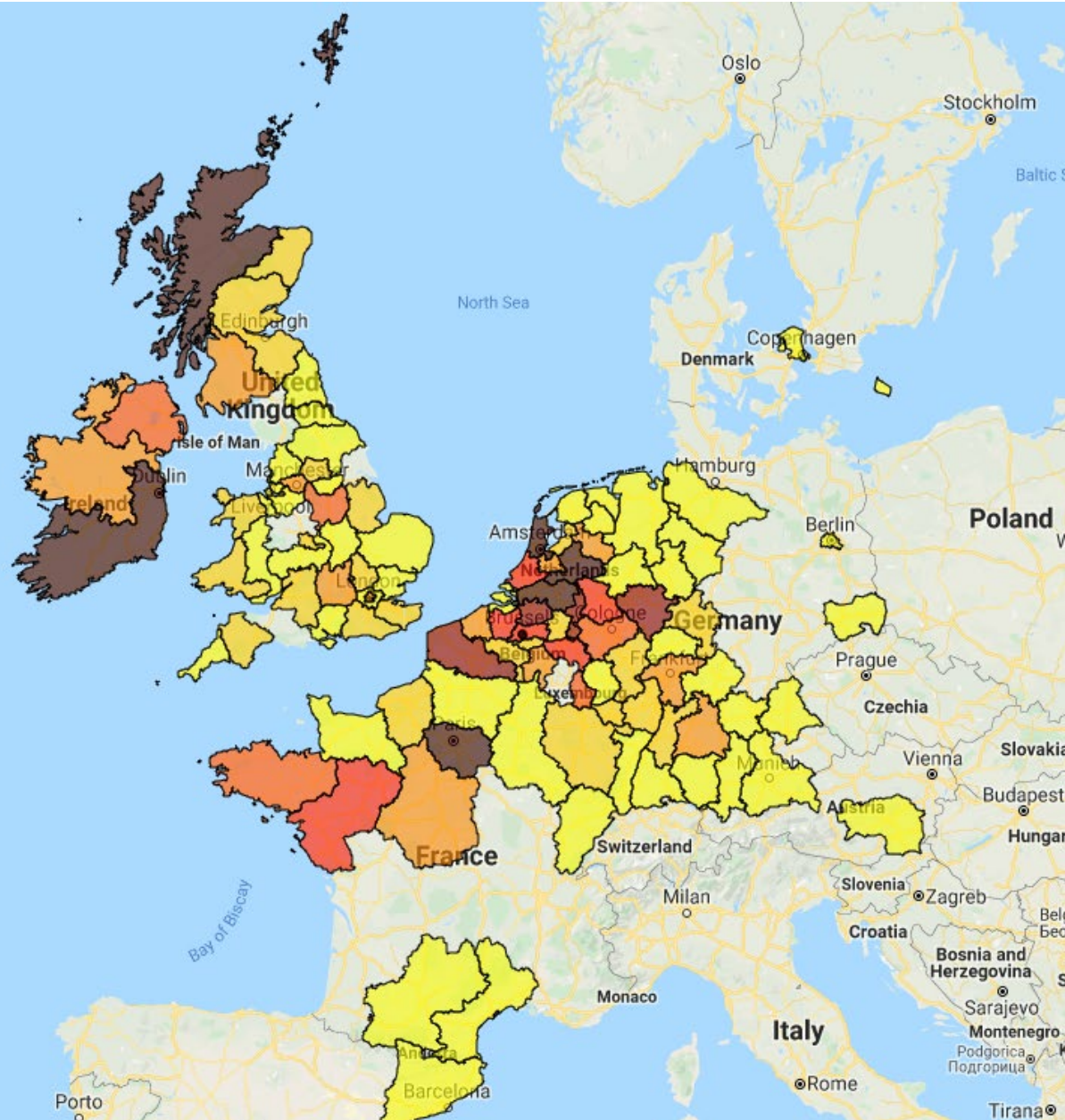
Map

Satellite

Budget(ERDF) Distribution

Color	Range in Million
	0 - 1
	1 - 3
	3 - 5
	5 - 7
	7 - 10
	10 - 12
	12+

Level 2 nuts



NWE making an impact!

Expected results by 2023



23,124
KWH/YEAR

decrease of energy
consumption of
public buildings



133 253
TONS OF CO2

Estimated annual
decrease of GHG
emissions



7639
households with improved
energy classification.

NWE making an impact!

Expected results by 2023



55,480

Citizens
benefiting from
social innovation



3,936

Enterprises
supported



959

Jobs created

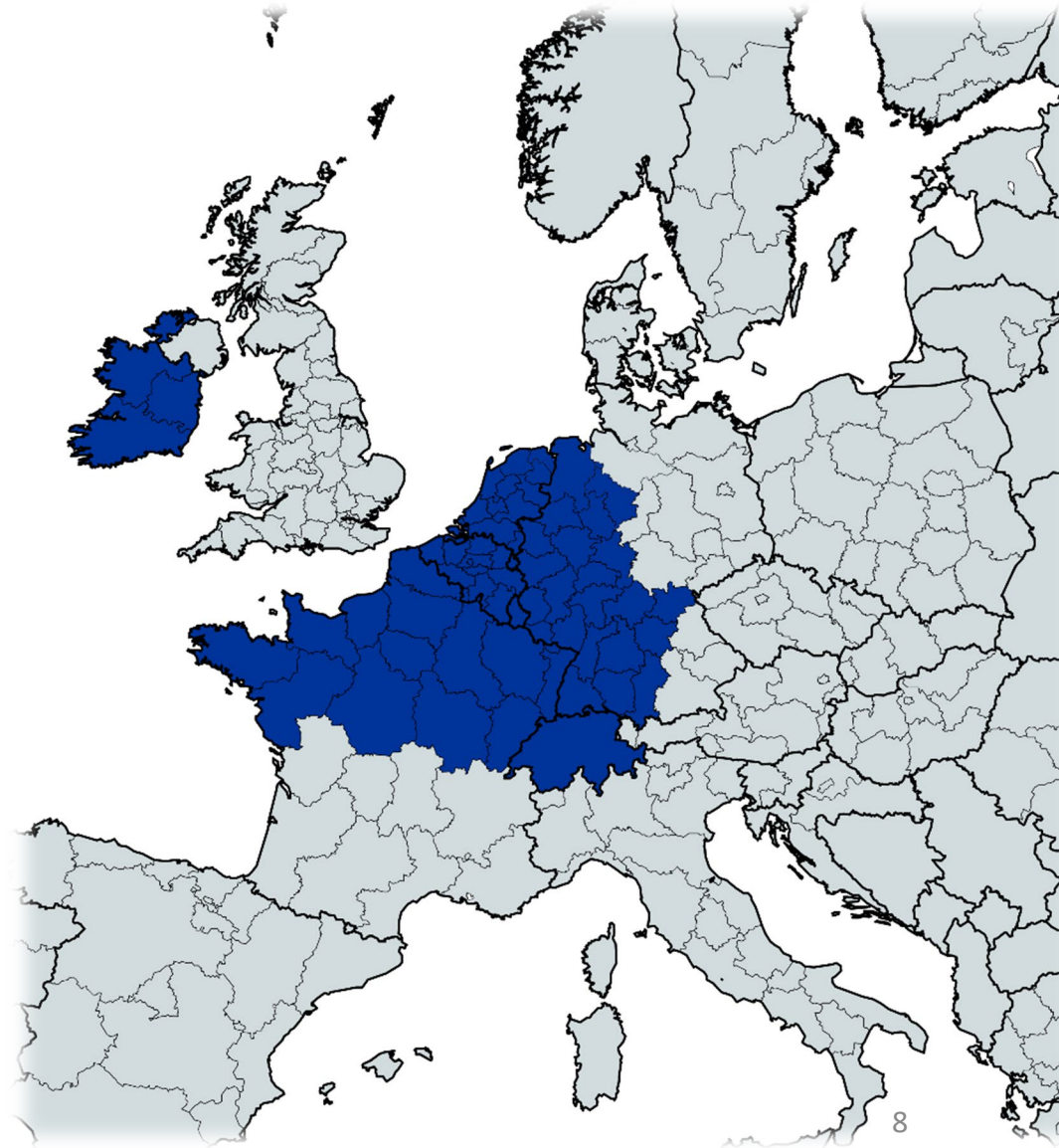
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2021-2027

EU Area covered:
Belgium, France, Germany,
Ireland, Luxembourg, the
Netherlands and Switzerland

New regions:
Germany and NL

Irish area covered:
All counties are eligible



The NWE Programme

2021-2027

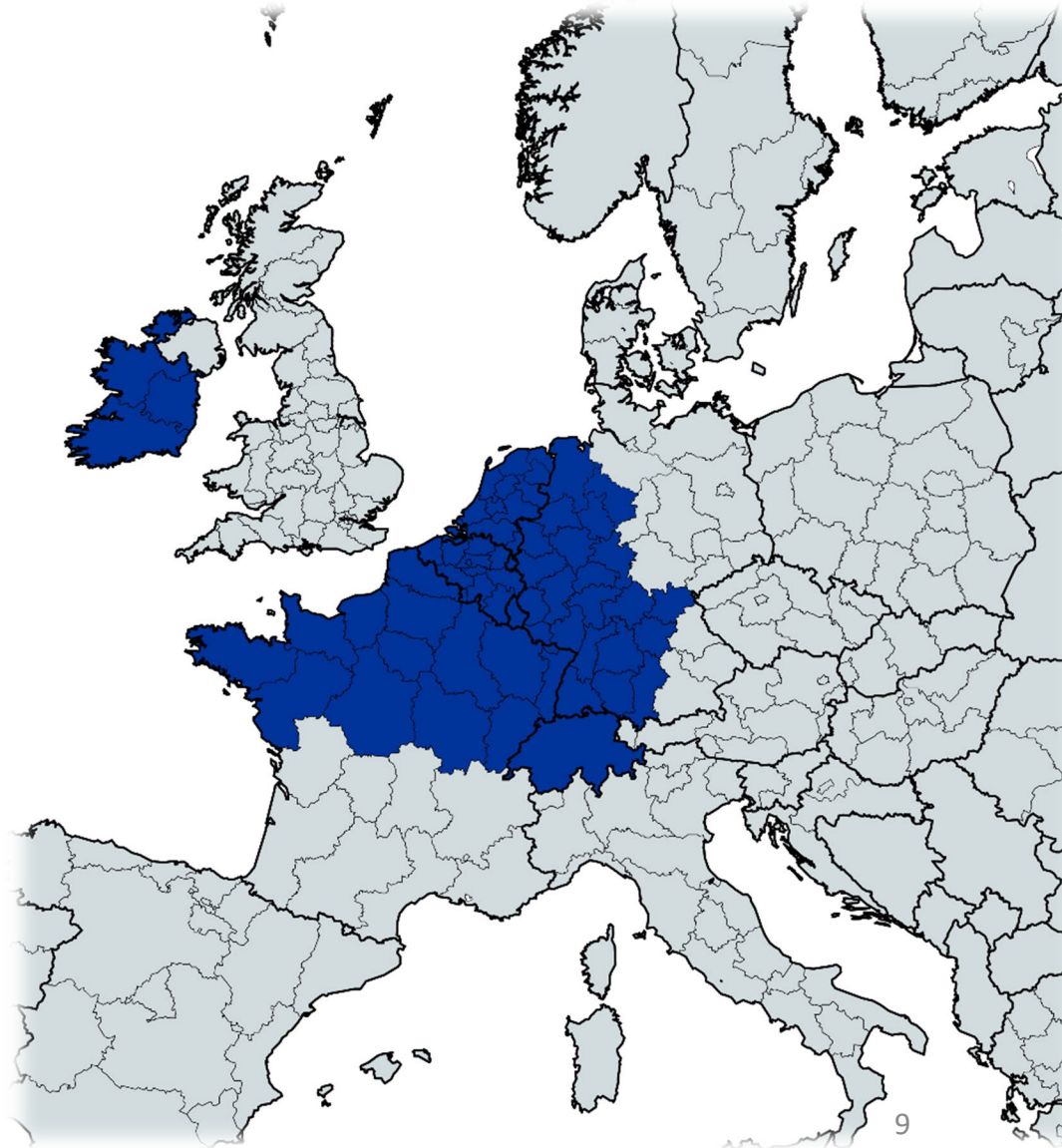
7 countries

Transnational cooperation:
Projects need at least 3
countries, of which 2 are from
the NWE area

Overall budget:
€703 million

EU contribution:
€400 million (60%)

*(40% co-funding required at
project level.)*

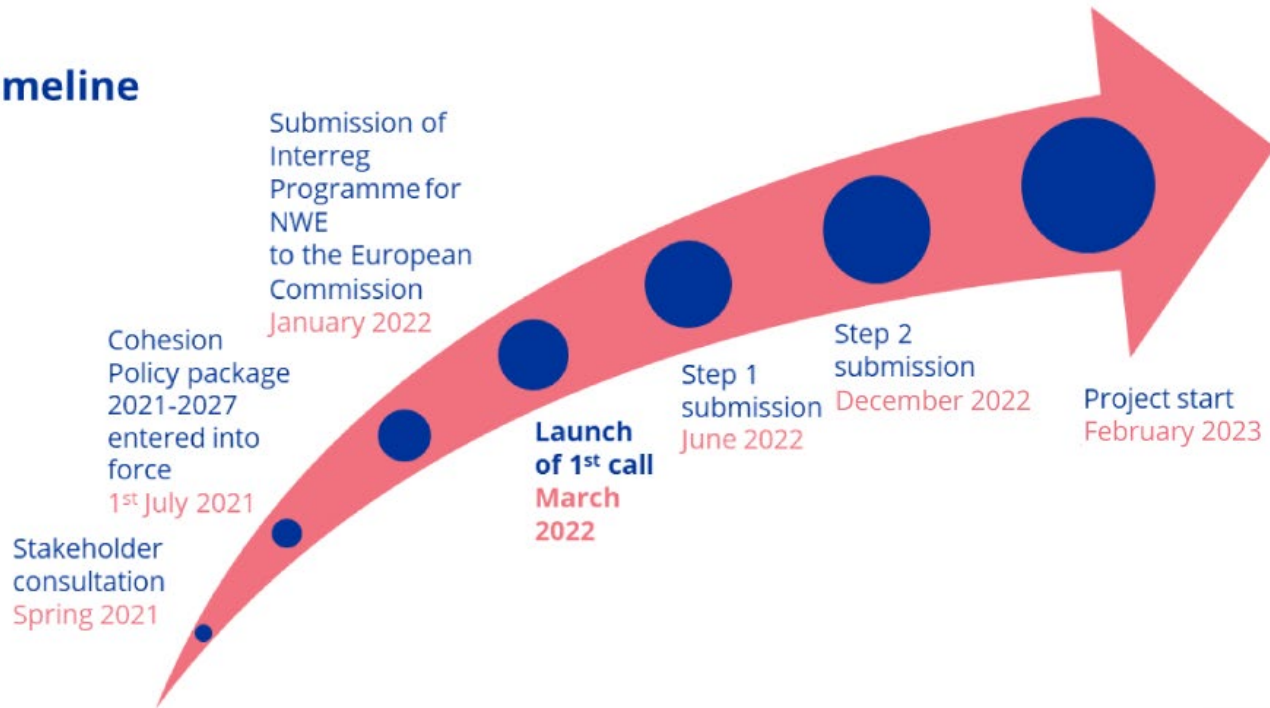


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2021-2027

Process & indicative timeline

Next steps



Thematic focus

2021-2027

Priority areas

1. Climate and environment
2. Energy transition
3. Circular Economy
4. Innovation and resilience
5. Inclusive society



Thematic focus

2021-2027

Priority 1

Climate and Environment

SO 2.7

Enhancing nature protection, biodiversity and reducing all forms of pollution

SO 2.4

Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention resilience

Priority 2

Energy Transition

SO 2.1

Promoting energy efficiency and reducing greenhouse gas emissions

SO 2.2

Promoting renewable energy

Priority 3

Circular Economy

SO 2.6

Promoting the transition to a circular and resource efficient economy

Thematic focus

2021-2027

Priority 4 Innovation and resilience

SO 1.1

Developing and enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies

Priority 5 Inclusive society

SO 4.1

Enhancing the effectiveness and inclusiveness of labour markets and access to quality employment through developing social infrastructure and promoting social economy

SO 4.5

Ensuring equal access to healthcare through developing infrastructure, including primary care, and promoting the transition from institutional to family and community-based care

SO 4.6

Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation

Available here for every SO: <https://www.nweurope.eu/future-nwe-programme/call-1-support-documents/>

Example

Objectives

Within this Specific Objective, the Programme aims

- Develop green/blue infrastructure to ensure ecosystems and prevent the loss of biodiversity
- Embed in strategic ecosystem-based approach corridors, biodiversity, and natural capital.
- Show the benefits of sound green/blue infrastructure effects e.g., heat stress.
- Reduce the incidence of human activities on air

Target groups

- **Local/regional/national authorities, government organisations**, (including agencies or para-public relating to rivers, environment, natural protection, biodiversity protection and green/blue infrastructure more resilient regions.
- **Universities, public research centres, private education, training centres** are highly relevant

Activities

Projects should implement a combination of activities, such as:

- **Elaboration and implementation of joint strategies and/or action plans**, for example, nature management plans for measuring, maintaining, enhancing, and valorising green/blue infrastructure, ecosystem services, biodiversity (e.g., invasive species); or adaptation and mitigation measures at local or regional level with the aim to reduce heat stress and air pollution in the NWE area.
- **Pilot actions for testing tools and/or solutions**, for example demonstration and joint implementation of scalable and replicable solutions to embed green infrastructure and ecosystem-based approach in relevant strategies and measures; or of innovative measures to reduce heat stress by enhancing and installing green and blue infrastructure for adaptation.
- **Capacity building and awareness raising activities** in the field of innovation for resilience, for example, training schemes related to biodiversity, promoting its management, or planning and implementation of environmental protection and nature-based solutions, green / blue infrastructure, etc.

Results

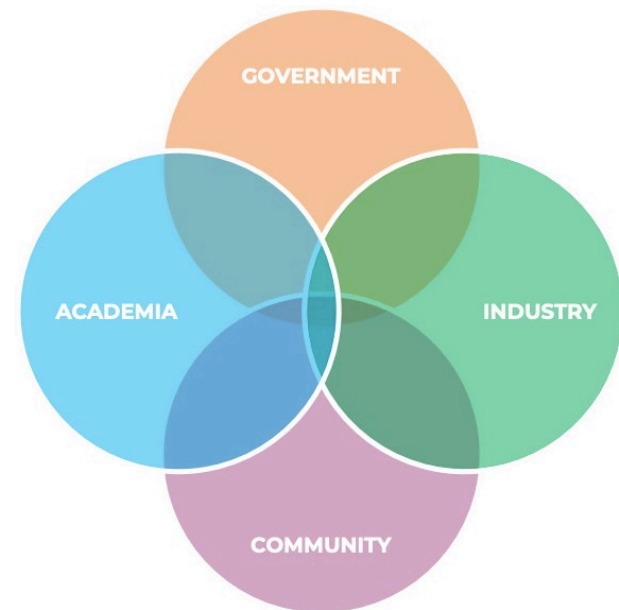
The **combination of these activities** may lead to results such as:

- Key aspects of biodiversity preservation, green/blue infrastructure or heat stress and air pollution better embedded into territorial strategies and local initiatives.
- Increased knowledge and capacity of stakeholders about green/blue infrastructure and biodiversity-enhancing / nature-friendly practices.
- Innovative technologies, solutions, products, and services taken up aiming to prevent or reduce heat stress and air pollution, ensuring coherence between the proposed approaches and local/regional needs.

What makes a good project

Who are we looking for?
(beneficiaries/project partners)

- **Public:** Local/regional/national authorities, governmental agencies, public equivalent organisations
- **Private:** SMEs and business support organisations
- **Academia:** Universities, public research centres, private research units, schools and higher education, training centres
- **Civil Society:** Sectoral associations, NGOs, lobby organisations, citizens groups



What makes a good project

Type of projects:

Project dissemination / roll out / uptake throughout all NWE territories

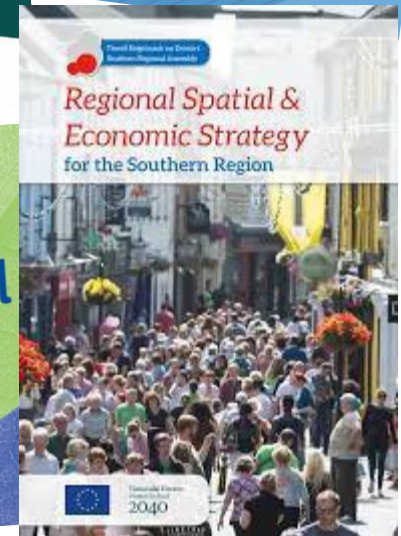
A combination of activities:

- Elaboration and implementation of **joint strategies** or action plans
- Pilot actions for **testing tools / solutions upscaled** and replicated
- Capacity building and **awareness raising activities**

What makes a good project

Clearly defined needs and relevance

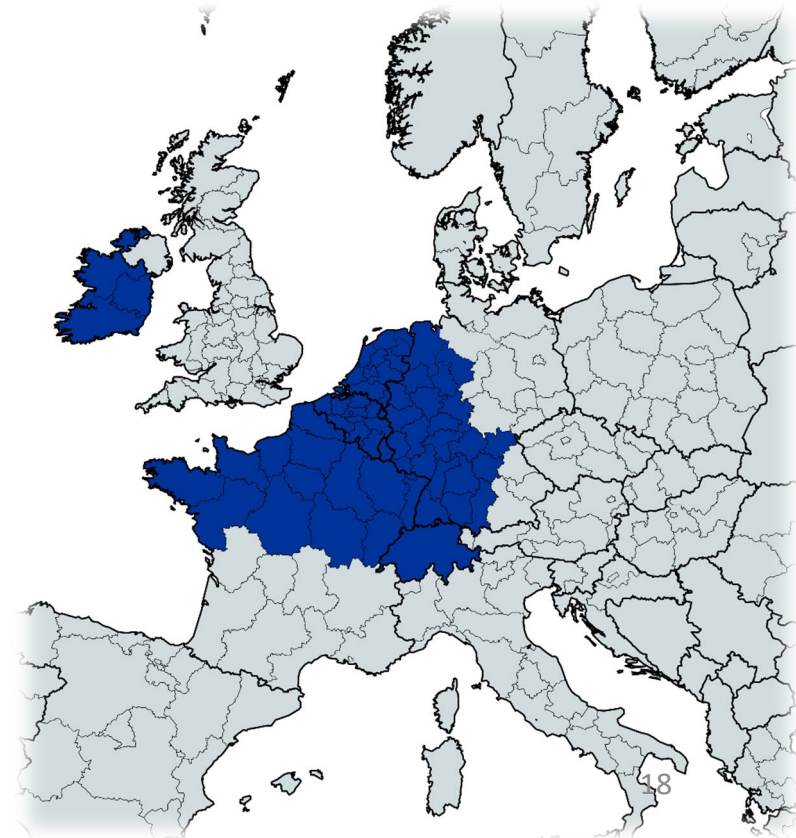
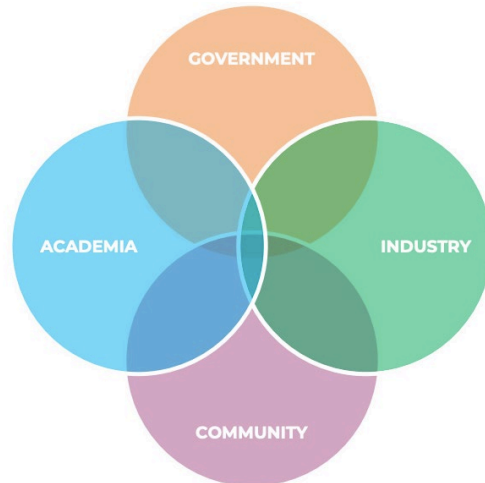
- Specifies why it is **needed**.
- What **territorial challenges and opportunities** it will address?
- What **change** (project results) in NWE territories?
- Identifies the **profile of the territories** it will intervene in (i.e., rural, peri-urban, urban...).
- Embedded in an **overall strategic framework**.



What makes a good project

A balanced partnership and transnational approach

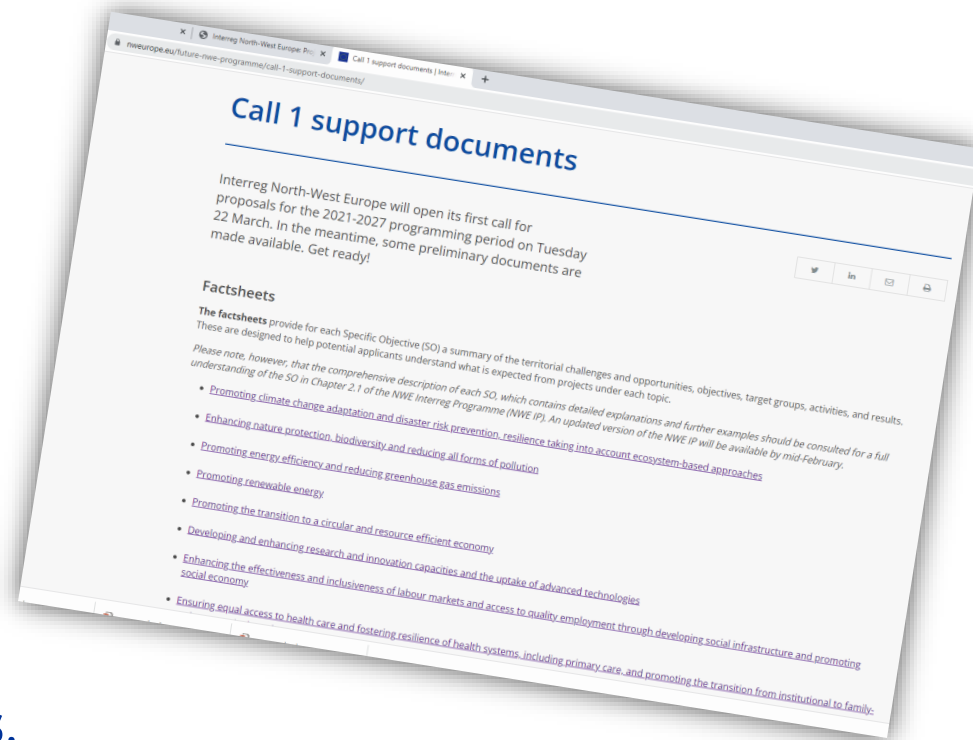
- Involves the right types of organisations
- Consider the **quadruple helix**
- IP text defines **target groups** per SO.
- **Transnational** nature



What makes a good project

Clear contribution to Interreg NWE objectives

- Needs to contribute to one of the **Programme SOs**.
- Clear **objective** that links to one SO – realistic and achievable.
- Up to **three project specific objectives** (*'foreseen project specific objectives' in Step 1*).
- Clearly defines and quantifies expected **outputs and results**.



What makes a good project

Builds on and goes beyond existing approaches

- A good project **does not reinvent the wheel.**
 - Develop and test new approaches;
 - Adapt and implement existing approaches in different sectors/regions for further uptake (as defined in the NWE IP).

Long-term effects

- **Activities must be included** in the Work Packages.
- Clearly linked to activities and Work Package objectives.

Online Applicant community

- Find international partners
- Float project ideas
- Browse ideas in the pipeline
- Centralised library of key call documents and guidance
- Click here to Register: www.community.nweurope.eu

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507 ORGANISATIONS FOUND

2 PROJECT IDEAS FOUND

511 PEOPLE REGISTERED

Introduction How to become a partner How to find a partner Contact us

Prepare your application

Key documents (see website)

- Word version of Step1 application form
- Assessment Criteria
- Eligibility Criteria

Advice, support, find partners, be informed

- Get first advice and support from the [NWE CPs](#)
- Use the « **Applicant community platform** »
- Participate in programme **launch event** (31st March 2022)

- [Click here](#) for Joint Secretariat mailing list
- [Click here](#) for Irish partner mailing list



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