

## Interreg Europe: state of play

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# An accelerator for regional development



### At the heart of EU cohesion policy:

- Improving regional development policies (in particular Structural Funds)
- Mix of more and less advanced regions
- High participation of peripheral regions

Based on local needs: Importance of stakeholders

Focus on results: 2 phases of projects (Exchange of experience + implementation)

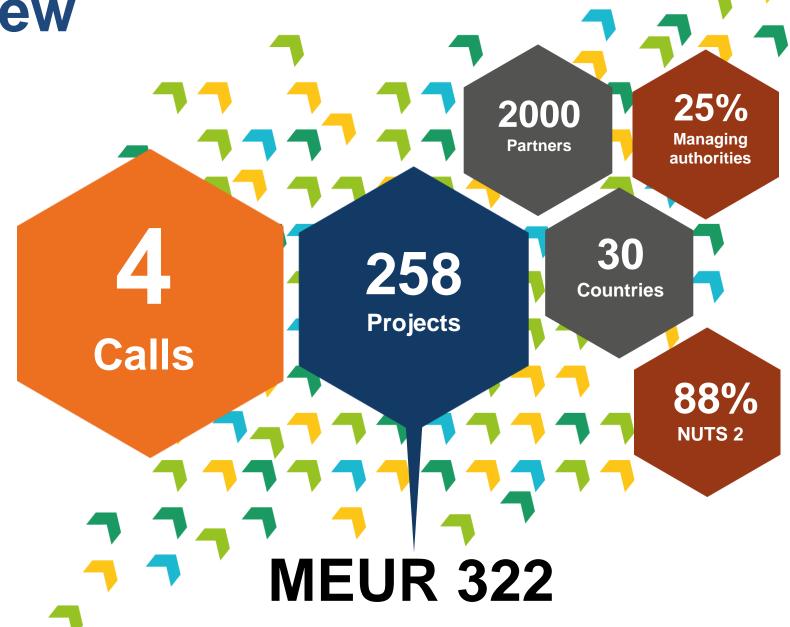
**Innovative:** Lump sum for phase 2 (4th Call projects)

# Interregional cooperation projects











## **Balanced**

Environment and resource efficiency

67

Low-carbon economy

60



Research and innovation

65

SME competitiveness

66

# Outputs achieved (validated as of June 2019)

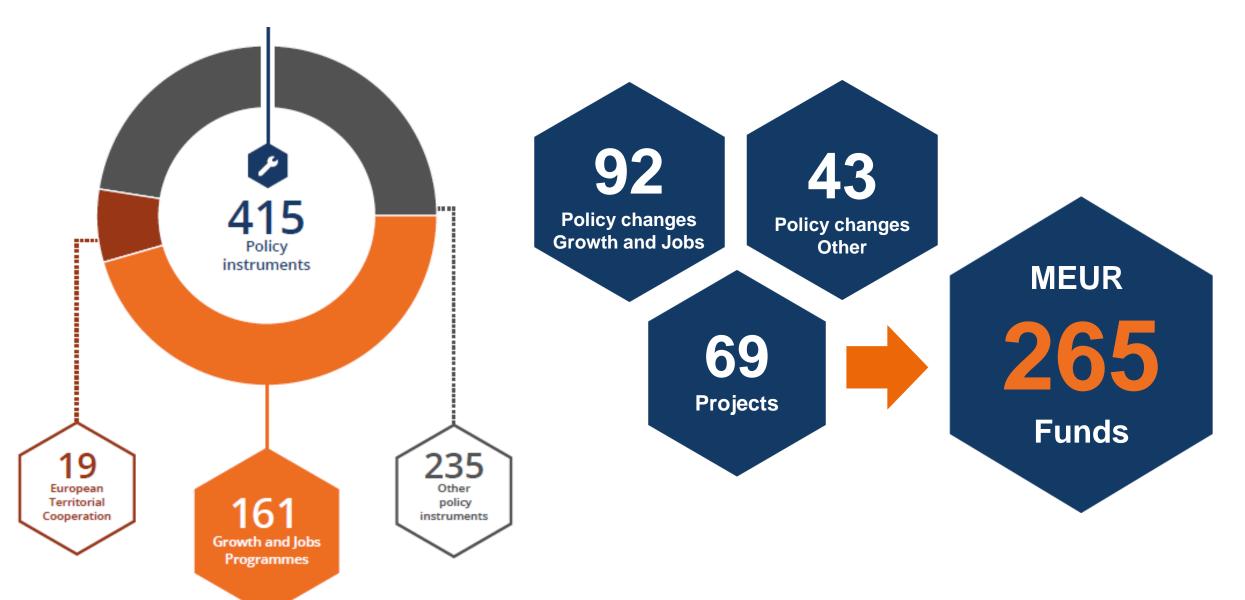




76 projects have finished Phase 1

# Improving policies (Validated as of June 2019)





# Policy Learning Platform







## **Good practice database**

~ 700 Good practices



8 peer reviews

**Community of peers** 

+ 16,000 members

Policy briefs & news

35 policy briefs



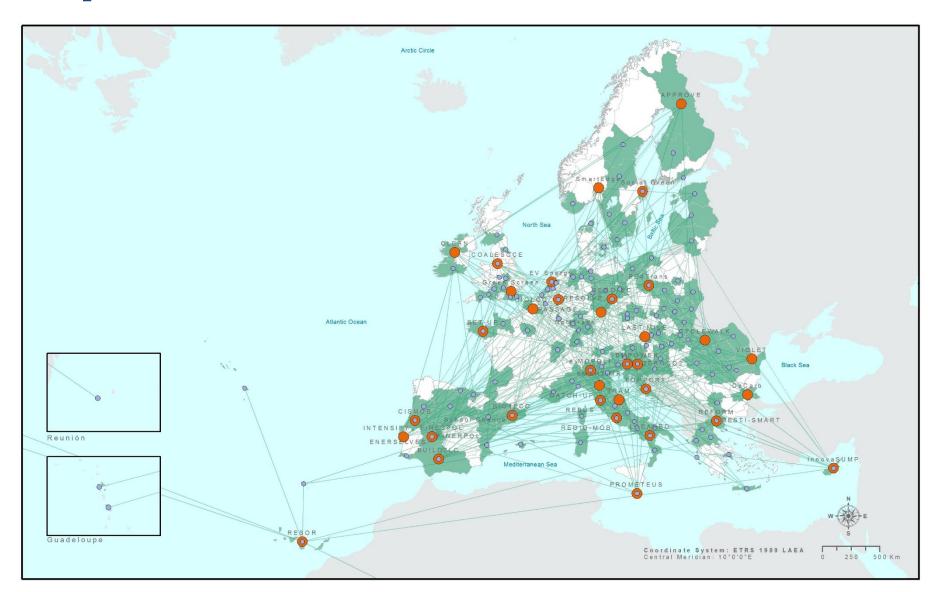






# Cooperation on LCE





60
projects\*

\* 4th call projects not included in the map

# **Engery Efficiency in buildings**







#### **Project Partners**

European Institute for Innovation (DE) Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (EL) Thermopolis Ltd. (FI) A.VI.TE.M - Agency For Sustainable Mediterranean Cities and Territories (FR) Municipality of Kaunas District (LT)

Local Councils' Association (MT) University of Malta (MT) Local Energy Agency Spodnje Podravje (SI)











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Partner: Molise region (IT)



#### Policy change:

#### Regional Operational Programme ERDF-ESF of Molise 2014-2020

The Molise Region Action Plan includes 4 action, e.g.:

- incentives for the reduction of energy consumption and gas emissions of companies and production sector;
- implementation of intelligent energy distribution networks
- awareness raising through Energy Performance Certificates (citizen)
- project study analysed energy consumption share of producing sector in the region
- → a targeted call under the ROP was launched in March 2018
- → agreed with stakeholders

→ increase in awareness and information flow about the Energy Performance Certificates for buildings and simplified procedures:

- 3049 certificates have been released, from June 2018 to June 2019;
- 368 participants underwent training for Certificates





#### Policy change:

#### The Regional Strategy of South Ostrobothnia

Thermopolis participated in updating the policy and defining the Regional programme which reveals the potential of the region in terms of EE.

The Regional Strategy had **written targets** of energy efficiency, energy self-sufficiency and even carbon neutrality:

- many possible indicators were suggested to the Regional Council of South Ostrobothnia to ease the monitoring of the targets, and a few were chosen to be included in the policy;
- some actions in the action plan relate to helping the Regional Council to follow the chosen indicators;
- Regional Implementation Plan was approved on 28.9.2018 by the Regional Council of South Ostrobothnia.



**Partner:** THERMOPOLIS LTD., Länsi-Suomi region (FI)

Active contribution at programme level



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# Thank you!

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