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INTERREG IVC state of play and first achievements

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Summary

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1. Programme state of play

Programme implementation – March 2011

- Two open calls for proposals carried out (2008 & 2009)

Almost 1000 applications received

- Third call dedicated to Capitalisation carried out
29 applications received

- Fourth call dedicated to Regional Initiative Projects on going
Deadline 1 April 2011



Programme implementation – March 2011

- **122** running projects
 - **71** projects in priority 1 ‘Innovation & knowledge economy’
 - **51** project in priority 2 ‘Environment & risk prevention’

- **EUR 202 million** ERDF allocated (66.88% of EUR 302 million, total available ERDF budget)

Thematic allocation of the approved projects

- **71** projects under Priority 1
 - 22 in “Innovation, Research & Technology Development”
 - 26 in “Entrepreneurship and SMEs”
 - 12 in “Information Society”
 - 11 in “Employment, Human Capital Education”

- **51** projects under Priority 2
 - 13 in “Natural & Technological risk / Climate change)”
 - 6 in “Water management”
 - 4 in “Waste management”
 - 5 in “Biodiversity / Natural heritage”
 - 19** in “**Energy and sustainable transport**”
 - 4 in “Cultural Heritage and landscape”

Overview on Regional Initiative Projects

- **102** approved projects (83.6% of the 122 running projects)
- Including **12** mini-programmes
- For a total budget of EUR **172 million** ERDF (85.1% out of EUR 202 million allocated)

Programme implementation – March 2011

Two important tasks:

- ‘capitalisation at programme level’
 - Experimentation focus on 21 projects dealing with innovation policies (finding presented to the MC in June 2011)
 - Elaboration of the proposal for the ‘generalisation’ still on going

- Programme ‘mid-term’ evaluation
 - Delivered in November 2010 (total of 18 recommendations related to programme implementation and future of interregional cooperation)

2. Programme's first achievements

Overview

In the 122 projects currently financed:

- 1324 partners involved (1082 in RIPs)
- Including 717 public authorities (585 in RIPs)
- 27 EU Member States represented (plus Norway and Switzerland)

First achievements: basis for analysis

122 approved projects but data comes mainly from
41 first call projects:

- 35 Regional Initiative Projects
(2 years of implementation)
- 6 Capitalisation Projects
(under finalisation)

Programme objective related to:

“Identification / sharing / transfer of good practices”

- **859** good practices identified by the 35 first call ‘RIP’
- Amongst these practices, **19** already successfully transferred:
 - 6 practices transferred in the field of Innovation, research and technology Development’
 - 2 others related to ‘Entrepreneurship and SMEs’
 - 11 others related to ‘Energy & sustainable transport’

Programme objective related to:

“Improvement of capacities and knowledge”

‘Number of staff with increased capacity’ within
the **41 first call projects**:

- Target value: **1741**
- Results achieved: **1785**

Programme overall objective:
“Improvement of regional and local policies”

Already **32** national/regional/local policies improved within **13** first call projects:

- 24 policies improved under Priority 1
- 8 policies improved under Priority 2

3. CAPRICE project

CAPRICE : an INTERREG IVC flagship project

➤ A fully relevant approach:

- Exchange of experience among partners is the core element of the proposal
- The relevant policy makers of the participating regions are involved in the projects
- The contribution to the programme objectives is clearly demonstrated (e.g. policy recommendations, mix between less experienced and more advanced regions)

CAPRICE: an INTERREG IVC flagship project

- Good communication strategy
 - **Tangibility** of the results: outputs and results clearly described
 - **Visibility** of the results: a large dissemination of the project results among stakeholders and decision-makers all over Europe is ensured
 - **Relevance** of the results: the results of the cooperation have a clear relevance at the programme and European levels

Thank you for your attention!