Financing possibilities for implementation of the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

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Financing possibilities: different solutions

- Intergovernmental funds
- National programmes
- EU programmes
- Regional development programmes
- ENPI CBC programmes
- ENPI programmes

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Funds and financial sources available:

- European Union (EU) sources:
  - grants and loans;
  - tenders and contracts;
  - regional development programmes;
- Commercial banks (micro credits, small loans, guarantees);
- National programmes/funds;
- Own resources.
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Objectives, Structural Funds and instruments of the regional development programmes:

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Regional development programmes available:

• EU programmes:
  ✓ National and Regional Programmes;
  ✓ Transnational Cooperation Programmes;
  ✓ Interregional Cooperation Programmes;
  ✓ Cross-border Cooperation Programmes;

• European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument.
Transnational Cooperation Programmes in the region:

Baltic Sea Region Programme

Northern Periphery Programme

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Interregional Cooperation Programmes:

• Interregional cooperation works at pan-European level;
• All EU-27 Member States, and more;
• Interregional Cooperation Programmes:
  ✓ INTERREG IV C;
  ✓ URBACT II;
  ✓ ESPON;
  ✓ INTERACT II.
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Cross-border Cooperation Programmes in the region:

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Intergovernmental funds

National programmes

Own resources

Banks

EU programmes

ENPI CBC programmes

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Regional development programmes

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Information on funds and financial sources:

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<th>I ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY</th>
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<td>Baltic Sea Region Programme 2007-2013 <a href="http://www.eu.baltic.net">www.eu.baltic.net</a></td>
<td>To strengthen development towards a sustainable, competitive and territorially integrated Baltic Sea region by connecting potentials over the borders.</td>
<td>Programme priorities:</td>
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<td>1) Fostering innovations; 2) Internal and external accessibility; 3) Baltic Sea as a common resource; 4) Attractive &amp; competitive cities and regions.</td>
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<td>Central Baltic INTERREG IV A Programme 2007-2013 <a href="http://www.centralbaltic.eu">www.centralbaltic.eu</a></td>
<td>To create a globally recognised, dynamic, sustainable and competitive region that is attractive for business and visitors and where people want to live, work and invest.</td>
<td>Programme priorities:</td>
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<td>1) Safe and healthy environment; 2) Economically competitive and innovative region; 3) Attractive and dynamic societies.</td>
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<td>Cross-Border Cooperation Programme 'North' 2007-2013 <a href="http://www.bdirst.se">www.bdirst.se</a></td>
<td>To strengthen the competitiveness and cohesion of the region.</td>
<td>Programme priorities:</td>
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<td>1) Development of the Economy; 2) Research, Development and Education; 3) Regional Functionality and Identity; 4) Sápmi - Unbounded Development.</td>
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<td>Convergence and Competitiveness Programmes - Finland</td>
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<td>Operational Programme 'Eastern Finland'</td>
<td>Programme aims to build on the success of the previous programme and to continue alleviating the negative effects caused by the regional challenges and developing the competitiveness of the region based on its strengths by promoting the competitiveness of enterprises, by developing well-functioning innovation systems, and by improving the accessibility and attractiveness of the region. The vision is to make Eastern Finland a globally competitive and open environment for knowledge, entrepreneurship and living.</td>
<td>Priority 1: Promotion of business activity</td>
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<td>Priority 2: Promotion of innovation activity and networking, and reinforcing knowledge structures</td>
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What should be taken into account for implementation of the project:

- importance of cooperation;
- link of different priorities and activities;
- different funds = different rules;
- double financing;
- project management capacity.
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How to find the fund:

• project idea;
• project activities;
• partners;
• project amount;
• status of organisations involved;
• find contacts.

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Where to get information and support?

- national and regional institutions, ministries;
- national contact points, information points;
- associations, agencies;
- network organisations;
- funders;
- Priority Area Coordinators;
- National Contact Points;
- Joint Technical Secretariats;
- Managing Authorities;
- websites, etc.
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INTERACT II - who we are (1)?

• Interregional Cooperation Programme under European Territorial Cooperation Objective.

• Overall objective - promote and support good governance of the European Territorial Cooperation Programmes.

• Act as a platform for exchange of information, experience, good practices.
INTERACT II - who we are (2)?

Delivering services for:

- 52 Cross-border Cooperation programmes (CBC);
- 13 Transnational Cooperation programmes;
- 4 Interregional Cooperation programmes (INTERREG IVC, INTERACT II, URBACT II, ESPON);
- 13 Cross-border Cooperation programmes under European Neighborhood and Partnership Instrument.
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Role of INTERACT Point Turku in implementation of the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (1):

• Laboratory Group is established since 2009 (includes 20 representatives);

• Key tasks:

⇒ **support** the overall coordination aim of the EUSBSR;
⇒ **define** the implications on programmes already adopted;
⇒ **seek** operative solutions to identified points;
⇒ **identify** consequences on programme management;
⇒ **support** cooperation and networking.
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Role of INTERACT Point Turku in implementation of the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (2):

• Information events;
• Awareness raising activities;
• Advisory services;
• Seminars and trainings;
• Networking activities;
• Information and guidance documents;
• Collection of information, experiences and practices.
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Role of INTERACT Point Turku in implementation of the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (3):

• Cross-border Cooperation Programmes and projects;
• Transnational Cooperation Programme and projects;
• Convergence Programmes;
• Regional Competitiveness and Employment Programmes;
• EC Directorate for Regional Policy;
• National Contact Points;
• Priority Area Coordinators;
• Flagship Project Leaders;
• Other stakeholders.
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INTERACT Point Turku and the European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region: challenges

• Second stakeholders conference will be organised;
• Model for “training of trainers” will be prepared;
• Work on dissemination of good practices will be continued;
• “Financial engineering” idea should be elaborated and implemented;
• Support to different stakeholders should be ensured;
• Networking, informing and awareness raising activities should be supported.
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The European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region:

- Cooperation and collaboration;
- Joint efforts;
- Exchange of good practices and experiences;
- Funds are available = active participation is needed.
Thank you for your attention!

Useful links:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/cooperation/baltic/index_en.htm
http://www.interact-eu.net/

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