

Conference on Transnational Cooperation and Research

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ESPON

Objective and Means

The Work: What and How

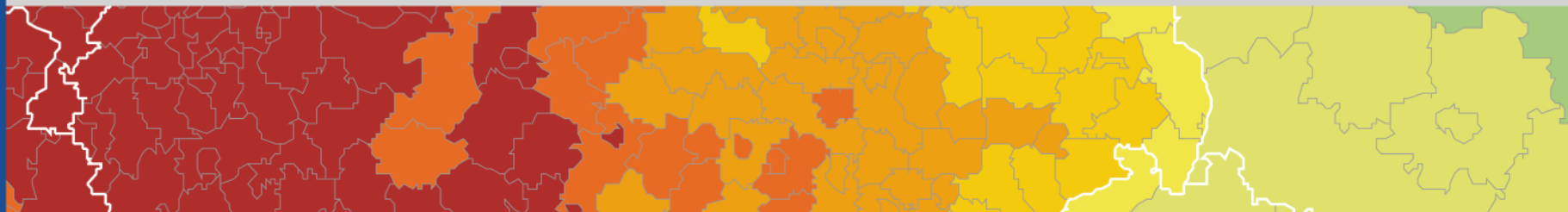
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Structure of Intervention

Content

- Part I: What is the ESPON 2013 Programme?
How does it work in practise?
- Part II: European Territorial Dynamics?
What evidence does ESPON provide?
How can the evidence be useful?
- ESPON Video Clip: Why does Europe need ESPON?
- Part III: What is likely to happen?
ESPON post 2013?



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PART 1:

What is the ESPON 2013 Programme? Progress and Operation



The ESPON 2013 Programme

Role in Structural Funds 2007-2013:

- Support EU Cohesion Policy development with pan-European, comparable facts and evidence on Territorial Structures, Trends, Perspectives and Policy Impacts, focusing on European Regions and Cities, and revealing territorial capital, potentials and challenges.

Budget 2007-13:

- 47 mill Euro (ERDF € 34 mill., plus € 13 mill. from 31 participating countries)

Policy driven programme:

- Monitoring Committee with 31 countries (deciding role)
- Concertation Committee (troika and EC in preparatory role)
- ESPON Contact Point Network
- Managing, Certifying and Audit Authorities
- ESPON Coordination Unit

Programme Priorities and Delivery

Programme Priorities:

- P 1: Applied Research defined by policy makers
- P 2: Targeted Analyses based on Stakeholder interest
- P 3: Scientific Platform and Tools
- P 4: Capitalisation

Programme Implementation:

- 25 Applied Research projects
 - 21 projects on-going or final, last 4 are just starting
- 23 Targeted Analyses (defined by stakeholder demand)
 - 18 on-going or closing, 4 are just starting, 1 in next call
- 11 larger projects under Scientific Platform and Tools
 - 8 larger projects on-going, final or just starting, 3 in next call
- 7 Transnational Networking Activities
 - 6 projects on-going of which 1 is just starting, 1 in next call

Last Calls for Proposals

Last Calls open from 18 April 2012 to 13 June 2012:

Priority 2: Targeted Analysis:

- North Sea - Spreading Transnational Results (budget € 340.000)

Priority 3: Scientific Platform and Tools:

- European Territorial Monitoring System (budget € 598.000)
- Detecting Territorial Potential and Challenges (budget € 350.000)
- European Urban Benchmarking Web Tool (budget €200.000)

Priority 4: Transnational Networking Activities:

- Capitalisation at transnational level, dedicated exclusively to the institutions confirmed as national ESPON Contact Points (remaining budget).

Themes of ESPON Applied Research

Territorial Impact
Assessment

Urban Agglomerations

Climate Change

Rural Areas

Growth poles

Migratory Flows

EU Directives

Attractiveness

Green Economy

Demography

Specific Types of
Territories

Regions

Innovation

Territorial cooperation

Accessibility

Continental
flows

Services of General
Interest

Cities

Land use

European Seas

Economy

Governance

Energy

Territorial
Scenarios

Themes of Applied Research (1)

25 Project themes final, ongoing, starting:

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

Themes of Applied Research (2)

- Attractiveness of European regions and cities for residents and visitors/ATTREG
- European patterns of land use/EU-LUPA
- Territorial cooperation in transnational areas and across internal/external borders/TERCO
- Accessibility at regional/local scale and patterns in Europe/TRACC
- Secondary growth poles in territorial development/SGPTD
- European perspective on specific types of territories/GEOSPECS
- Territorial dimension of innovation and knowledge economy/KIT
- Continental territorial structures and flows (globalisation)/TIGER

Themes of Applied Research (3)

- Territorial and Regional sensitivity of EU Directives/ARTS
- Services of General Interest/SEGI
- European Seas in Territorial Development/EsatDOR
- Territorial Contribution to Europe 2020/SIESTA
- Territorial Scenarios and Visions for Europe/ET2050
- Territorial Potentials for Greener Economy/GREECO
- Territorial Governance – Practices and Perspectives/TANGO
- European Neighbour Regions
- Small and Medium sized Towns in their Functional Territorial Context
- The territorial dimension of Poverty and Social Exclusion in Europe
- Economic Crises: Resilience of Regions

Themes of Targeted Analyses (1)

23 projects ongoing/closing/starting using ESPON results:

- The Case for Agglomeration Economies in Europe/CAEE
- The Development of the Islands – European Islands and Cohesion Policy/EUROISLANDS
- Cross-Border Polycentric Metropolitan Regions/MetroBorder
- Success for Convergence Regions' Economies/SURE
- Spatial Scenarios: New Tools for Local-Regional Territories/SS-LR
- Territorial Diversity/TeDi
- Potential of Rural Regions/PURR
- Transnational Support Method for European Cooperation/TranSMEC
- ESPON and TIA/EATIA

Themes of Targeted Analyses (2)

- Yardsticks for Cross-border Spatial Development/ULYSSES
- Regional Integrated Strategies/RISE
- Polycentric Metropolisation in Central Europe/POLYCE
- Territorial Performance Monitoring/TPM
- Development conditions for Paris, Berlin, Warsaw/BEST METROPOLISES
- Migration and Gender balance in Rural Regions/SEMIGRA
- Smart Institutions for Territorial Development/SMART-IST
- Airports as Drivers in Peripheral Regions/ADES
- Advanced Monitoring of regional R&D/AMCER
- Growth Poles in South-East Europe/GROSEE
- Key Indicators for Territorial Cohesion/Spatial Planning/KITCASP
- Landscape Policy for 3 Countries Park/LP3LP
- Liveable Landscapes/LIVELAND
- Spreading Transnational Results/North Sea STAR

Themes in Scientific Platform and Tools

11 larger projects ongoing/final/starting:

- ESPON Database (phase I)
- ESPON 2013 Database (phase II)
- Territorial Indicators/INTERCO
- Typology Compilation
- European Territorial Monitoring and Reporting
- Territorial Monitoring in MacroRegion – Baltic Sea Region
- Detecting Territorial Potentials
- Territorial Evidence Packs for Structural Funds Programmes
- ESPON Atlas 2014
- On-line Mapping Tool
- European Urban Benchmarking Web Tool

More Information

Thank you for your attention on Part 1.

Any questions or comments?

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