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# Welcoming

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# Programme area

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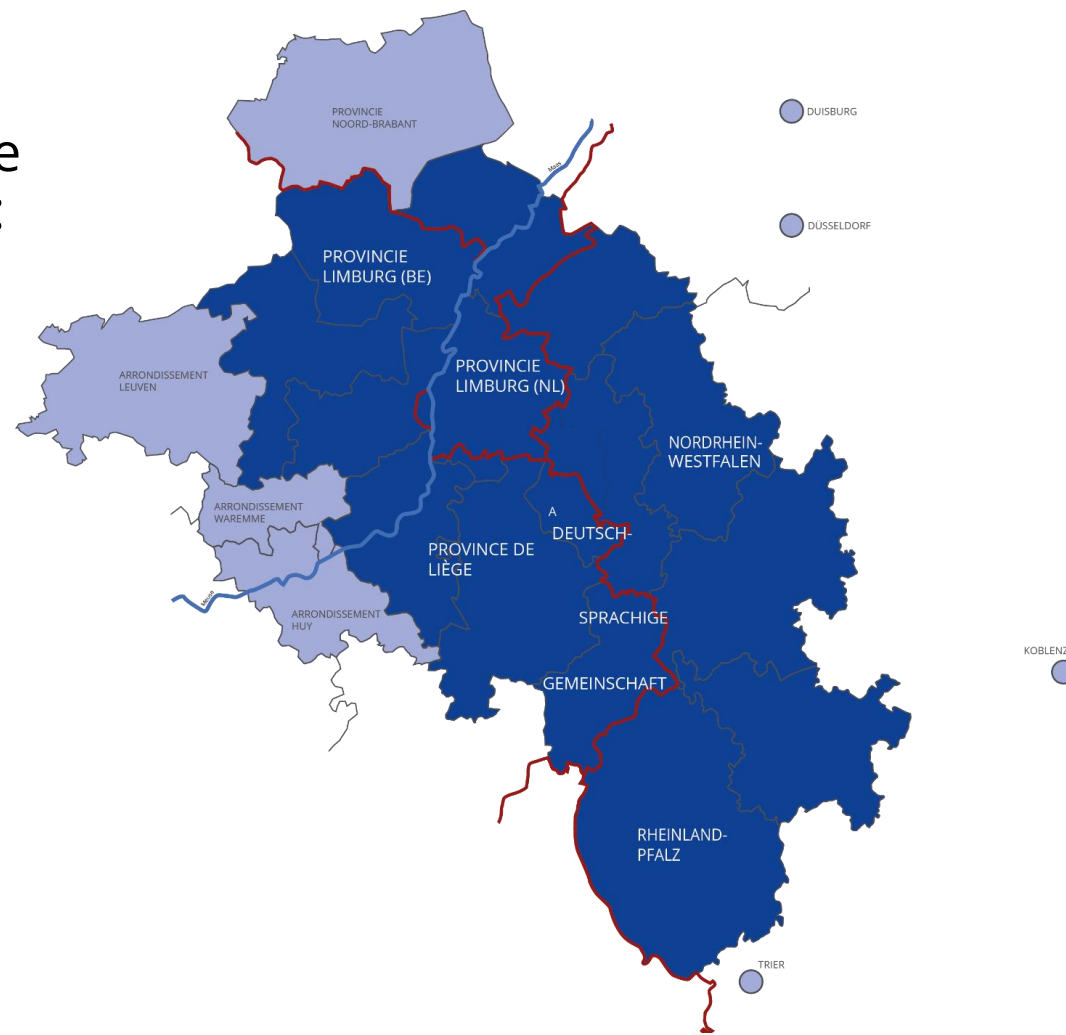
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# Programme area

Planned cooperation according to the principle of "**Functional Areas**" with:

- Arrondissement Leuven (B)
- Arrondissements Huy and Waremme (B)
- Region Zuidoost-Noord-Brabant (NL)
- Düsseldorf, Duisburg (DE)
- Koblenz, Trier (DE)

→ Does not affect Priority 4!



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# Content of the Programme

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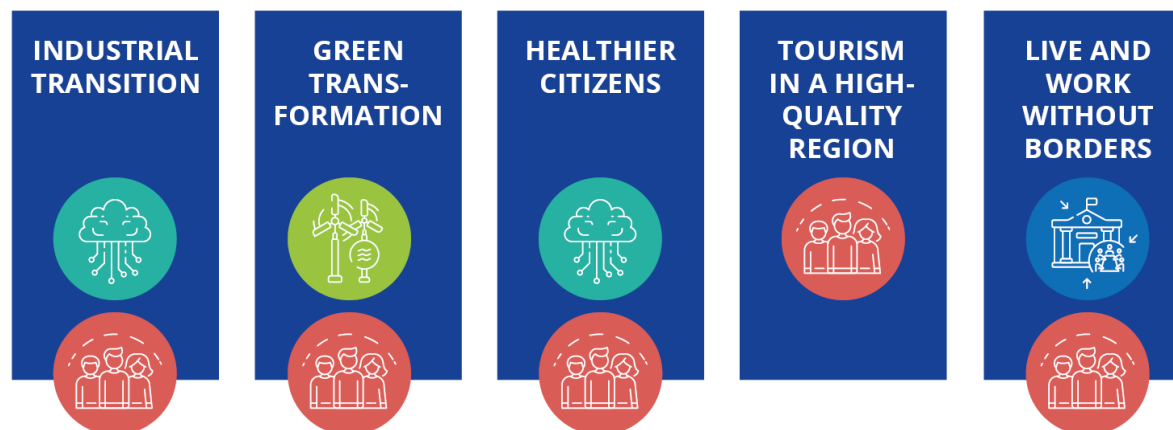
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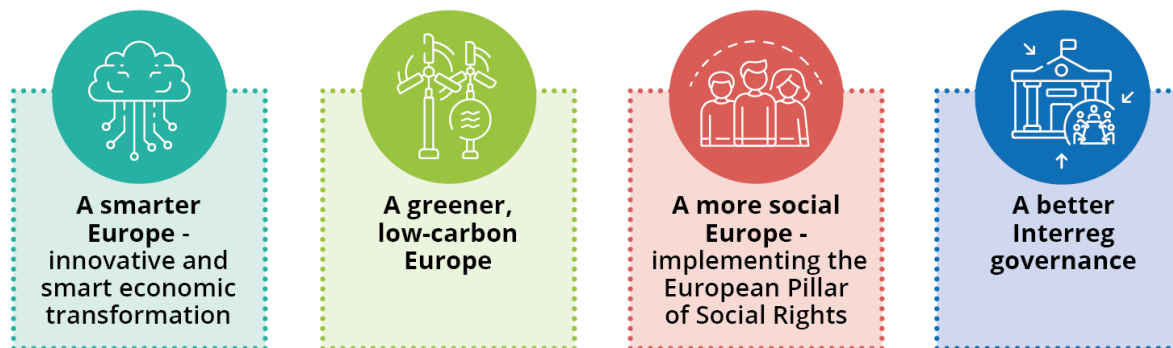


# Content of the Programme

## Our 5 grand societal challenges



## 4 priorities



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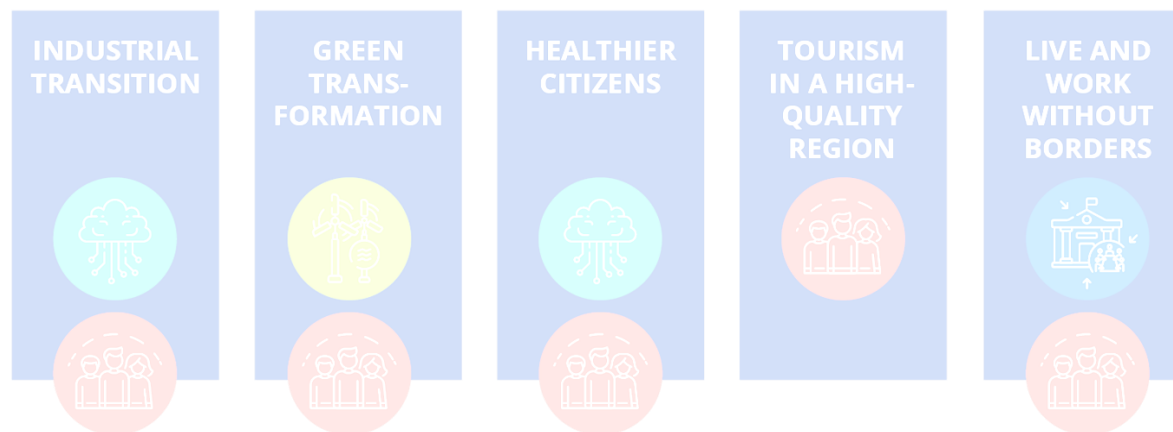


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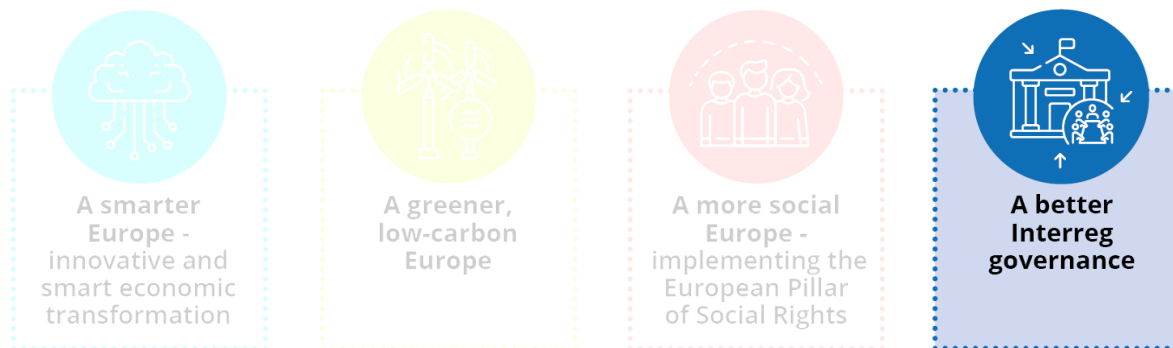
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# Content of the Programme

## Our 5 grand societal challenges



## 4 priorities



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# Better cooperation governance in the Meuse-Rhine area

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# Better cooperation governance

The priority consists of two specific objectives:

- Enhance efficient public administration by promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens, civil society actors and institutions, in particular, with a view to resolving legal and other obstacles in border regions
- Build up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions

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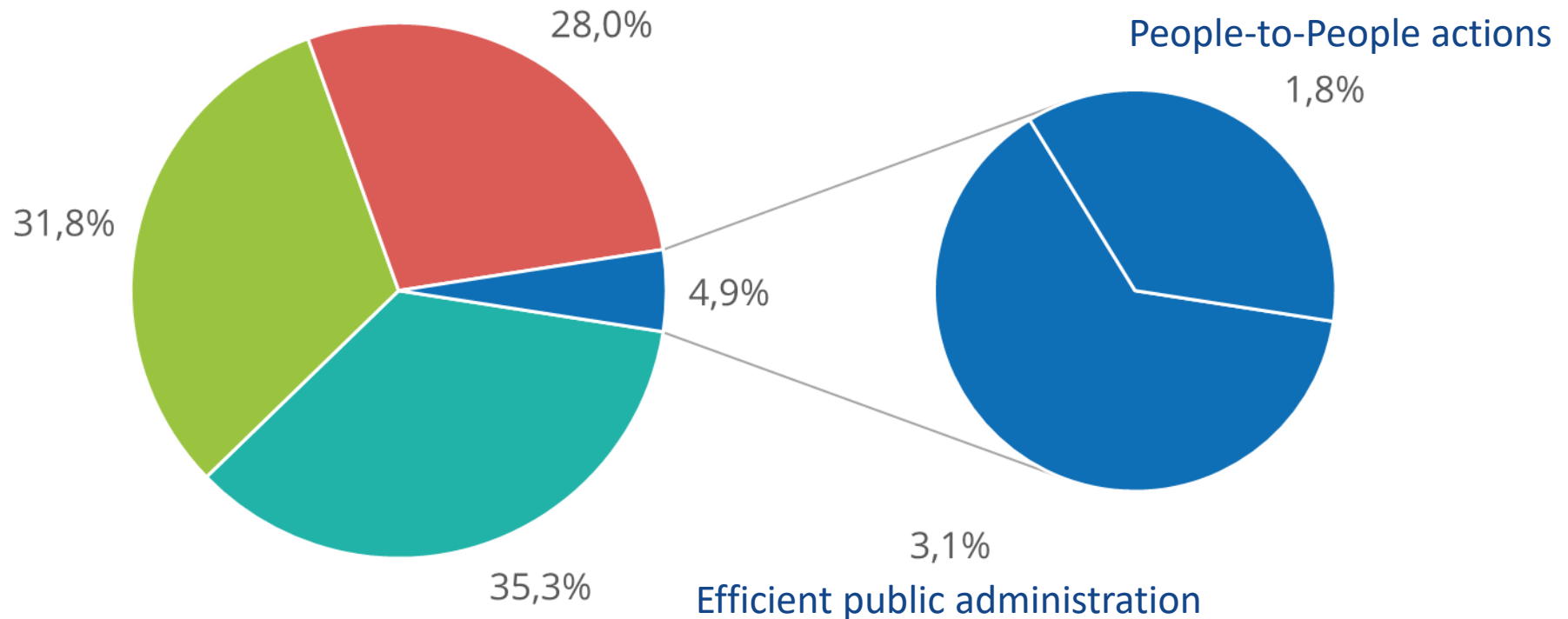


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# Better cooperation governance

ERDF share



# Better cooperation governance

## Efficient public administration

### Types of actions (1/2):

- **analysis and research into legal and administrative obstacles** in the border region, research into (feasibility of) solutions and measures to promote such solutions
- active **solving of systemic differences** in laws and regulations with impeding effects in the cross-border context
- improving **administrative and civil service cooperation**, policy making and implementation, including networking and monitoring
- **euregional e-products and services**, such as e-ticketing for public transport, culture, etc.
- improving the provision of **information to inhabitants and entrepreneurs about opportunities on the other side of the border**

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# Better cooperation governance

## Efficient public administration

### Types of actions (2/2):

- **training of employees** in organisations with an information or advisory function to the other side of the border
- **public safety actions**
- **resilience actions to disasters occurring** in the programme area, closely related to the defined societal challenges for this specific objective
- **border focal point**, aimed at addressing specific cross-border problems and directing them to the appropriate level or institution for resolution
- **small projects fund** for taking administrative and legal actions

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# Better cooperation governance

## Efficient public administration

### Main target groups:

- (semi-)public authorities
- research and educational institutes
- public-private partnerships
- civil society groups
- care organisations
- public transport organisations
- intermediary organisations or trade associations
- (associations of) inhabitants
- Enterprises

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# Better cooperation governance

## Efficient public administration



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**connect**

- Cooperation of transport associations
- Digitalisation and harmonisation of ticketing and distribution
- Linking the Euregio Meuse-Rhine



- Harmonisation of national data in one euregional database
- Better administrative cooperation via an common monitoring tool
- Digitalisation of administrative processes



- Analysis and research into legal and administrative obstacles
- solving of systemic differences
- improving administrative and civil service cooperation



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# Better cooperation governance

## People-to-people actions

### Types of actions:

- information meetings
- cultural days
- festivals
- sporting events
- publications

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## People-to-people actions

### Main target groups:

**The only beneficiary under this specific objective is EGTC EMR as the envisaged small projects fund manager.**

We foresee the following (not limitative list of) different main target groups as final recipients under the small projects funds:

- primary and secondary schools, or the legal entities managing them
- (associations of) inhabitants, with a particular focus to youth
- civil society groups and NGOs (associations and foundations)
- SMEs
- (semi-)public authorities
- public-private partnerships

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## People-to-people actions

<https://euregio-mr.info/de/foerderung/people-to-people/sub/video.php>

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# Getting started






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# Getting started

-  Define theme and check compatibility with programme objectives
-  Reflect on concrete challenges, necessary impacts and corresponding products/services
-  Search for cross-border partners → support from the Regional Antennas
-  Weigh up costs and financing: 50% EU contribution, raise remaining 50% yourself (possibly public co-financing -> contact the Focal Point)
-  Monitor information / updates of the programme

# Getting started



If you need support, contact your **Regional Antenna**:

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