



EUTeens4Green

Innovative implementation of the partnership principles

EU H2020 TRANSFORM: Final Conference

DG REGIO.E1
Administrative Capacity Building and Solidarity
Instruments

Good governance in EU cohesion policy

Good governance as key factor for successful implementation of EU cohesion policy entails among the others:

- Administrative capacity to manage EU funds and
- Participation

Two pilot projects to raise awareness and develop knowledge:

- EU Teens4Green → Young people
- Innovative Implementation of the Partnership Principles → Citizens

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European Commission

Directorate General for Regional and
Urban Policy

*Competence centre for administrative
capacity*

PARTNERS



Startup Europe
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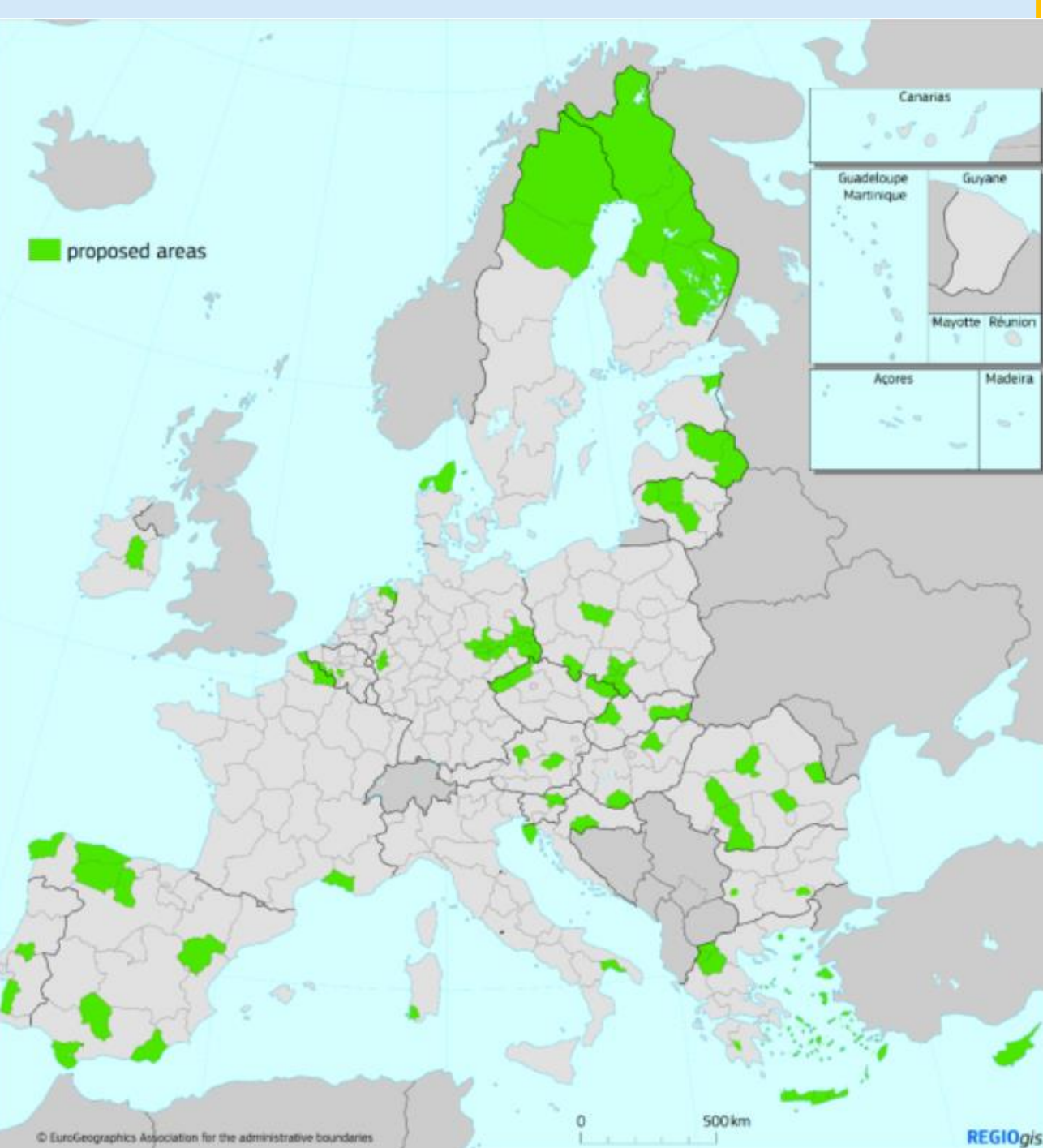


Bankwatch
Network

What is about ?



- It offers the opportunity to young people to participate to decision making in EU cohesion policy
- It focuses on the regions that will be most impacted by the transition to climate neutrality, because they are heavily dependent on fossil fuels or on carbon-intensive industries.



Who can participate?

Individual or group of individuals aged 15-24

or

Non-profit organisation (private or public)

Be resident or established in one of the 27 EU Member States territories

What is for them?

Up to € 10 000 to realise a project in 12 months

Project = identify **people** that are at risk of exclusion as a result of the transition + to propose **actions** for involvement of these people in their territory in relation to **topics** close to them.

Facilitators to accompany them

Digital platform for exchange with peers



For more information

<https://participate.euteens4green.org/>

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Webinar every Wednesday and Saturday at 18.00 CET ([Link](#))

[Deadline for application 9 January 2023](#)

Innovative Implementation of the partnership principle

Why focus on citizens

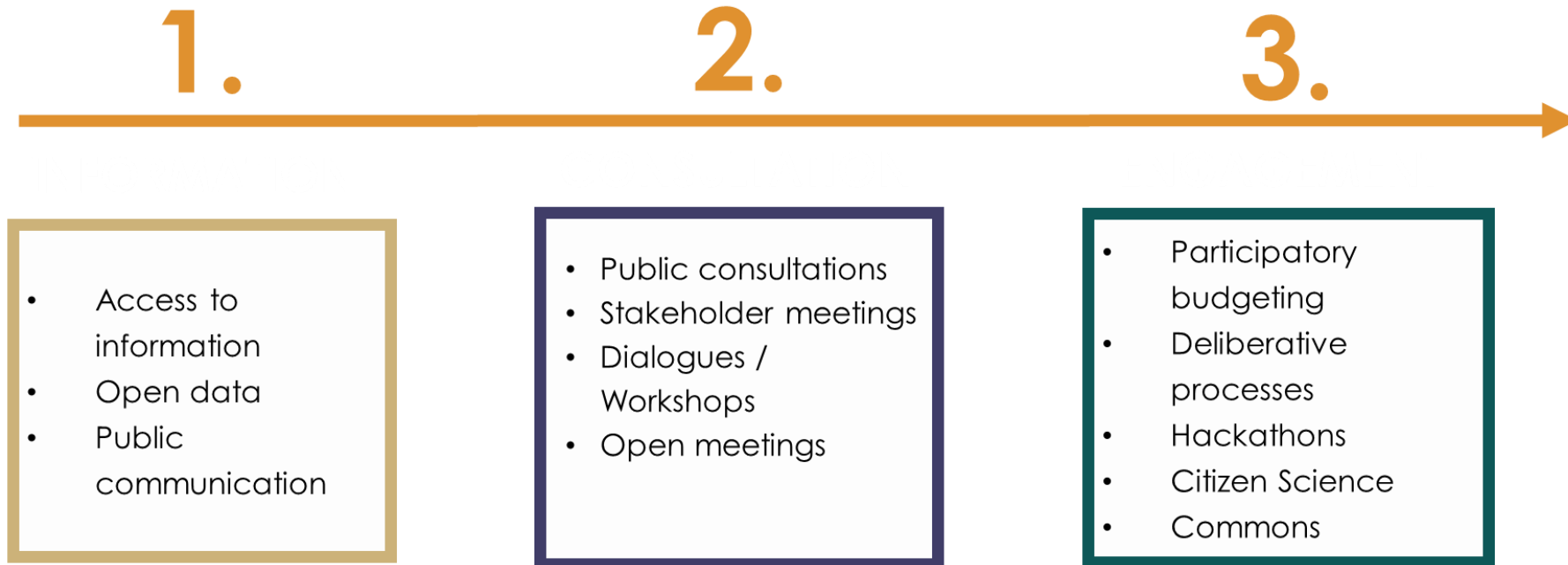
Commissioner Ferreira «EU cohesion policy is a policy for citizens but also with citizens »

Our experience so far:

- Civic monitoring: 18 Integrity Pacts (2016-2021) enhanced transparency and accountability, stronger competition and fairness, better value for money, citizen engagement and even long-term institutional change
- Role of civil society organisations: 18 grants (2020-2021) to support them in bridging between citizens and public authorities
- Competences in public administration: technical support by OECD to 5 authorities (2020-2021) to set new process for engagement.

The new initiatives:

Move from citizen consultation to citizen engagement



Objectives

- Strategic objectives:
 - Promote cooperation between public authorities and civil society organisation
 - Promote new forms of participation
- Operational objectives
 - Test innovative citizen participation approaches in cohesion policy
 - Identify conditions to build strong and long-lasting partnerships
 - Collect good practices of citizen participation in cohesion policy to be shared among and beyond project partners
 - Promote peer learning and support community of practitioners.

Implementation

- Cooperation between a public authority and civil society organization in the framework of **programmes 2021-2027**:
 - Joint proposal on scope for citizens engagement (e.g. design, monitoring and/or evaluation of investments, strategy or a programmes)
- Technical support by international experts from OECD:
 - Selection of the most appropriate form of citizens engagement and accompany in the implementation.

Timetable

Call for proposals

- 10 proposals received
- 7 selected
- Feb-July 2022

Assistance I

- review of project proposals
- training
- assistance to plan and set-up activities
- July 2022-Feb. 2023

Assistance II

- Support to implementation of citizens engagement process
- feed-back to public authorities and civil society organisation
- March – October 2023

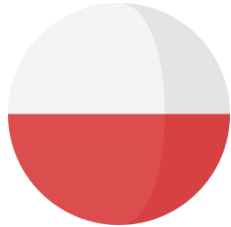
Where we stand today: six projects have started



**Emilia-Romagna
Region +
Bangherang**

Involving young people
from rural and mountain
areas.

Territorial Development
Strategies



**CEUTP Transport +
FADO**

Citizen participation
in transport
infrastructure in GMZ
Metropolitan area.

Sustainable Urban
Mobility Plan



**South Muntenia
Regional
Development
Agency +
National Union of
Romanian County
Councils**

Citizen participation
in regional
development
policies.

Territorial
Development
Strategies



**Municipality of
Ramnicu Valcea
+ Fundatia
Comunitara
Valcea**

Citizen participation
in transport planning.

Urban Mobility
Strategy



**Regional Ministry
of Cantabria +
CISE**

Citizen participation
in regional
development.

ERDF Programme



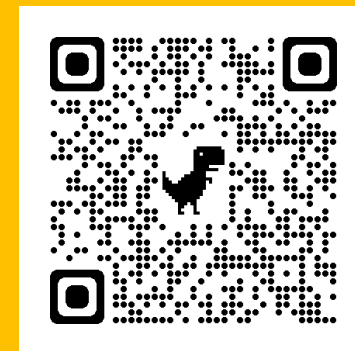
**Municipality of
Banská Bystrika +
Dialogue Centre**

Citizen participation
in urban
development.

Territorial
development
strategy

Next steps

- **Second call** (Q1-2023): new proposals for cooperation between public authorities and civil society organisations to collect new examples of participatory process in the EU cohesion policy;
- 2nd half March 2023: citizens engagement workshop as part of the series of annual events « **Good Governance for EU Cohesion Policy** »



Thank you for the attention

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