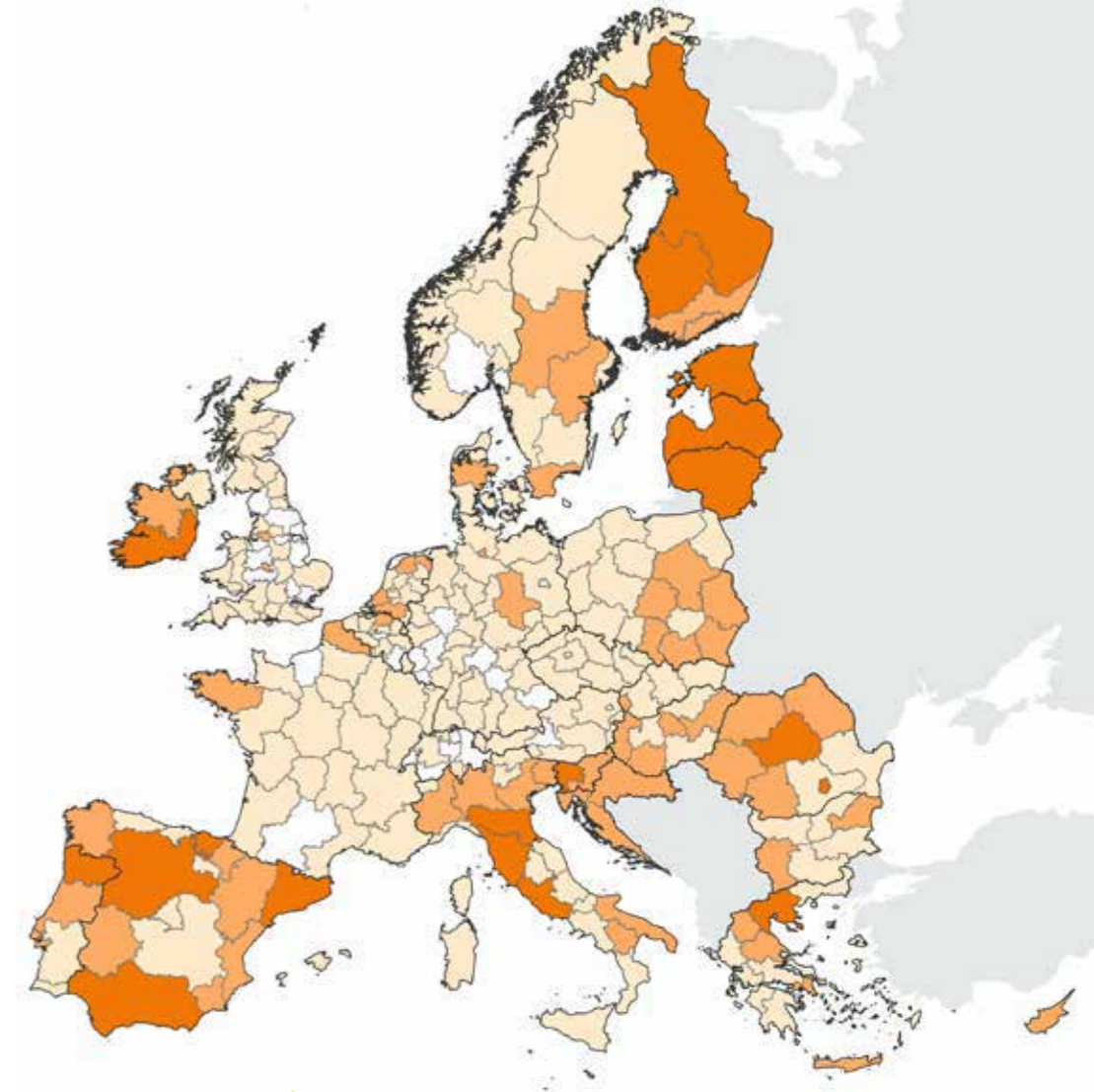




# CITIZENS' SUMMARY

*This is a summary of a report on Interreg Europe's activities in 2022. It presents key points and highlights from the year.*



Number of project partners in NUTS 2 regions

- None (0)
- Low (1 - 8)
- Medium (9 - 22)
- High (23 - 49)



## What we do

The European Union strives to reduce disparities in the levels of development, growth and quality of life in and across Europe's regions. Interreg Europe contributes directly to this objective by supporting the exchange of policy experience and good practices between EU regions.

Interreg Europe helps public authorities to share solutions across Europe in order to deliver better policies. The programme runs from 2014 to 2020 with a budget of MEUR 359 from the European Regional Development Fund. Norway and Switzerland also participate and contribute funds. The programme supports policy learning among public institutions from 30 countries (the EU27, plus Norway, Switzerland and the UK). Institutions in the programme's projects come from 88% of European regions.

## Policy learning in four thematic areas

Interreg Europe helps policymakers inspire each other and improve their policies, either within interregional cooperation projects or via the Policy Learning Platform.

The programme co-financed **258 cooperation projects** with over 2,000 organisations from European regions. In 2022, 120 projects were closed and 51 reopened to carry out additional activities and further improve their regional policies. In total, all projects prepared **1,668 action plans**, translating the lessons learned from the projects into concrete actions in their own regions. The projects also implemented **124 pilot actions** inspired by good practices shared by the project partners.

The **Policy Learning Platform** continued providing access to the programme's knowledge to thousands of Interreg Europe's community members and other policymakers. Its **good practice database** now contains over **3,000 expert-validated** policymaking practices. The Platform experts continued providing on-demand services such as the region-to-region peer reviews and matchmaking sessions.



## The programme exceeds its targets

### Projects increase capacity and improve policies

In 2022, the Interreg Europe's implementation continued smoothly. 120 projects delivered on their objectives, reported on their achievements, and closed their activities as initially planned. 78 projects received funding for additional activities linked to COVID-19, and some extended their duration to implement these activities.

Overall, 99% of projects delivered their outputs as planned. In total, the 258 funded projects developed 1,668 action plans, which exceeded the programme target by 181%. They reported 22,230 people with increased capacity, exceeding the programme target by 185%.

The projects were also successful in improving policies. By the end of 2022, 237 projects reported **1,048 policy improvements** linked to their project work. 51% of these involved the Structural Funds programmes. Over 1 billion euros were mobilised to implement these improvements.

### Platform delivers services on demand

The Policy Learning Platform expert team delivered over 30 policy-learning events in 2022, built around the demands from the programme beneficiaries. The Platform facilitated **on-demand peer reviews** for public authorities in 14 regions. It helped these authorities to solve their policy challenge by bringing selected peers who shared their experience and offered advice and inspiration.

### Sound management confirmed again

The 2022 audits on expenditure declared to the Commission resulted in an error rate of 0.01%. This result confirmed again that the programme's management and control system works well.



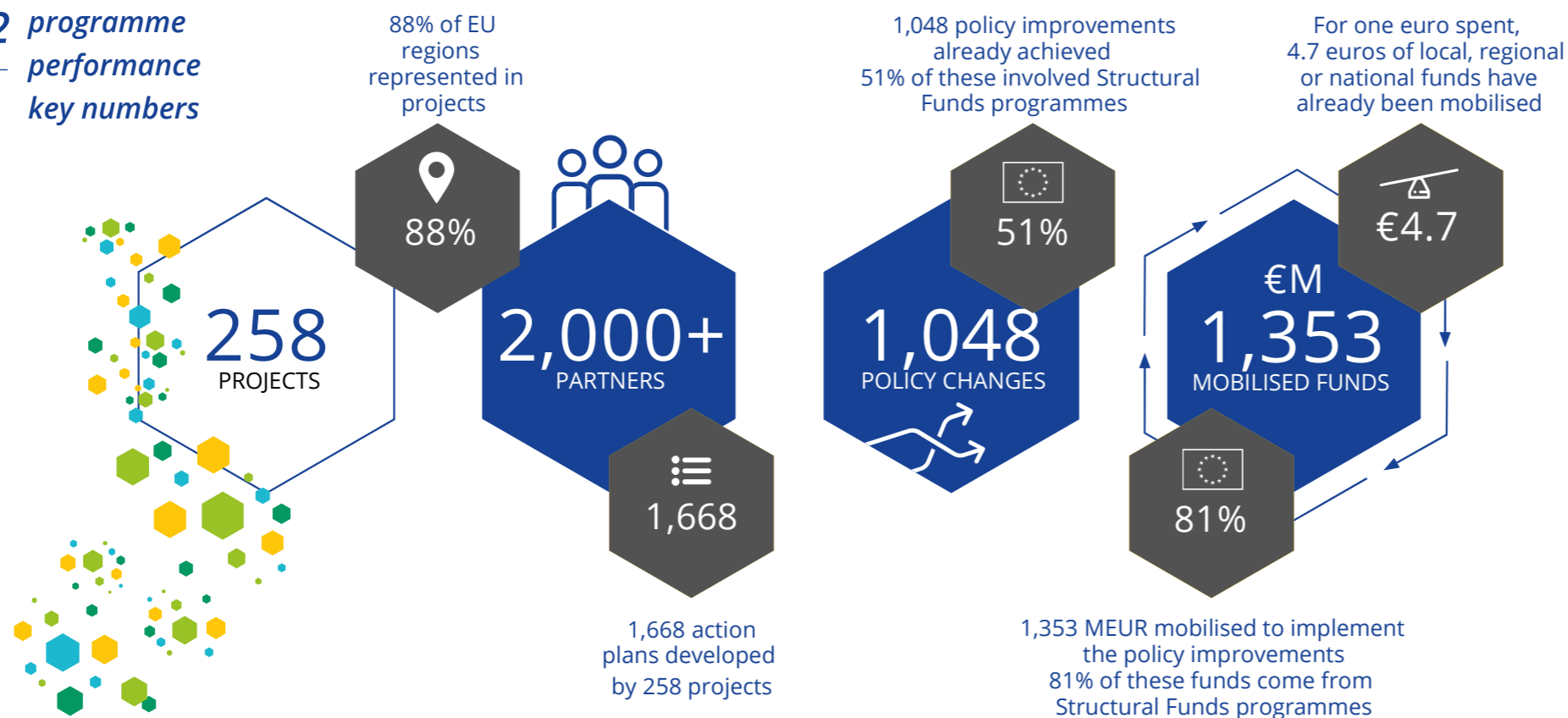
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## 2022 programme performance key numbers



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