



# The Policy Learning Platform:

your reference point for regional policy-making

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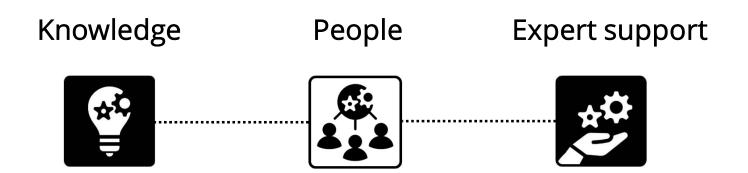




#### Platform in a nutshell



# Provide continuous policy-learning opportunities through access to:



https://interregeurope.eu/policy-learning-platform

#### Our team



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### Access to knowledge



• Wealth of policy solutions available



Database of good practices from all EU



Analytical policy briefs, news and publications

# Online learning possibilities



#### Relevant good practices – concrete and up-to-date

- Latvian Greenways Network new and unique product for visitors (LV)
- Open Innovation Platform "Demola Latvia" (LV)
- Cogeneration of energy for a CO2-free city, Ostrava (CZ)
- Participatory process in preparation of regional strategy North Karelia (FI)
- <u>Tag your out. New methods in sport-fisheries create sustainable catch levels of wild</u>
  <u>salmon (SE)</u>
- Underground collection points Ghent (BE)

# Access to people



Policy inspiration from practitioner to practitioner



Community of 6,000+ practitioners



Networking and policylearning events

### Riga – thematic workshop – 4 June 2019

The transforming power of cultural and creative industries





**Event key learnings:** 

https://interregeurope.eu/find-policy-solutions/workshop/the-transforming-power-of-cultural-and-creative-industries

# Upcoming events

#### **Webinars**

- 08/03 Innovation vouchers to strengthen regional innovation ecosystems
- 18 & 25/04 E-mobility webinar series: electric fleets & electric car sharing

#### Workshops



Save the date: 31/05 & 01/06 Rethinking local policies in Ghent, BE

Peer reviews, matchmakings, online discussions & more here





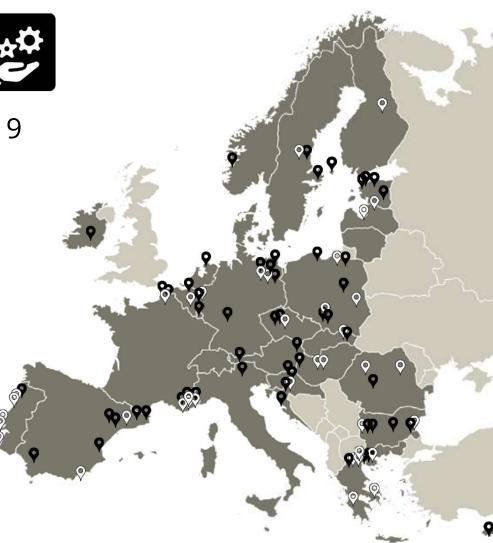
# Peer learning in practice



- 49 peer reviews implemented since 2019 5 peer reviews in the pipeline
- 34 matchmaking sessions 2 matchmakings in the pipeline
- Calls permanently open!
- Assessment of application within 1 month max
- Events take place in line with the agenda of host, local stakeholders and peers

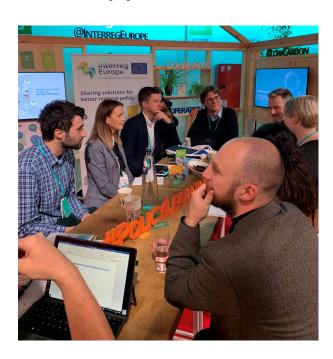
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### Matchmaking for Valmiera Development Agency – 2019

Best approaches for setting up local makerlabs







Direct access to matchmaking service:

https://interregeurope.eu/matchmaking-session

### Step by step



What is your need & how will we work?

 First briefing with the thematic expert: what is the main policy challenge you want to address with this peer review

 Appointment of a coordinator at the host region – preparation of a thematic background paper 2

Who are the best peers?

- Identification of potential peers by the thematic expert
- Joint online meeting between the host, the selected peers and the thematic expert
- Preparation of the visit on spot

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2-day working meeting in your region

- Pre-meeting of peers
- Joint plenary
- Stakeholder involvement
- Preparation of draft recommendations
- final conclusions &"to dolist" for follow-up action

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What are your next steps?

- Concise peer review report (including the developed "to do-list")
- Short evaluation survey
- Post-closure interview
- Possibility of follow-up meeting

# Towards a smart city: digitalising public services through closer collaboration with universities and businesses



Peer review for: City of Tallinn, Estonia

Peers from:









#### Recommendations made:

- Consider multi-annual contracts for city-university cooperation, with fixed contact points on both sides
- Involve businesses in workshops and trainings for city staff
- Go hyper-local when collecting ideas and inputs from citzens

# From landfill to sustainable urban development: land use and rehabilitation options



Peer review for: City of Greifswald, Germany

Peers from:









#### Recommendations made:

- Discussion of different rehabilitation concepts (renatured site, park, 'living lab' in an urban setting)
- Concrete planning of budgetary and human resources
- Development of a stakeholder strategy, following the quadrouple helix model

#### Let's see what our beneficiaries think





Thank you for some really informative, interactive, substantive and truly enriching peer review sessions. Thank you for a wonderful atmosphere you created - of cooperation, reflection and engagement. I hope that with your assistance we will be able to build in Pomorskie a truly integrated support system for the participation of local and regional entities in EU-funded innovation and research projects! I look forward to our cooperation in the future, which we will appreciate greatly! It was a real pleasure to host you in our beautiful city of Gdańsk!





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The peer review has proved to be a strong instrument to convince regional leadership and policymakers to foster changes and innovations proven successful in other regions.

#### Jan Nylander

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# **Policy Learning Platform services**



#### Knowledge

**3000+** Good practices

**200+** Policy briefs & publications



#### **Community of peers**

**130+** Networking and policy-learning events

9000+participants



#### **Expert support**

**49** Peer reviews

**34** Matchmakings

170+ Policy helpdesk



# In case you can't find your way...access policy helpdesk!





interregeurope.eu/policy-helpdesk

# What you can get

- Interreg Europe's wealth of policy solutions at hand
- Hands-on advice and inspiration from practitioners to practitioners
- Easily accessible expert support
- An active and committed team of experts at your disposal
- An active voice to co-shape the Platform's agenda



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# Thank you!

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