



Implementing the Atlantic Action Plan

2014-20 European Territorial Co-operation (ETC, aka Interreg) Programmes

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What is ETC/Interreg?

- EU funding, part of ‘Structural and Investment Funds’ for 2014-20
- Different to other ‘Structural and Investment Funds’ – multinational, not domestic.
- Addresses challenges of working across national boundaries, supporting development of single market, maximising opportunities of wider joint working.
- Brings together different member states to design and deliver joint programmes
- Nearly 90 programmes across Europe, nearly €9b budget for 2014-20 - UK involved in 15 – over €2b available to bid into.
- 3 types of programmes: Cross Border; Transnational; Interregional (all EU)

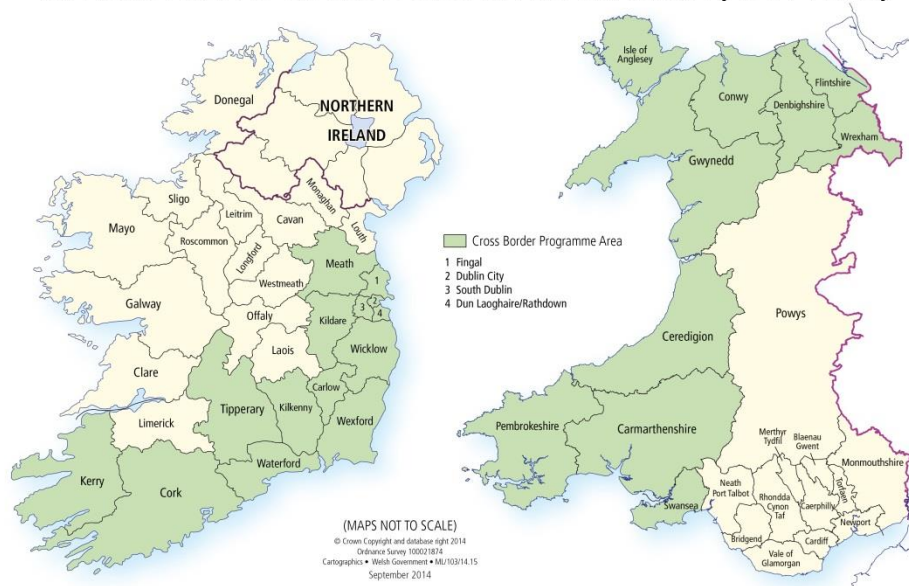
Ireland-Wales Programme

Managing Authority:
Welsh European Funding
Office

Participating Member States:
Ireland and UK (Wales)

Budget:
€100m, including €79m ERDF

IRELAND/WALES CROSS BORDER PROGRAMME (2014-2020)



Website: <http://wefo.wales.gov.uk/programmes/irelandwales>

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Ireland-Wales Programme

Priority Axis 1: Cross-border Co-operation (Budget: 40% - €31.6m)

- To increase the intensity of knowledge transfer collaborations involving research organisations and SMEs in line with the shared priorities of the smart specialisation strategies

Priority Axis 2: Adaptation of the Irish Sea and coastal communities to Climate Change (Budget: 35% - €21.7m)

- To increase capacity and knowledge of Climate Change Adaptation for the Irish Sea and coastal communities

Priority Axis 3: Cultural and Natural Resources and Heritage (Budget: 19% - €15m)

- To sustainably realise the potential of natural and cultural assets in increasing visitor numbers to coastal communities in the Programme area

Interreg Cross-border Programme

Managing Authority:
Special European
Programmes Body

IE011 - Border
UKM32 - Dumfries & Galloway
*UKM33 - East Ayrshire and North Ayrshire
mainland*

Participating Member States:
Ireland and UK (Northern
Ireland and Scotland)

UKM37 - South Ayrshire
*UKM63 - Lochaber, Skye & Lochalsh, Arran &
Cumbrae and Argyll & Bute*
UKM64 - Eilean Siar (Western Isles)
UKN01 - Belfast

Budget:
€283m, including €240m
ERDF

UKN02 - Outer Belfast
UKN03 - East of Northern Ireland
UKN04 - North of Northern Ireland
UKN05 - West and South of Northern Ireland

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Interreg Cross-border Programme

Research & Innovation

Enhancing research & innovation – €45m

Promoting Business investments in R&I – €15.9m

Environment

Recovery of protected habitats & priority species – €11m

Manage Marine protected areas & species – €11m

Improve Water Quality in transitional waters – €30m

Improve freshwater quality in cross-border river basins – €20m

Sustainable Transport

Sustainable Transport – €40m

Health & Social Care

Health & Social Care – €53m

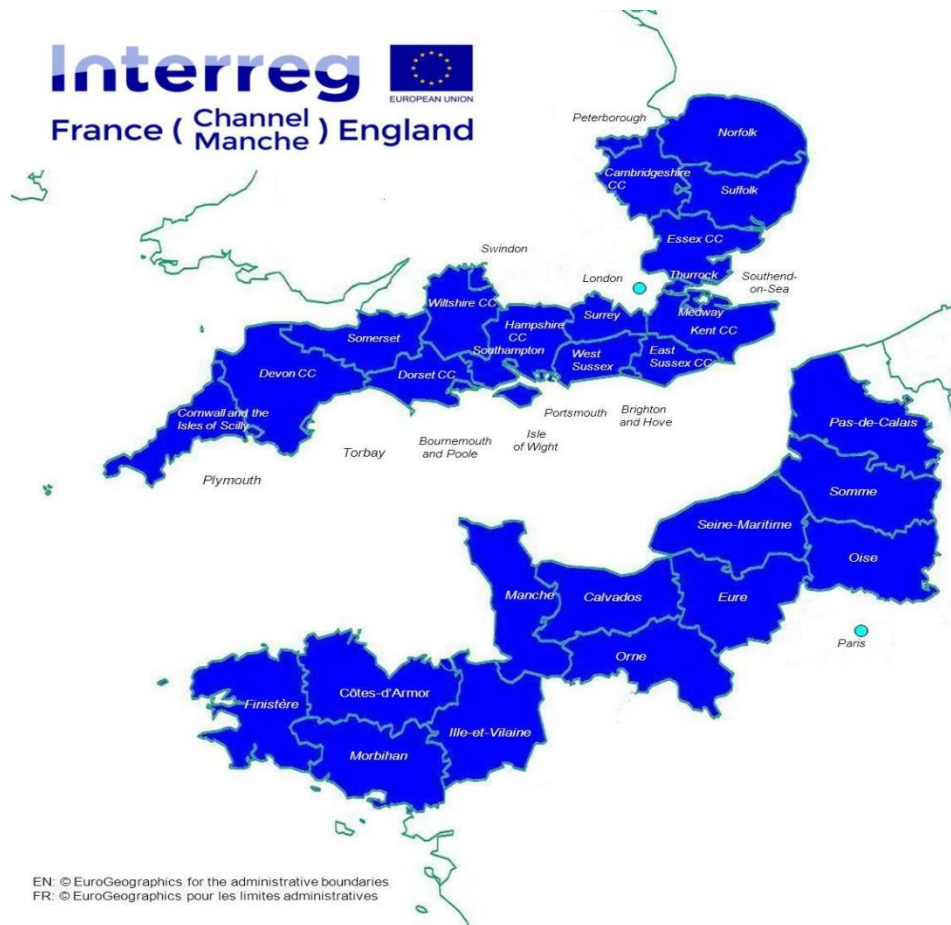
France Channel England Programme

Managing Authority:
Norfolk County Council

Participating Member States:
France (Northern France) and
UK (East, South East and South
West of England)

Budget: €209.6m ERDF

Website: <http://www.interreg4a-manche.eu/index.php?lang=en>



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France Channel England Programme

Priority Axis 1: “Support innovation in order to address the economic and societal issues facing the FCE area” (€104.8m)

- To increase the delivery and uptake of innovative products, processes, systems and services in smart specialisation sectors
- Increase the quality and the effectiveness of service delivery to the most socially and economically disadvantaged groups through social innovation

Priority Axis 2: “Support the transition to a low carbon economy in the FCE area” (€41.9m)

- Increase the development and uptake of existing or new low-carbon technologies in the sectors that have the highest potential for a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions

Priority Axis 3: “Enhance the attractiveness of territories within the FCE area” (€62.8m)

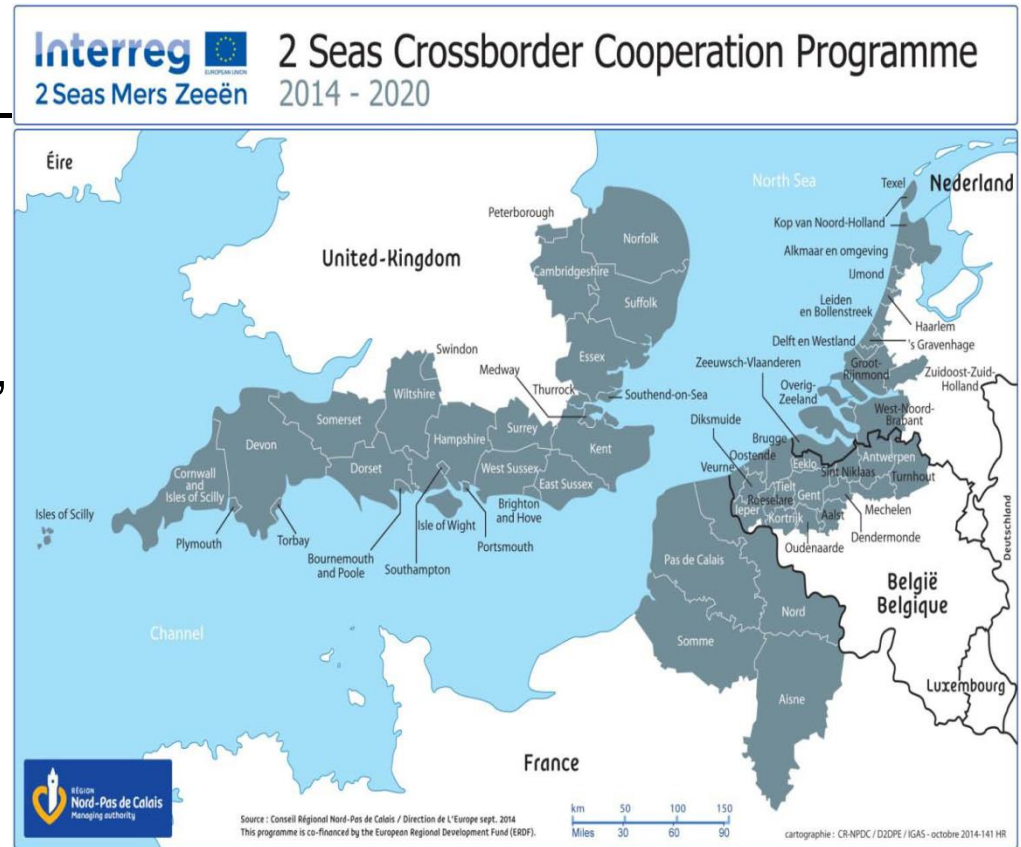
- To realise the potential of natural and cultural assets in delivering sustainable economic activities across the programme area
- Enhance and protect the Channel, the coastal regions and associated waterways

2 Seas Programme

Managing Authority: Nord Pas-de-Calais

Participating Member States:
France (Northern France), UK,
The Netherlands and Belgium
(Flanders)

Budget:
€241m ERDF



Website: www.interreg4a-2mers.eu/2014-2020/how-to-apply/en

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2 Seas Programme

Priority Axis 1: “Technological and social innovation” (Budget: 45% - €107.8m)

- **Improve the framework conditions for the delivery of innovation, in relation to smart specialisation**
- **Increase the delivery of innovation in smart specialisation sectors**
- **Increase the development of social innovation applications to make more efficient and effective local services to address the key societal challenges in the 2 Seas area**

Priority Axis 2 (Budget: 21% - €51.3m): “Low carbon technologies”

- **Increase the adoption of low-carbon technologies and applications in sectors that have the potential for a high reduction in greenhouse gas emissions**

Priority Axis 3 (Budget: 16% - €38.5m): “Adaptation to Climate Change”

- **Improve the ecosystem-based capacity of 2 Seas stakeholders to climate change and its associated water-related effects**

Priority Axis 4 (Budget: 18% - €43.6m): “Resource efficient economy”

- **Increase the adoption of new solutions for a more efficient use of natural resources and materials**
- **Increase the adoption of new circular economy solutions in the 2 Seas area**

North West Europe Programme

Managing Authority: Nord Pas de Calais

Participating Member states: UK,
Belgium, Netherlands, Ireland,
Luxembourg, France and Germany

Budget: EUR 396m

Website: www.nweurope.eu

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North West Europe Programme

Priority Axis 1. Innovation –

- To enhance innovation performance of enterprises throughout NWE regions. (€130,724,334)

Priority Axis 2. low Carbon –

- To facilitate the implementation of low-carbon, energy and climate protection strategies to reduce GHG emissions in N.W.E. (€47,536,121)
- To facilitate the uptake of low carbon technologies, products, processes and services in sectors with high energy saving potential, to reduce GHG emissions in NWE (€51,497,464)
- To facilitate the implementation of transnational low-carbon solutions in transport systems to reduce GHG-emissions in NWE. (€47,536,121)

Priority Axis 3 Resource & materials efficiency

- To optimise (re)use of material and natural resources in NWE (€95,072,242)

Atlantic Area Programme

Priority Axis 1: Stimulating innovation and competitiveness (€47m)

- Increase innovation capacity and design, development and testing of new products services and processes.

Priority Axis 2: Fostering resource efficiency (€30m)

- Better usage of alternative energy sources (tidal energy, eco-innovation and marine biotechnology)

Priority Axis 3: Strengthening our environmental resilience to risks (€15m)

- Minimise the risks and impact of environmental problems (mitigating flood risks, pollution and natural disasters)

Priority Axis 4: Enhancing biodiversity and natural / cultural assets (€39m)

- Improve biodiversity and better management of water catchment to mitigate environmental risks and economic impact

Atlantic Area Programme

Managing Authority:
Regional council for North,
Porto, Portugal

Participating Member States:
UK, Ireland, France, Spain and
Portugal

Budget:
€185m including €140m ERDF



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Interreg Europe Programme

Managing Authority: Nord Pas de Calais

Participating Member States: All 28 member states + Norway and Switzerland

Budget : €359m ERDF

Website: <http://www.interreg4c.eu>

Priority Axis 1 Research Technological development and Innovation: (€84.441,686) Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, in the field of research and innovation infrastructure and capacities.

Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, that support the delivery of innovation by actors in regional innovation chains in areas of “smart specialisation” and innovation opportunity.

Interreg Europe Programme

Priority Axis 2 Competitiveness of SME's: (€84,441.686) Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, supporting SMEs in all stages of their life cycle to develop and achieve growth and engage in innovation.

Priority Axis 3 Low Carbon –(€84,441,686) Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, addressing the transition to a low-carbon economy.

Priority Axis 4 Environment and resource efficiency (€84,441,686) Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, in the field of the protection and development of natural and cultural heritage.

URBACT and ESPON

Policy exchange and learning platforms

URBACT

- Innovative urban actions
- Budget: €96,324,550, including €74,301,909 ERDF
- Managing Authority: Commissariat Général à l'Égalité des Territoires
- Website: www.urbact.eu

ESPON

- Territorial cohesion, development and planning
- Budget: €48,678,851, including €41,377,019 ERDF
- Managing Authority: Luxembourg Ministry of Sustainable Development and Infrastructure
- Website: www.espon.eu

Relationship between Atlantic Strategy Action Plan and ETC

- Regulations – ETC programmes have to demonstrate synergy.
- Clear links between Atlantic Strategy and aims of ETC programmes – shared focus on EU2020, maritime aspect to many ETC programmes.
- But not ‘one and the same’ - some different focus, and different programme geography.
- Alignment more strategic – programmes will look at projects European, national and local strategic alignment.
- No direct selection criteria focused just on Atlantic Strategy, but links will be considered when projects are selected.
- So not essential to link ETC projects to Atlantic Strategy – but where links can be made, they should be.

Things to consider when applying...

There are specific selection criteria and application processes for each programme, but generally you should consider:

- Why do you need ETC funding, what is the international need?
- What (demand-led) market failure are you addressing?
- How does your project fit with wider strategy/policy at EU, national and/or local level (Atlantic Strategy relevant here)
- What tangible change will you deliver, what benefits will local people and businesses enjoy?
- How are your results durable and sustainable, how will you ensure they are rolled out more widely?
- How will you deliver the project successfully, effectively and compliantly?

Contact Points can help with more details on specific programmes.



Thanks for listening!

Happy to discuss further after today...

**...but please use contact details given in
earlier slides...**

Any questions?