



# European Regional Development Fund ERDF 2021-2027

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# **ERDF Priorities:**



#### Priorities for 2021-2027

In 2021-2027 EU cohesion policy has set a shorter, modern menu of **5 policy objectives** supporting growth for the period 2021-2027.

- 1. a more **competitive** and **smarter** Europe
- 2. a greener, low-carbon transitioning towards a net zero carbon economy
- 3. a more **connected** Europe by enhancing mobility
- 4. a more **social** and inclusive Europe
- 5. Europe closer to citizens by fostering the sustainable and integrated development of all types of territories

#### **Funds priorities**

The **European Regional Development Fund** will support investments all 5 policy objectives, but **1** and **2** are the main priorities





## ERDF Priorities 1 and 2

1. a more competitive and smarter Europe

More competitive and smarter, through innovation and support to small and medium-sized businesses, as well <u>as digitisation and digital</u> <u>connectivity</u>

2. a **greener**, low-carbon transitioning towards a net zero carbon economy

**Greener,** low-carbon and <u>resilient</u>





## Thematic concentration



<u>Based on their prosperity</u>, all regions and Member States will concentrate the support on a more competitive and smarter Europe (policy objective — **PO 1**), as well as greener, low-carbon transitioning towards a net zero carbon economy and resilient Europe (**PO2**), through the mechanism known as 'thematic concentration'. All regions and Member States (MSs) will concentrate at least 30% of their allocation to PO 2 and:

- -More developed regions or MSs will dedicate at least 85% of their allocation to PO1 and PO2;
- -Transition regions or MSs at least 40% to PO1;
- -Less developed regions or MSs at least 25% to PO1.

All regions and Member States will also concentrate at least 8% of their allocation to urban development that will be delivered through local development partnerships with different tools.

Operations under the ERDF are also expected to contribute 30 % of the overall financial envelope to climate objectives.







Investment for jobs and growth goal (ERDF and ESF+) eligibility, 2021-2027

Categories of regions

Less developed regions (GDP/head (PPS) less than 75% of the EU-27 average)

Transition regions (GDP/head (PPS) between 75% and 100% of the EU-27 average)

More developed regions (GDP/head (PPS) above 100% of the EU-27 average)

GDP/head: average 2015-2016-2017

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## *INTERREG*



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#### Interreg strands

- -cross-border cooperation between adjacent regions to promote integrated and harmonious regional development between neighbouring land and maritime border regions ('Interreg A')
- -transnational cooperation over larger transnational territories or around sea basins, involving national, regional and local programme partners in Member States, third countries and partner countries and OCTs, with a view to achieving a higher degree of territorial integration ('Interreg B');
- -interregional cooperation to reinforce the effectiveness of cohesion policy ('Interreg C') by promoting: exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building



# Major tool to built partnerships in Interreg 2014-2020 Waiting next period



