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## Key changes to period 2014-2020

- The new system of 5 policy objectives, 21 specific objectives and common indicators for output and results are introduced in order to enhance the result orientation of programmes, while also achieving simplification.
- Outputs and results are defined at intervention (project) level.
- The list of common output indicators is extended in order to ensure better policy coverage.
- Common result indicators are proposed in order to limit the extent of non-comparable data collected based on programme specific indicators.

# Harmonization and Simplification

*More comparable data based on the use of fewer indicators*

## Period 2014-2020

11 Thematic Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 56 Investment Priorities</li><li>• 3573 Specific Objectives</li></ul>	Results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 5082 records programme specific</li></ul>	Outputs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 46 common indicators (6481 records)</li><li>• 4813 records programme specific</li></ul>
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*Note: Based on data in adopted programmes, REGIO SFC, October 2018*

## Period 2021-2027

5 Policy Objectives	21 Specific Objectives	Results: 85 common indicators + programme specific	Outputs: 85 common indicators + programme specific
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# Consolidation of the indicator system

## 2014 – 2020

- Policy results
- Common indicators for outputs
- Use of common indicators whenever relevant
- Programme-specific indicators when needed
- Coverage gaps (ex: ICT, climate change)
- Reliance on external data sources (ex: regional surveys)

## 2021 – 2027

- Results at intervention level
- Common indicators for outputs and results
- Use of common indicators whenever relevant
- Programme-specific indicators when needed
- Higher policy coverage
- Data collection from projects

# Clarification Annexes I and II

## *ERDF & CF Proposal*

### **Annex I – Common ERDF&CF indicators**

- **Common indicators to be selected in programmes**
- **Data to be collected from projects via the monitoring systems**
- **Aggregated data reported by Member States to the Commission**

### **Annex II – Performance information**

- **Reported by the Commission to Council and European Parliament**
- **Consolidated data from common indicators values reported by programmes (direct mapping into Annex I)**
- **Calculated by the Commission**

## Steps until today

- The Council delegated the discussion on Annexes 1 and 2 in ERDF and Cohesion Fund Regulation to the expert group of REGIO Evaluation Network.
- Extensive consultation process on the common indicators proposed for ERDF and Cohesion Fund: 5 meetings (January – May 2019)
- The definition and other metadata will be presented for each indicator in the fiches, which will be included in the EC guidelines on indicators.



## Steps until today

- Mandate of Interact to support and inform the discussion process on the Common Indicators for Interreg in Annex 1 to the Draft ERDF Regulation
- Technical meeting with DG Regio and Interreg programme representatives based on first draft explanatory fiche on 19-20 February in Vienna
- Consideration of comments and revision of fiche as well as proposed revisions to some of the indicators
- 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of DG Regio and Interreg programmes on 14 May, Leuven: collection of comments from participants based on the revised fiche
- Draft revised set of indicators
- Presentation of revised list (Annex I and Annex II) to the Council on 27 May



## NEXT STEPS

- Further work on the indicator fiches: definition, concepts, methodology to collect the data
- Informal working group: Harmonising programme specific indicator for TN/CBC (planned for beginning 2020)

# THE APPROACH – Annex 1 ERDF and Cohesion Fund Regulation

- The **common indicators** should be used in programmes when relevant.
- Programmes will also have the possibility to use **programme specific indicators** when needed.
- The **result indicators** should be chosen such that they reflect the main objectives of the interventions.

# THE APPROACH - Annex 1 ERDF and Cohesion Fund Regulation

- All common indicators proposed are defined at intervention level
- Different types of output and result indicators:
  - The “generic indicator” (ex: RCO01, RCO02 etc), marked with \* in, can be used in any specific objective in the programme.
  - the thematic indicators not marked by \*: are relevant only for the specific objective for which they are listed in the annex.
  - The horizontal indicators: to measure aspects of implementation
  - The Interreg specific indicators (Table 2 in Annex 1, ERDF and Cohesion Fund Regulation)



# Interreg indicators: The proposed set of common indicators

- The proposed set of Common Indicators:
- Has been developed as a common denominator of most frequently used programme-specific indicators
- Should be easily understood
- Aims for improved coverage of Interreg (target is 70%)
- It is not:
  - A coherent and consistent systemic approach (which would most probably fail to cover a significant range of programmes)

# Indicator fiche\_revised\_April 2019

		INITIAL VERSION	REVISED VERSION
Description	Indicator Code	RCO81	RCO81
	Indicator Name	Participants in cross-border mobility initiatives	Participants in joint actions across borders
	Brief definition	Participants in joint actions implemented in supported projects.	Participants in joint actions implemented in supported projects.
	Measurement unit	participants	participants
	Type	output	output
Relevance	Message	The indicator is a proxy of cross-border cooperation	The indicator is a proxy measure of cooperation across borders
	Policy objective	all, when relevant	all, when relevant
	Specific objective	all, when relevant	all, when relevant
	Use with other common output indicators		
	Associated result indicators	RCR85	RCR85
	Link to 2014-2020	CO43	CO43
	Linkages of other Indicators (SDGs)		
	Contribution to corporate indicators		
Methodology	Underlying definitions and concepts	The indicator counts the number of participants in joint actions across borders implemented in the supported projects. Cross-border joint actions could include, for instance, exchange activities, fairs and exhibitions, exchange visits, events etc. Participants include individuals (e.g citizens, volunteers, students, pupils, trainees, public officials etc). An individual should be counted once if participating in several joint actions organised by the same project.	The indicator counts the number of participants in joint actions across borders implemented in the supported projects. Cross-border joint actions could include, for instance, exchange activities or exchange visits, small scale event organized with partners across borders. Participants include individuals (e.g citizens, volunteers, students, pupils, trainees, public officials etc). An individual should be counted once if
	Aggregation		
	Data source	Projects	Projects
	Time measurement	Project completion	Project completion
	Reporting	Forecast for selected projects and achieved	Forecast for selected projects and achieved
	Risks		
Governance	Data provider	Managing Authority	Managing Authority
	Data management contact		
	Public availability	Open Data Platform for ESI Funds	Open Data Platform for ESI Funds
Notes			
Example			

Table 2: Additional common output and result indicators for the ERDF for Interreg

<p><del>RCO 81 - Participants</del> <u>Participations</u> in cross border mobility initiatives <u>joint actions across borders</u></p> <p><u>RCO 115 - Participations in public events across borders</u></p> <p><del>RCO 82 - Participants</del> <u>Participations</u> in joint actions promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion</p> <p><del>RCO 83 - Joint s</del><u>Strategies/ and</u> action plans <u>jointly</u> developed or implemented</p> <p><del>RCO 84 - Joint p</del><u>Pilot activities</u> <u>actions developed jointly and</u> implemented in projects</p> <p><u>RCO 116 - Jointly developed solutions</u></p> <p><del>RCO 85 - Participants</del> <u>Participations</u> in joint training schemes</p> <p><del>RCO 96 - Legal or administrative obstacles identified</del></p> <p><u>RCO 117 - Solutions for legal or administrative obstacles across border identified</u></p> <p><del>RCO 86 - Joint administrative or legal agreements signed</del></p> <p><del>RCO 87 - Organisations cooperating across borders</del></p> <p><del>RCO 88 - Projects across national borders for peer learning to enhance cooperation activities</del></p> <p><del>RCO 89 - Projects across borders to improve multilevel governance</del></p> <p><u>RCO 118 - Organisations cooperating for the multi-level governance of macroregional strategies</u></p> <p><del>RCO 90 - Projects across national borders leading to</del> <u>for innovation networks/clusters across borders</u></p>	<p><del>RCR 79 - Joint strategies/and</del> action plans taken up by organisations at/ after project completion</p> <p><del>RCR 80 - Joint pilot activities taken up or up-scaled by organisations</del> at/ after project completion</p> <p><u>RCR 104 - Solutions taken up or up-scaled by organisations</u></p> <p><del>RCR 81 - Participants completing</del> <u>Completions of</u> joint training schemes</p> <p><del>RCR 82 - Legal or administrative obstacles across borders addressed or alleviated</del> <u>or resolved</u></p> <p><del>RCR 83 - Persons covered by signed joint</del> <u>administrative or legal</u> agreements signed</p> <p><del>RCR 84 - Organisations cooperating across borders 6-12 months</del> after project completion</p> <p><del>RCR 85 - Participants</del> <u>Participations</u> in joint actions <del>6-12 months</del> <u>across borders</u> after project completion</p> <p><del>RCR 86 - Stakeholders/ institutions with enhanced cooperation capacity beyond national borders</del></p>
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# Draft provisions on indicators – 1/3

## Draft Interreg Regulation - Article 33

1. Common output and common result indicators, as set out in Annex [I] to Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], and, where necessary, programme-specific output and result indicators shall be used in accordance with Article [12(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], and point (d)(ii) of Article 17(3) and point (b) of Article 31(2) of this Regulation.
2. For output indicators, baselines shall be set at zero. The milestones set for 2024 and targets set for 2029 shall be cumulative.

# Draft provisions – 2/3

## Draft CPR – Article 12(1)

Performance framework in order to monitor and evaluate performance – including output and result indicators linked to specific objectives

## Article **17 (4) e (ii)** - Content of Interreg programmes

Output and result indicators at level of specific objectives

# Draft provisions – 3/3

## Article 31 - Transmission of data

- a. the number of selected Interreg operations, their total eligible cost, the contribution from the respective Interreg fund and the total eligible expenditure declared by the partners to the managing authority, all broken down by types of intervention;*
- b. the values of output and result indicators for selected Interreg operations and values achieved by Interreg operations.*

*Frequency per year **COM**: 6x; **EP** a) =3x; b) 1x; **MS**: a) 4x; b) 2x*



# Indicators – Related Provisions

- Definitions output and result indicators -> CPR Art. 2 (12-13)
- Indicators linked to specific objective -> CPR Art. 12
- Reporting - Annex VII CPR, Tables 3-6
- Common and programme specific indicators -> ERDF&CF Art. 7
- Annexes I and II -> ERDF&CF Art. 7





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