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Break-out group discussion:

# Adaptation policies in transnational regions in Europe

# Relevance of European transnational adaptation

- **A great variety of macro regional co-operations** on Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) all over Europe, but **in different phases of development**.
- **Macro regional cooperation on CCA is complementary to the national strategies** developed by EU Member states. Input from national policies is necessary.
- At EU level the **2013 EU Climate Change Adaptation Strategy** has mentioned the adaptation policy for transnational regions with the aim to contribute to a more climate-resilient Europe.
- **European Structural and Investment funds, Horizon 2020 and LIFE programme** provide significant support also to transnational regions to invest in adaptation programmes and projects.

# The European regions:

There are **12 regions in Europe** for transnational co-operation (*DG REGIO regions*, selected from a funding angle):

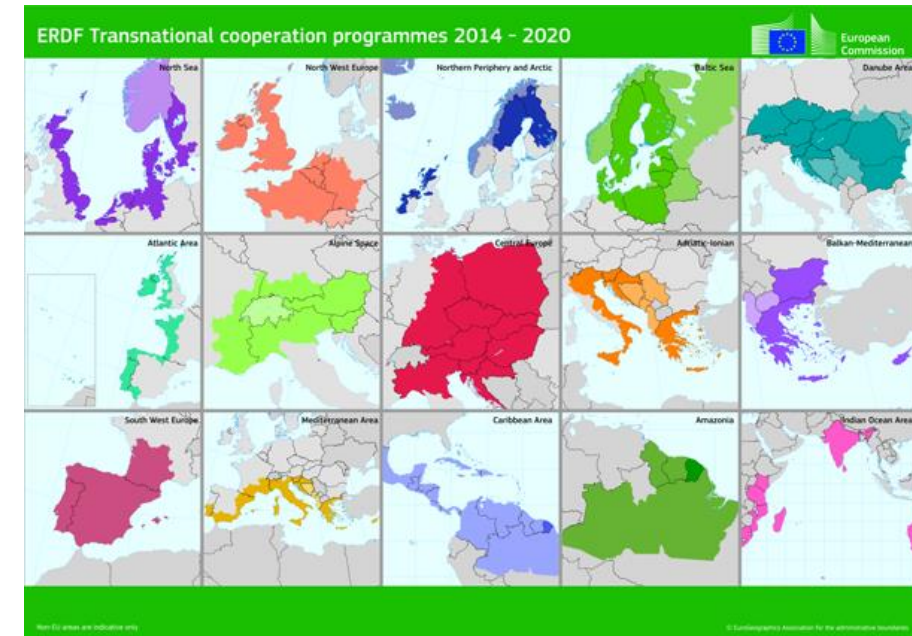
*Adriatic-Ionian, Alpine Space, Atlantic Area, Balkan-Mediterranean, Baltic Sea, Central Europe, Danube, Mediterranean, North Sea, North West Europe, Northern Periphery and Arctic, South West Europe.*

**4 EU agreed strategies** exist for **four macro-national regions**:

1. Strategy for the [Baltic Sea Region](#),
2. Strategy for the [Danube Region](#),
3. Strategy for the [Alpine Region](#),
4. Strategy for the [Adriatic and Ionian Region](#)

**Regional Conventions** and **partnership/intergovernmental cooperations** exist:

- **Arctic** - Arctic Council, Nordic Council of Ministers, Barents Euro-Arctic Council
- **Baltic** – Convention on the Protection of the Marine Environment of Baltic Sea Area
- **Alps** - Alpine Convention
- **Carpathians** - Carpathian Convention
- **Pyrenees** - Working Community of the Pyrenees, Pyrenees Climate Change Observatory
- **Mediterranean** - Mediterranean Action Plan, Barcelona Convention (Marrakesh Declaration, Regional Framework for Climate Change Adaptation in the Mediterranean), Union for the Mediterranean (Climate Change Expert Group)



# EEA and ETC/CCA expertise involved + Advisory Group:

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# ETC/CCA and EEA current activity on CCA in transnational regions

- **2017:** Review state of the art of CCA policies in transnational regions in Europe as well as the knowledge available through a **desk study**
- **December 2017:** Preparation of **13 fact sheets** for different regions and final **Scoping Paper**
- **February 2018:** definition of **Advisory Group**
- **March 2018:** finalization of 13 Factsheets and Annotated Outline of ETC/CCA Technical Paper
- **March – April 2018:** Advisory Group review of Factsheets and Annotated Outline
- **First week June 2018:** **1° draft Technical Paper**
- **End July 2018:** **2° draft Technical Paper**
- **August 2018:** Advisory Group + possible EIONET MS review 2° draft Technical paper
- **September 2018:** using the Factsheets, update **Climate ADAPT transnational pages**
- **End October 2018:** **Final version Technical paper**
- **November 2018:** **Publication ETC/CCA Technical Paper and EEA Briefing**



## Acknowledgement

## Summary

### 1. Introduction

*1.1 Objectives and applied methodology*

*1.2 Transnational regions*

### 2. Climate Changes, impacts and vulnerability in transnational regions

### 3 Cooperation programmes and initiatives for CCA in transnational regions

### 4. Knowledge creation and sharing at transnational level

*4.1 Knowledge creation through projects*

*4.2 knowledge centres and platform*

### 5. Concluding remarks

*5.1 Lesson learned*

*5.2 Conclusions*

### 6. References

**Annex 1: “EEA and EIONET”**

**Annex 2: “EU Overseas Entities”**

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transnational regions

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# Questions for the discussion

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1. Taking into consideration the annotated outline of the ETC/CCA Technical Paper, what are your views on the **focus**, **objectives** and **approach** of the EEA work on this topic?
2. Which **EEA activities** within this topic have a **high priority** from your perspective?
3. Are you interested to provide **some support** (e.g. reviewing the outline, factsheets and Technical Paper) to this EEA work?