

INTERREG

Interreg Projects should address the **specific needs and challenges** of their territory, and demonstrate a good understanding of how to engage with the **priorities** of this programme. In addition, partners should have a proven track record to implement, draw from a realistic budget, and understand the **context** of each territory with the right kind of **expertise**.

The aim is a very strong impact at a territorial level, and long lasting results beyond the project output. A **clear methodology** is also necessary to monitor and evaluate impact, and also to communicate with clarity between partners. This contributes to a heightened sense of the **balance for better cooperation**, to develop strategies across borders, and joint-actions and activities with **high impact**.

Successful projects require visibility and communication. Projects are encouraged to develop a **communication plan** that outlines a strategy, raises awareness of each activity, and engages with a variety of audiences and the overall programme of INTERREG.

WHERE TO START

Every call for Interreg has a list of specific objectives to choose from. Send us a summary of your idea by email, and we'll try and match them with the best opportunities.

If you already have a set-project, an objective, and partners in line, then send your templates:

TO: funding.rssd@um.edu.mt

CC: projectsupport@um.edu.mt

Please use this Navigator as a general guide, and look at the full programme of each call for all the necessary details.

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4TH CALL FOR INTERREG
COORDINATOR

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DEADLINE IS
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NEXT MED
FINAL DRAFT

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3RD CALL FOR INTERREG
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FINAL DRAFT

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EU PORTAL

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THIS 4TH CALL FOR INTERREG EURO MED IS ONLY FOR TEST PROJECTS OR TRANSFER PROJECTS.

FULL PROGRAMME AND UM
TEMPLATES TO DOWNLOAD

[UM Budget for Interreg EUROPE](#)

[UM Budget for Interreg Next Med](#)

[UM Budget for Interreg Euro Med](#)

EUROPE

3RD CALL HAS ONE OVERARCHING PRIORITY AND AIMS FOR BETTER GOVERNANCE AND COOPERATION

COORDINATOR

PARTNER

FINAL DRAFT

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This call for **INTERREG EUROPE** invites proposals for projects of about four (4) years, and two phases: **A Core Phase** and **A Follow Up** too.

The core is built from **the exchange of experiences and pilot actions**, and a follow up is based on **monitoring and the effects** of your policy improvements.

The overall objective is to improve the implementation of regional development policies, including Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes, by promoting the exchange of experiences, innovative approaches, and capacity building in relation to the identification, dissemination and transfer of good practices among regional policy actors.

Good Practices are essential to reach this goal. By sharing regional strengths and needs, we can go on to identify what's relevant as a region and learn how to achieve it in diversity. This approach allows you to achieve the overall objective and reach for better governance and cooperation.



EUROPE

FULL LIST OF SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

PRIORITY 1. A SMARTER EUROPE

OBJECTIVE 1.1 R&I Capacities for Adv Tech

OBJECTIVE 1.2 Digitisation

OBJECTIVE 1.3 SME Competitiveness

OBJECTIVE 1.4 S3, Industry and
Entrepreneurship

OBJECTIVE 1.5 Digital Connectivity

PRIORITY 2. A GREENER EUROPE

OBJECTIVE 2.1 Energy Efficiency

OBJECTIVE 2.2 Renewable Energy

OBJECTIVE 2.3 Smart Energy Systems

OBJECTIVE 2.4 Climate Change Adaptation

OBJECTIVE 2.5 Water Management

OBJECTIVE 2.6 Circular Economy

OBJECTIVE 2.7 Nature and Biodiversity

OBJECTIVE 2.8 Zero Carbon Urban Mobility

EUROPE

FULL LIST OF SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

PRIORITY 3. A MORE CONNECTED EUROPE

OBJECTIVE 3.1 Sustainable TEN-T

OBJECTIVE 3.2 Sustainable Mobility

PRIORITY 4. A MORE SOCIAL EUROPE

OBJECTIVE 4.1 Effective and Inclusive
Social Economy

OBJECTIVE 4.2 Access to Education

OBJECTIVE 4.3 Social Inclusion

OBJECTIVE 4.4 Integration of Third
Country Nationals

OBJECTIVE 4.5 Health Care

OBJECTIVE 4.6 Culture and Sustainable
Tourism

PRIORITY 5. A EUROPE CLOSER TO CITIZENS

OBJECTIVE 5.1 Integrated Territorial
Development (urban)

OBJECTIVE 5.2 Integrated Territorial
Development
(other Non-Urban)

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EVERY PROPOSAL SHOULD INCLUDE

PROJECT TYPES

PRIORITY
1, 2, 3,
OR 4

PROJECT
TYPE I. II.
OR III.

+

ONLY ONE
OBJECTIVE

I. THEMATIC PROJECT
II. YOUTH PROJECT
III. GOV PROJECT

PRIORITY 1. A SMARTER MEDITERRANEAN

OBJECTIVE 1.1 Consolidating a Competitive Innovation Ecosystem

PRIORITY 2. A GREENER MEDITERRANEAN

OBJECTIVE 2.6 Supporting Circular Economy

OBJECTIVE 2.4 Promoting Climate Change Adaptation and Risk Prevention

OBJECTIVE 2.7 Enhancing Nature and Biodiversity

OBJECTIVE 6.6 Better Governance

Thematic Projects generally apply for objectives under Priority 1 to 3. Exceptional objectives, such as 6.6, also makes way for Priority 6: Better Governance, and works in tandem with Priority 2.

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4TH CALL FOR THEMATIC PROJECTS

Thematic Projects address challenges that are **specific to territories**. These proposals should have a strong ability to **demonstrate and pilot** their project, as well as find wealth, and **redevelop existing knowledge** for new solutions. This is crucial for innovation. The idea is not to reinvent the wheel, but to find opportunities to develop from within it. More specifically, they aim to develop high-impact joint actions for better cooperation, strategy, and innovation across borders.

For this call, your Thematic Project has to focus on

- **1 Objective and its Priority** from the next pages
- Designed as a project for **Testing** or **Transfer**

Test Projects act as a bridge between innovation and implementation. They rigorously evaluate new solutions through pilot programs, experiments, and demonstrations. This practical testing helps determine the effectiveness, impact range, and best practices for these solutions. Ultimately, Test Projects validate the feasibility and efficiency of innovative approaches.

Transfer Projects bridge the gap between research and reality, they transform research projects into actionable solutions. By adapting and testing these practices, Transfer Projects aim to make a tangible difference on the ground, spreading effective approaches across a wider area. These projects can target specific communities or encompass broader regions, bringing together diverse stakeholders to collaborate and achieve positive change.

**4TH CALL FOR THEMATIC PROJECTS****PRIORITY 1. A Smarter Mediterranean****OBJECTIVE 1.1 Consolidating a Competitive Innovation Ecosystem**

The aim is to foster collaboration between 4Helix Stakeholders, including public authorities, research and knowledge centers, companies, and civil society organizations. This collaboration is expected to lead to increased entrepreneurial discovery, improved technology transfer, and support for smart specialization strategies. The initiative outlines specific actions to achieve these goals, such as establishing innovation platforms, supporting knowledge transfer offices, facilitating access to finance for startups, and organizing joint training programs and communication campaigns.

PRIORITY 2. A Greener Mediterranean**OBJECTIVE 2.6 Supporting Circular Economy**

This initiative addresses waste management and is focused on 3 key objectives: To minimise waste generation by prevention and resource efficiency in a products lifecycle; To Encourage reuse and repair of materials; To improve waste collection and systems to sort waste.

The actions aim to result in a reduction of waste generation, to decrease reliance on natural resources, and the creation of new jobs. Indicators are several and focus on awareness campaigns, development of eco-design strategies and networks for both repair and reuse, and public-private partnerships – all crucial elements for fostering a more sustainable circular economy.

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PRIORITY 2. A Greener Mediterranean

OBJECTIVE 2.4 Promoting Climate Change Adaptation

This initiative tackles climate change through integrated territorial management, promoting a multi-pronged approach. It emphasizes energy transition across all sectors – reducing greenhouse gasses and fostering energy-efficient, sustainable urban development. To achieve this, the project focuses on enhancing climate risk prevention and preparedness, promoting greener living areas with eco-friendly infrastructure, and embracing circular economy principles. Strengthening environmental monitoring systems, investing in education and capacity building, and fostering transnational cooperation are all crucial aspects for success in building more resilient and sustainable territories for the future.

PRIORITY 2. A Greener Mediterranean

OBJECTIVE 2.7 Enhancing Nature and Biodiversity

This initiative tackles the challenge of protecting natural habitats, particularly in coastal areas. Recognizing the importance of the Natura 2000 network for biodiversity and healthy ecosystems, the project addresses threats like coastal erosion, habitat degradation, and unsustainable practices. It aims to achieve this through: Promoting Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) practices for sustainable management and Strengthening governance frameworks for better collaboration. The call is also focused on improving ecological connectivity and restoring degraded ecosystems, especially within Natura 2000 sites. Monitoring and tracking progress are crucial aspects to ensure the long-term success of these interventions.

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PRIORITY 2. A Greener Mediterranean

OBJECTIVE 6.6 For Better Governance under Green Med

Better Mediterranean Governance aims to foster improved cooperation across various levels. It emphasizes building a strategic framework, particularly for maritime governance. This also provides for the ability to enhance the institutional capacity of actors, improved data exchange and information sharing, as well as the promotion of joint operations and piloting of new approaches. Indicators are several, including the capacities of search and rescue operations, the promotion of joint actions to fight illegal fishing and trafficking, to establish a platform for regular dialogue and information exchange, as well as maritime and governance stakeholders, among others.

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SECOND EXTENSION FOR DEADLINE

NEXT MED

NEW DEADLINE FOR NEXT MED IS 30 MAY 2024

Internal deadlines have also changed for us too. You can apply with **UM as Partner until 6 May 2024**, and, or, send your **Final Draft Proposal for UM by 23rd May 2024**.

PRIORITY 1. A Smarter Mediterranean

1.1 Research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies

1.2 Sustainable growth and competitiveness of SMEs and job creation in SMEs

PRIORITY 2. A Greener Mediterranean

2.1 Energy efficiency and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

2.2 Climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, resilience taking into account ecosystem based approaches.

2.3 Access to water and sustainable water management

2.4 Transition to a circular and efficient resource economy

PRIORITY 3. A More Social Mediterranean

3.1 Equal access to inclusive and quality services in education, training and lifelong learning through developing accessible infrastructure, including by fostering resilience for distance and on-line education and training

3.2 Equal access to health care and fostering resilience of health systems, including primary care, and promoting the transition from institutional to family- and community-based care

PRIORITY 4. For Better Governance

4.1 To foster models for local governance. This takes the shape of transnational exchanges, bottom-up and participatory approaches, and cross-sectoral, multilevel and cross-border partnerships. The aim is to encourage cooperation and dialogue between citizens, civil society actors, and institutions and to address issues at local level.