



EUROPEAN REGIONS RESEARCH AND INNOVATION NETWORK





WHO ARE WE?

OUR MEMBERS

120

Members

20+

Countries



Brussels-based collaboration



Quadruple helix involvement



Ecosystem approach



ERRIN FINNISH MEMBERS

West Finland European Office

Tampere Region EU Office

Helsinki EU Office



East and North Finland EU Office

Häme EU Office

Turku – Southwest Finland European Office

OUR MISSIONS



Bring a **place-based perspective** to EU research and innovation policy and programmes



Make connections and facilitate EU engagement between member regions, EU institutions, and other partners



Increase project opportunities for members



Position regional interests in the research and innovation landscape



WHAT WE OFFER

OUR SERVICES

14 WORKING GROUPS

Policy dialogues, workshops, mutual learning, networking, matchmaking.



PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Targeted information on funding and calls, project facilitation activities and online tools.



POLICY

Dialogue with EU institutions and bottom-up work for regional and local dimensions in EU R&I.



Cooperation



Information sharing



Visibility

NETWORK PRIORITIES



Shape and increase
engagement in EU
Missions



Widen and deepen
engagement in R&I

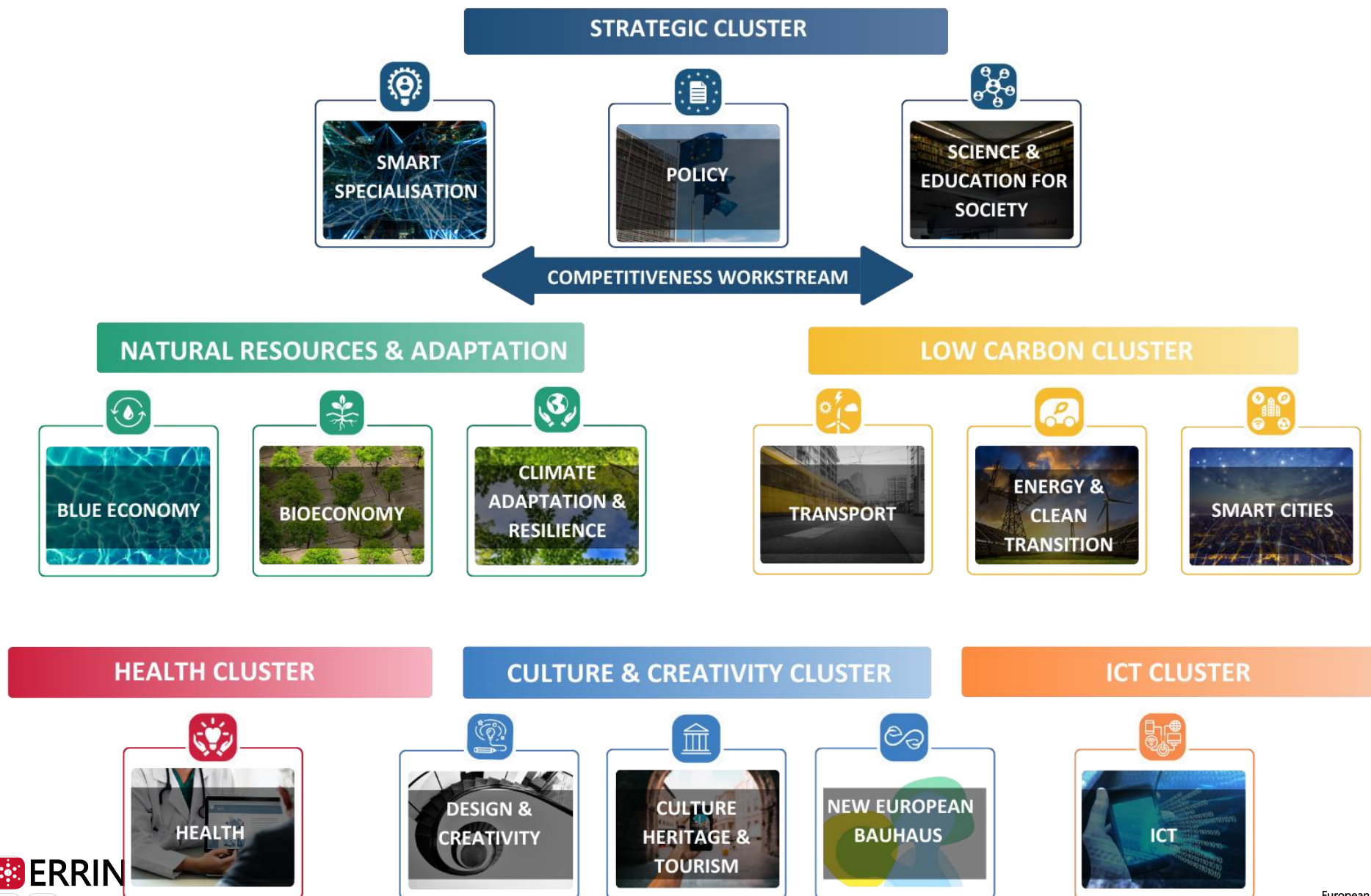




WORKING GROUPS



ERRIN'S CLUSTER STRUCTURE



WORKING GROUPS IN PRACTICE



60+ leaders leading the work,
representing 40+ regional
ecosystems



Networking



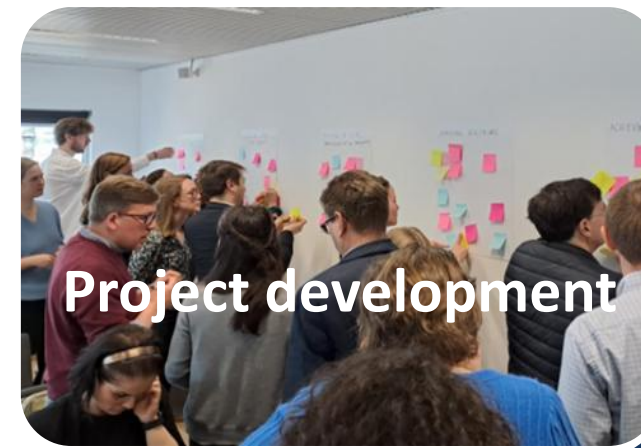
Influencing policy



Exchanging information
and local practices

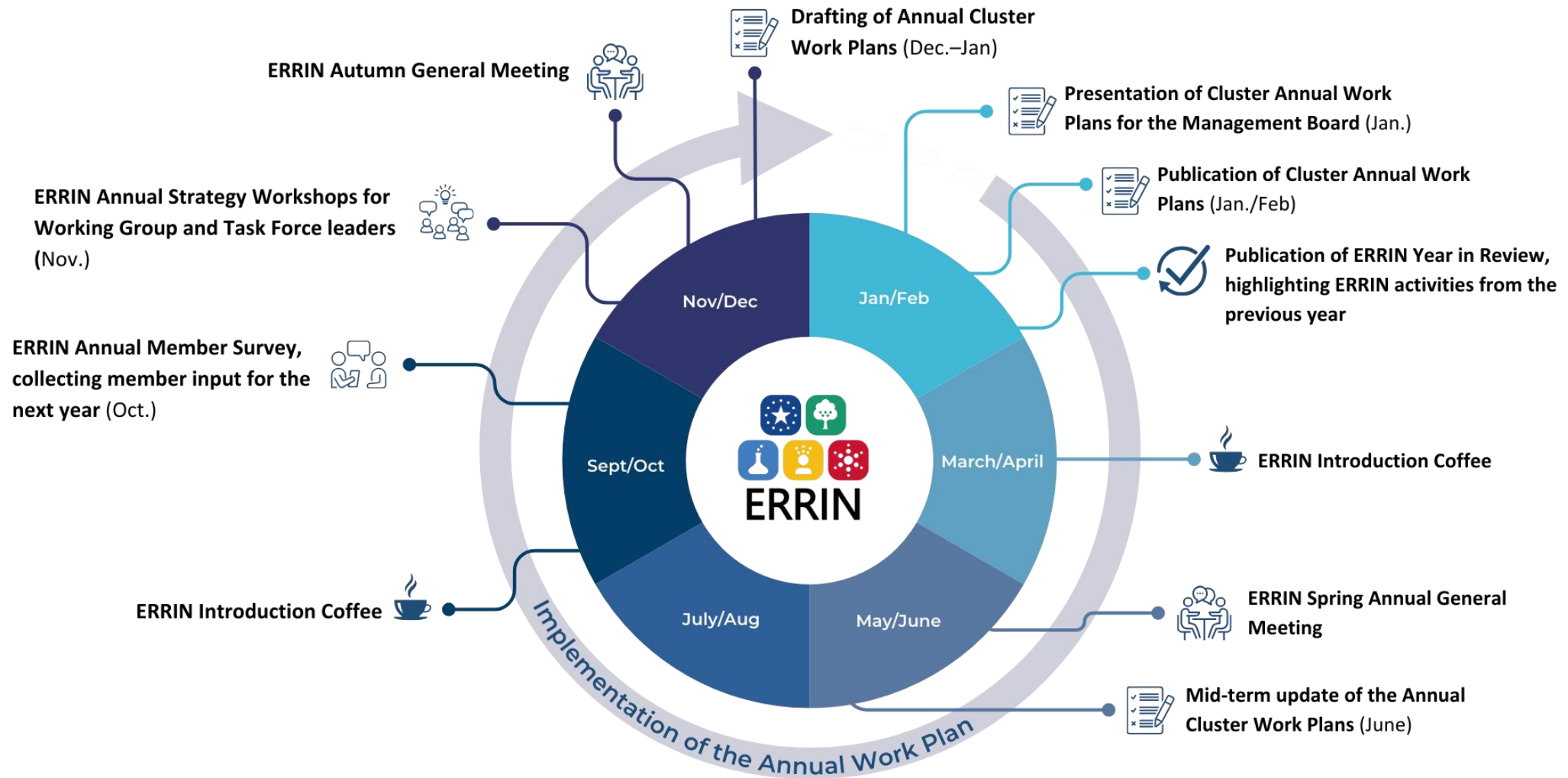


Building partnerships and
fostering your network



Project development

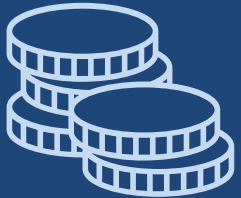
ANNUAL WORK CYCLE



PRIORITIES FOR 2026



Reinforcing research and innovation ecosystems



MFF-post 2027

- FP10
- European Competitiveness Fund
- Cohesion policy
- LIFE programme
- Erasmus+



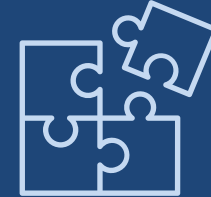
Projects & funding

- Project Development Tool
- Support for building consortia
- Matchmaking/project development sessions
- Info on upcoming calls & opportunities
- Guidance on I3



Interregional collaboration

- Networking and matchmaking opportunities
- Online events
- Best practices
- Strengthen members capacities to find partners & projects



Thematic priorities

- Climate adaptation
- Environment
- Bio & circular economy
- Industrial decarbonisation
- Mobility
- Energy
- Housing
- NEB
- ERA & Innovation Act
- Skills
- Defence & resilience
- Advanced logistics & technologies
- Digital transformation
- Advanced AI
- Quantum
- Health



LOW CARBON CLUSTER

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ERRIN Projects

Key workstreams:

- EU Cities Mission: 100 climate-neutral and smart cities by 2030
- EU Agenda for Cities
- Digital services for cities
- Sustainable and Affordable Housing
- Competitiveness, Net-Zero Industry Act and Net-Zero Acceleration Valleys
- Energy Grids
- Hydrogen Valleys
- Preparedness of infrastructure and dual use
- Sustainable and smart mobility

NET ZERO CITIES

CAPACITIES
Advancing national support
for climate neutral cities

ERRIN'S ROLE IN THE CITIES MISSION

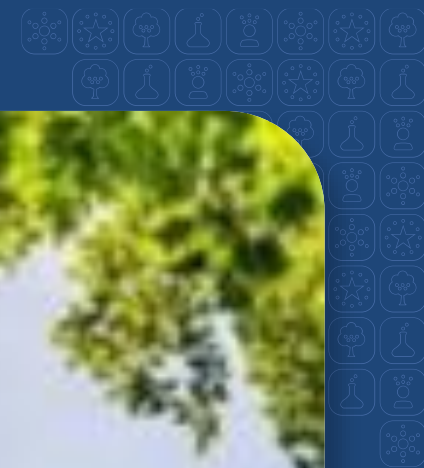
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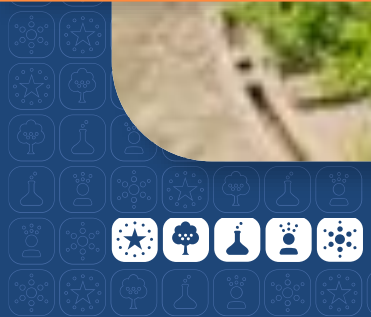
Advancing national support
for climate neutral cities

- **Two City Advisors:** French cities, Latvian cities
- Support to Mission Cities in developing and implementing their **Climate City Contracts**
- **Policy**
 - Multi-level governance
 - EU funding programmes – e.g. Cohesion policy
 - National governments and platforms
- Support to **Mission-minded cities**
- **Stakeholder engagement**
- Creation of external **partnerships**

- Supporting the creation and scaling of **national platforms** linking cities, regions and national authorities
- Identifying and enhancing **regional enabling conditions**, including governance, regulatory and funding frameworks
- Strengthening **regional capacities** to support cities in delivering climate neutrality under the EU Cities Mission
- Connecting **European and international initiatives** to increase alignment and impact



NATURAL RESOURCES CLUSTER



NATURAL RESOURCES AND ADAPTATION CLUSTER

NATURAL RESOURCES & ADAPTATION



Upcoming activities:

- [Cluster Kick-Off meeting 2026](#) | 26 January

Key workstreams:

- EU Bioeconomy Strategy & Circular Economy Act
- EU Missions (Soil, Climate Adaptation, Ocean and Waters)
- Project development sessions (Cluster 6 and EU Missions)
- Ocean Act & Water resilience strategy
- European Climate resilience framework

ERRIN Projects



co-waters



MIP Ocean



MISSION OCEAN & WATERS – OPEN OPPORTUNITIES

BLUE
ACTION
BANOS



COMMUNITY-LED ACTIONS OPEN CALL



WHO CAN APPLY:

Teams/consortia of a minimum of 2 up to 12 entities registered in the Baltic and North Sea basin (BANOS) countries



Grants between **€200,000 and €2 million** to carry out action-oriented projects that tackle pollution, restore marine ecosystems, or advance sustainable blue economy solutions.

24 months Support Programme at maximum



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BLUE
ACTION
BANOS



1ST TRANSITION AGENDAS OPEN CALL



WHO CAN APPLY:

Individual entities or consortia of up to 3 entities registered in the Baltic and North Sea basin (BANOS) countries



Up to **€100,000 each** to design action plans guiding local sustainability, marine or freshwater ecosystem restoration, decarbonisation and climate adaptation pathways

18 months Support Programme at maximum



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[here!](#)

MISSION OCEAN & WATERS – OPEN OPPORTUNITIES



TWO STEPS TO APPLY:



Compulsory submission of the **Project Idea Form** and **individual consultations**



Submit as soon as possible (**deadline: 16 March 2026, 17:00 Brussels time**) and join individual consultations.



Submission of the **full proposal**



Deadline: 29 May 2026, 14:00 Brussels time.



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ONLINE WEBINAR

BlueActionBANOS: Open Calls for Community-Led Actions and Transition Agendas

Thursday, 5 February 2026 14:00 - 15:00 (CET)



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Link to register [here](#)

MISSION OCEAN & WATERS – OPEN OPPORTUNITIES

Taskforce meeting to support the design of the Mission Ocean & Waters Label 5 February (afternoon - time TBC)

- Open to key members of the ERRIN Blue Economy Working Group, relevant actors within their ecosystems
- Impact the future Mission Ocean and Waters (MOW) Label
- Contact: silvia.ghiretti@errin.eu and ana.tava@errin.eu

Official launch of the Coalition of Waterfront Regions, Cities and Islands (CO-WATERS) 4 March 2026 (9:30-12:30 CET) in Brussels

- Interactive session encouraging sharing of experiences and impact stories
- Promote coordinated approaches combining funding, instruments, stakeholders and local initiatives to accelerate engagement and ownership
- Register [here](#)



CO-WATERS Events | 4 March 2026

Together for change: A Coalition to empower communities for Mission Ocean and Waters

This event will bring together representatives from regions, cities, ports, and islands to celebrate the growing community supporting the Mission Ocean and Waters. The fully interactive session will invite participants to share their...



PROJECT SUPPORT



ERRIN'S PROJECT DEVELOPMENT TOOL

- A central hub for ERRIN members to explore, express interest and engage with a variety of funding opportunities
- ERRIN members who have expressed interest in the same calls can directly connect, initiate discussions and explore potential collaboration
- ERRIN Working Groups and Clusters will conduct follow-up activities through dedicated project development sessions where there is sufficient interest

Learn how to use the Project Development Tool [here](#).

Start expressing interest via the Project Development Tool [here](#)!



ERRIN IN PROJECTS

CULTURE & CREATIVITY CLUSTER

PROSPERO



PROSPERO



NEB Junction

LOW CARBON CLUSTER



Advancing national support
for climate neutral cities

CAPACITIES 2.0



NetZeroCities

STRATEGIC CLUSTER

**Transforming
Territories**

Innovation for place-based transformation

Innovation for place-based
transformation

ICT CLUSTER



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NATURAL RESOURCES AND ADAPTATION CLUSTER



MIP OCEAN



co-waters

CO-WATERS



BlueActionBanos



SOILL-Startup



Circular
Cities & Regions
Initiative

CCRI-CSO



AdaptationHubs



Pathways2Resilience



RESIST



SHAPING POLICY



BRINGING THE PLACE-BASED PERSPECTIVE TO R&I POLICY AND PROGRAMMES

- **Collective Voice:** Brings together a 120+ regional R&I ecosystems across Europe.
- **Bridge to Decision-Makers:** Builds strong relationships between regions, EU institutions, and partners.
- **Bottom-Up & Co-Created:** Policy input comes from members, ensuring regional perspectives shape EU R&I policy and programmes.



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Key takeaways from the ERRIN high-level event on connected regional innovation ecosystems



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ERRIN's 10 key messages towards the next Multiannual Financial Framework



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ERRIN Paper Series: 'Connected regional innovation ecosystems – key for Europe's competitiveness'



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ERRIN in conversation with Commissioner Zaharieva on 'strengthening regional R&I ecosystems'

TOWARDS THE NEXT FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME (FP10)

ERRIN FP10 PAPER SERIES

EU Missions

- Maintained support of the Missions, with improved governance and stronger political ownership
- Mission-specific recommendations

Widening

- Integration of widening measures across FP10

European Partnerships

- A more inclusive and transparent partnership framework

Connected regional innovation ecosystems

- Strengthened support to place-based R&I ecosystems
- Brings together ERRIN's main messages across the above areas





HOW TO ENGAGE

BENEFITS OF BEING A MEMBER

Network

Build a contact network in Brussels and across Europe, benefit from mutual support, collaborate with other member regions and stakeholders.



Stay informed

Join Working Group meetings on key R&I topics and opportunities from a regional perspective, receive updates tailored to your interests.



Influence policy

Provide input to Working Groups as they aim to foster opportunities for regional and ecosystem actors in European policy and programmes.



Develop projects

Find partners, build consortiums, access information about funding opportunities from ERRIN members and the Secretariat.





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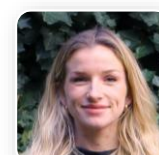
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