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Interreg is a general brand name to refer to
European Territorial Cooperation (ETC)

Interreg has become a key instrument of the European Union (EU) to support cooperation across borders through project funding. Its aim is to jointly tackle common challenges and find shared solutions —whether in the field of health, research and education, transport, sustainable energy etc.

Interreg is one of the two goals of the EU Cohesion Policy in the 2014-2020 period.



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Interreg is funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and has a budget of EUR 10.1 billion invested in the several cooperation programmes responsible for managing project funding. Interreg has three types of programmes:

Cross border (60)

Transnational (15)

Interregional (4)



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Interreg contributes around EUR 1 billion to EU external border cooperation programmes supported by the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA) and the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI).

2014-2020 is the fifth period of Interreg and therefore it is called Interreg V. In accordance with the new design of the EU Cohesion Policy and the targets set out in Europe 2020 Strategy, Interreg has been significantly reshaped to achieve greater impact and an even more effective use of the investments. Key elements of the reform are concentration, simplification and result orientation. Interreg V is based on 11 investment priorities



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IPA CBC

IPA stands for Pre-Accession Assistance and is an European Union financial instrument to support candidate countries in preparing for their accession to the EU.

In 2014-2020, IPA funds co-finance 12 territorial cooperation programmes between accession countries and EU Member States with a total EU allocation of EUR 11.7 billion. During this programming period, Interreg-IPA CBC is the common nomenclature for these programmes.

The IPA 2014-2020 (IPA II) legal framework and financial assistance are under the responsibility of European Commission –DG Neighborhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations, with the exception of cross-border cooperation between Member States and IPA countries.



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ENI CBC

Cross border cooperation (CBC) on the external borders of the European Union (EU) is a key priority of the European Neighbourhood Policy. The main objectives of this cross border cooperation are to support sustainable development along both sides of the EU's external borders, to help decrease differences in living standards across these borders and to address the challenges and opportunities.

The European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI) was created during the 2007-2013 period to develop and strengthen cross border cooperation. For 2014-2020, the Instrument renamed to European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) and reorganised based on the experience gained during the previous period (ENPI CBC 2007-2013). There are 16 ENI CBC programmes. <http://tesim-enicbc.eu>



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The Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) was created by 43 Euro-Mediterranean Heads of State and Government on 13 July 2008 at the Paris Summit for the Mediterranean. It was launched as a continuation of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership (Euro-Med), also known as the Barcelona Process, which was established in 1995.

The Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean was created by a decision of the UfM Heads of State and Government

The UfM constitutes a framework for political, economic and social relations between the European Union and the Southern and Eastern Mediterranean countries and is inspired by the goals set out in the Barcelona Declaration, namely working towards the creation of an area of peace, stability, security and shared economic prosperity, as well as full respect for democratic principles, human rights and fundamental freedoms and promotion of understanding between cultures and civilizations in the Euro-Mediterranean region. Priorities: Business Development - Transport & Urban Development Energy & Climate Action - Water & Environment - Higher Education & Research ,Social & Civil Affairs - <http://ufmsecretariat.org>





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