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Call for proposals

Do you have a project idea that might fit into the Interreg 2 Seas Programme?

Get ready for the 5th Call!

Don't wait any longer and start working on a concrete proposal. Have a look at the Programme Specific Objectives and get in touch with a territorial facilitator in your region. He or she will support you in carrying out your idea, finding the right partners across the 2 Seas area and provide you with the advice you need to develop a quality project proposal.

The current Interreg 2 Seas call calendar mentions deadlines for two Calls for proposals.

Call 5: the Concept Note step will be open from 1 August until 27 October 2017. Step 2 (Application Form) will be open from 2 February 2018 until 2 May 2018.

Call 4: from 2 May until 13 September 2017, applicants who have already submitted a Concept Note in March, have the chance to develop a final Application Form.

At the opening of a Call, all relevant documents can be downloaded from the 2 Seas website.

Please note that the UK governement has recently guaranteed EU structural and investment projects that are signed before the UK leaves the EU, even if they continue beyond EU departure. (You can also read this on the dedicated government website.)

Meet the project: SHINE

SHINE (Sustainable Houses in an Inclusive Neighbourhood) brings together 13 partner organisations from 4 member states. The project's overall objective is to reduce carbon emissions in residential dwellings. Because the impact of joint renovations is bigger by engaging a whole community, the project is bottom-up driven.

[More information on SHINE](#).

One of the districts that will benefit from community supported renovations is the Elisabeth district in Sint-Niklaas, Belgium. The involved partners have recently launched the campaign "De Warmste Wijk" (in English: "The Warmest District") in order to promote renovation measures that lower carbon emission.

[More information on de Warmste Wijk](#).

Applicant webinars

Do you need extra support in developing your project proposals? Maybe our applicant webinars could make the difference for you.

This series of short videos will offer you a good insight in the Programme's principles, rules and procedures.

The videos "Intervention logic" and "Work plan" are now online. Videos on financial management will soon follow.

[Click here to watch the video "Intervention logic"](#) // [Click here to watch the video "Work plan"](#).

Events & Training

In the upcoming weeks, Interreg 2 Seas will organise a series of events.

Contact your local facilitator to receive details on what's happening in your region.

New colleagues

Martijn Onderstal has joined the Territorial Facilitation Network. Martijn will focus on the Dutch provinces of North- and South-Holland.

The Joint Secretariat welcomes **Vincent Hagneré**. Vincent will start on 18 April as a Finance officer.

Special thanks to Wim Schreurs and Marjolijn Lindeman who both did an excellent job for the Interreg 2 Seas Programme. Good luck to them on their new adventures!

Beneficiary survey results

The beneficiary survey that was launched earlier this year, demonstrates a good level of satisfaction among the Interreg 2 Seas project partners and applicants.The survey collected answers by 92 respondents of which over 70% represent a partner involved in a 2 Seas project. Here are some of the key conclusions coming out of this exercise.

• 66% of the respondents believe the 2 Seas events are good of which 11% even think they're excellent.
• The majority (61%) thinks the 2 Seas News is good or even excellent.
• 75% responded good or excellent to the question on satisfaction on the website content.

Thank you to all respondents for the useful input!