

S3 Community of Practice (S3 CoP)

S3 CoP Working Group on Interregional Collaboration

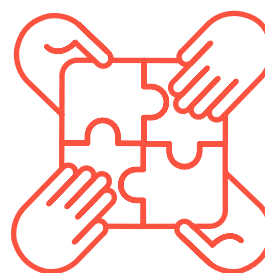
Overall objective

The main purpose of this Working Group is four-fold:

- to collect and document existing knowledge and good practices;
- to identify common needs, problems and challenges;
- to co-develop with the regions potential solutions (new approaches, policies, instruments, and coordination mechanisms);
- to support and monitor the deployment of solutions and adapt them to regional specificities.

Approach

The activities of the WG will follow a bottom-up, iterative and peer learning approach to facilitate exchanges of experience and knowledge among regional stakeholders. Special focus will be placed on the regional institutional context.



Main focus

The main **implementation challenges** selected for this WG are: 1) (lack of) capacity for **interregional cooperation** and 2) long-term financial planning and alignment of regional interests. The September meeting will focus on the first one (capacity), but it will also further define and detail the second one, which will be dealt with during the November meeting

This WG will operate in close relationship with “Thematic S3 Platforms and Partnerships”. The WG’s activities are based on the analysis of interregional partnerships, corresponding to different needs and challenges amongst them. This WG will function as a ‘test-bed’ for any region (or regional actor) looking to initiate or enhance interregional cooperation by exploring or co-developing new solutions or approaches to solve challenges faced by the regions.

Visit the [website](#) for more information.

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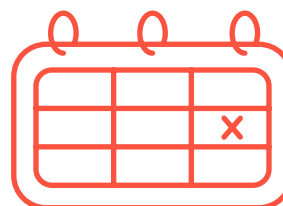
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Scheduled meetings:

Kick off **June 2023**

1st WG meeting **September 2023**

2nd WG meeting **November 2023**

2 WG meetings **in 2024**

2 WG meetings **in 2025**

Expected outputs:

Concept note, input notes, policy briefs, webinars, summary of the WG’s meetings.