





# Breaking Barriers: A Call for Coordination Among EU Funds for Greater Impacts

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*Member States and the Commission shall promote the coordination, complementarity and coherence between the Funds [...]*

*They shall optimise mechanisms for coordination between those responsible to avoid duplication during planning and implementation [...]*

Regulation (EU) 2021/1060, Article 5(3)

**Synergies** between European funds are **not used to their full potential**

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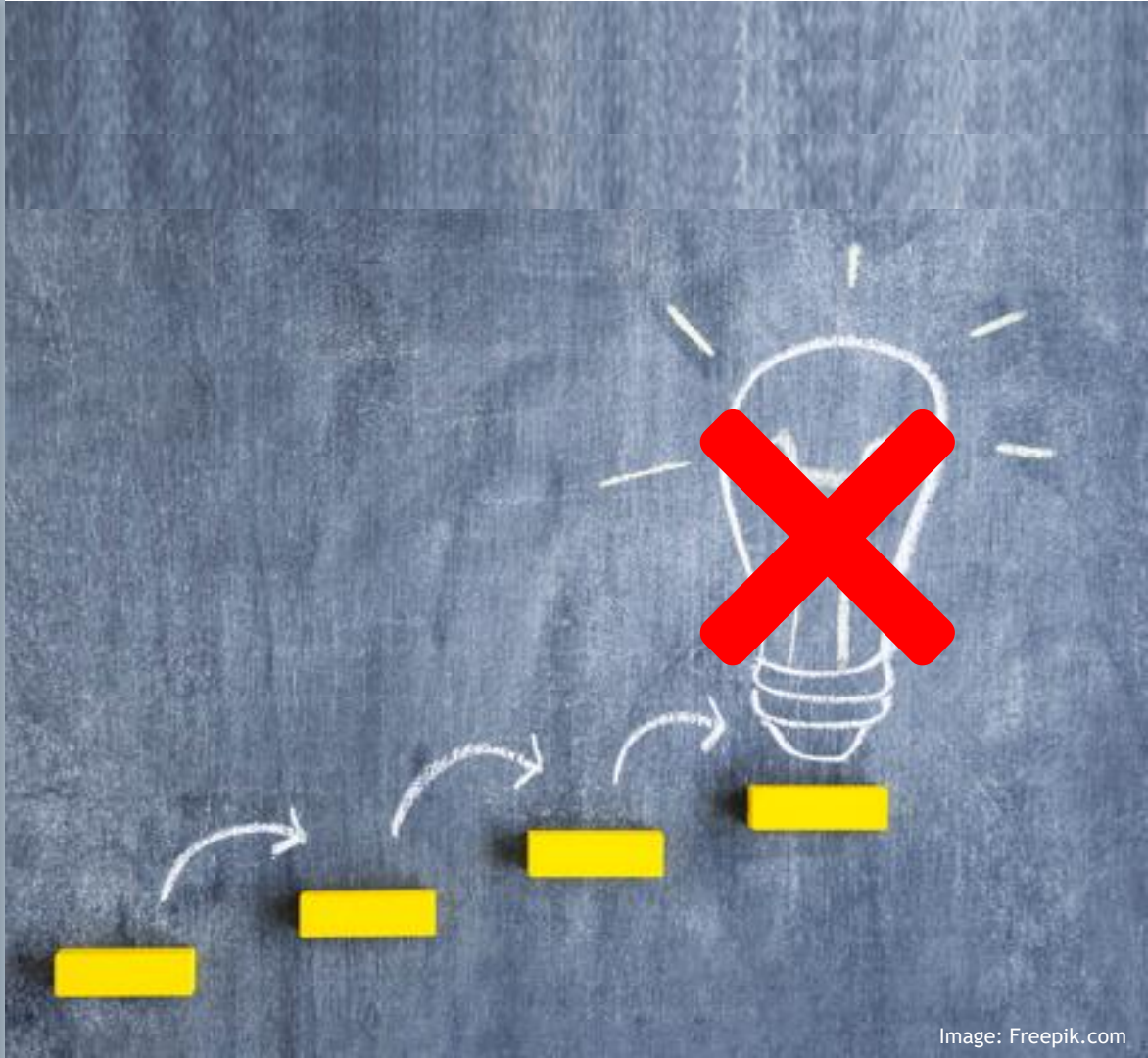
Challenge



Research results are  
**not taken up** on the ground and  
have only **limited impacts**

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Specific Problem



**Strengthen impacts** of EU

funded projects by helping  
stakeholders to **jointly exploit**  
**their results** through a  
**needs-driven approach**

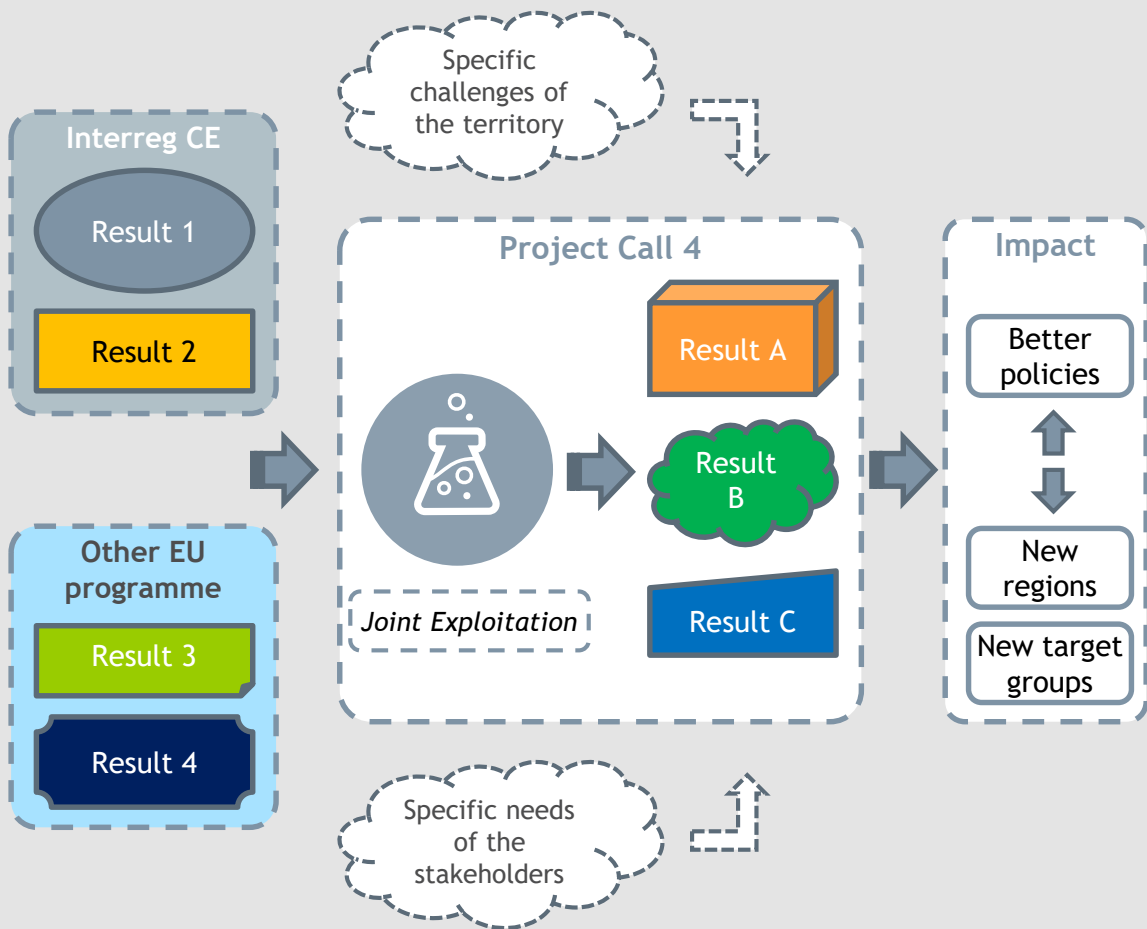
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Idea



A special call that encourages  
“capitalisation through  
coordination” for stronger  
impacts of existing results  
across funds

The Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE Experiment



*Overall:*

The call **delivered impacts**

at the territorial level

**by capitalising on  
existing knowledge**

of various EU funds

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Impact



**Impact Evaluation of the  
2014-2020  
Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE  
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**FINAL REPORT**

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*More in detail:*

Projects were successful in  
**breaking barriers** and  
enabled the **transfer and**  
**leveraging** of existing  
project results

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*And:*

The call is a “**successful implementation mechanism**” to support sustainability of existing results for **better impacts** at the territorial level

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Example:

**CERUSI** Taking-up results of  
 two Interreg CE projects  
 and one H2020 project

Impact

# Lab Caravan



# Rural Social INNOVATION Lab



Example:

**Dynaxibility4CE** Taking up  
results of **four Interreg CE  
projects** and **five H2020  
projects**

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Impact



The call became a European **good practice for coordination and synergy** and could be applied broadly

Vision

COMMISSION NOTICE  
Synergies between Horizon Europe and ERDF programmes  
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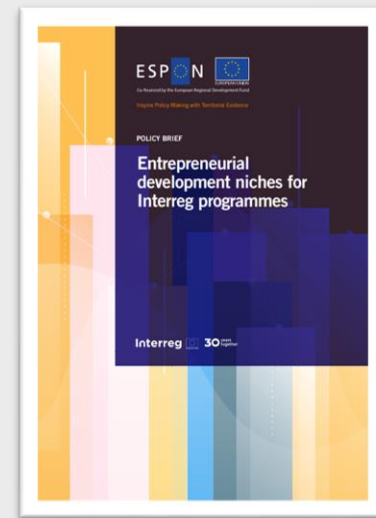
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Synergies Mapping Tool



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