

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS - KICK-OFF MEETING 9 APRIL 2025

Are the EURegionsWeek close to you sessions to be organised in English as well?

The organisation, including the choice of language, of the Close to you session is up to the event organiser. The report of the sessions has to be submitted in English.

Can a cluster of EU funded projects apply?

Yes, partners can apply together and need to choose a lead partner. Please consider the limitation on the number of partners that can participate in one partnership (max 5 for simple partnerships, between four and eight for regional partnerships).

Do the Close to You applications follow the same process as for the EURegionsWeek official programme?

Yes, the application process is the same with the only difference related to the timeline: the deadline for application is 11 July so that the non-accepted partners will have the opportunity to apply as a close-to-you event. Please check this page for further details.

Will the #EURegionsWeek be able to cover the travel and accommodation cost of regional authorities and speakers/moderators of the sessions in Brussels?

Travel and accommodation will be covered only for a limited number of speakers, there is no guarantee that speakers can get reimbursement. At this point, there is no full clarity about the available resources for this yet. You will get information later in the process if you are selected.

Will video testimonials be included this year too? If so how many per session are allowed and how long can they be?

Yes, video testimonials can be included. Partners can arrange a maximum of two two-minute video testimonials to balance out the speakers. Videos should present projects, good practices, sharing experiences and presenting key messages. Videos should be in English or another EU language with subtitles in EN. The organisers do not offer any support for the video production.

Will Regional partnerships take place at the Square as well? Or only at the European Committee of the Regions (CoR) and regional offices venues? Regional partnerships will take place either at CoR (pending availability) or at the regional partners' offices in Brussels.

How many exhibition stands will there be? How many have applied in the past?

There will be about 50 stands.

How many proposals are recommended to be' submitted for each organisation?

We encourage you to focus on the quality of your application. Please apply as lead partner in one application only. You can be part of another application as partner. You can also consider combining a long format with a stand or a short format, but it depends on you.

If there are similar themed applications, do you offer the option to merge applications/ collaborate on a session before making a final decision? Yes, the organisers will offer this possibility to some partners before the final communication of the selected partners.

Can one institution submit multiple applications with different partners?

We advise to prioritise quality over quantity to increase your chances of being selected. Applying for different formats will not raise your chances to be selected. We will aim to select one session per lead partner. Priority will be given to applications with at least two or more partners, to highlight your capacity to work in partnership.

Are there any fees (e.g. for having a stand)?

No, there are no fees related to participating to the #EURegionsWeek.

For the Tastings, it will be only on the 15, how many regions you will select and what will be supported?

There will be 5 tastings on 14 October and 5 on 15 October. We will provide the exposition stand, a fridge/storage, and cutlery/plates/glasses for participants. We will also cover travel and accommodation for 2 people per tasting stand.

Will the #EURegionsWeek provide interpreters in different languages? Especially in EURegionsTalks sessions?

The event's language is English. Interpretation will be provided only in a very limited number of cases, and not in short and participatory formats. For the other formats, please make sure you request interpretation in the application form.

Is it possible to re-submit a proposal that wasn't selected for the Brussels programme as part of #EURegionsWeek Close to you?

Yes, it will be possible. You will need to create a new application for the EURegionsWeek close to you programme.

On Tastings, will the costs of bringing the products be supported and the travel costs of the person that will be in the stand for the explanations.

We do not cover the costs of products; we will only cover travel and accommodation of 2 people per stand.

Will there be a tool to look for some partners across EU (as last year)?

Yes, you will find the partners search tool on the event website.