



Connecting regions across borders The role of EGTCs

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The different roles of EGTCs

- **What can an EGTC do under the EGTC-Regulation?**
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- **What can an EGTC do under the individual programmes?**

EGTC Regulation: Article 7(2) and (3)

- “facilitation and promotion of territorial cooperation” (2)
“may carry out specific actions of territorial cooperation”
 - with financial support from the Union or
 - without financial support from the Union (3) 1st sub §
- “Specifically, tasks may concern the
 - implementation of cooperation programmes
(EGTC signs grant letters as managing authority)
 - or parts thereof or of
 - operations supported by the Union through the ERDF, ESF and/or CF (3) 2nd sub §

Programme manager

Article 21 ETC

EGTC manages a programme or only a PART thereof

Article 10 ETC

As legal body EGTC manages an Integrated Territorial Investment [next slide]

Particular potential for triangles to implement a strategy under several bilateral CBC programmes

Article 10 ETC

EGTC as MA empowered to carry out FLC in whole programme area!

Integrated territorial investment

- **Article 36 CPR** (3 + 2 Funds!)
 - Urban development strategy or other territorial strategy (or ESF pact)
 - More than one "priority axes" of one or more OPs
 - "Intermediate body" to carry out management and implementation
 - legal body or an EGTC (2 countries)
 - EGTC GO (IT-SI) on health and river management

Provider of cross-border common services

Article 3 EGTC

Membership extended to "public undertakings" alongside public similar bodies, thus opening to energy, water and transport.

EP and CoR pushed to allow for undertakings managing Services of General Economic Interest (SGEI).

However, strictly private entities remain excluded (companies, individuals, etc.)

Article 2 CPR

Expenditure of EGTC always considered public expenditure

EGTC = beneficiary

Article 11(3) ETC

EGTC = sole beneficiary for ETC projects, where they fulfil the cooperation criteria

Article 8 ETC

EGTC = beneficiary of a ***Joint Action Plan***

EGTC may draw from different funds and programmes (e.g. to implement a cross-border employment basin, combining ETC and regional ESF programmes)

but: Not "provision of infrastructure"!

EUR 5 million or 5 %, except 1st JAP under ETC

Integrated territorial investment

- **Article 36 CPR** (3 + 2 Funds)
 - EGTC = intermediate body to manage
 - EGTC = also sole beneficiary?
 - YES, provided separation of functions
 - EGTC GO (IT-SI)
 - Procurement -> Article 39(4) Dir 2014/24/EU (choice)
Article 57(5) Dir 2014/25/EU (transport)
 - Expenditure of EGTC members (also implementing)
Article 12(4) Dir 2014/24/EU (horizontal)
Article 28(4) Dir 2014/25/EU (transport)

Reality check

- **Reference to EGTC in Partnership Agreements**
- **Reference to EGTC in INTERREG programmes**
(consultation, beneficiary, ITI, code of conduct)
- **Reference to EGTC in mainstream programmes**
- **Reference to EGTC in other EU actions**

Revised national rules 1 / 2

Deadline: 22 June 2014

- **HU Act LXXV. of 2014 (Enter into force: 20.12.2014) and Ministerial decree 2/2014. (of XII.30.)**
- **ES (Royal Decree 23/2015 of 23.1.2015) (via CoR)**
- **LU (5.3.2015): no change required (via CoR)**
- **DE only *Land* Baden-Württemberg (EiF: 26.3.2015)**
- **PT Decree-Law No 60/2015 of 22.4.2015**
- **RO Gov Ordinance (EiF: 29.6.2015)**
- **UK Statutory Instruments 2015 No. 1493 (EiF: 31.7.2015)**

Revised national rules 2/2

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- **SK Act No 213/2015 (published 9.9.2015), Act (EiF:1.11.2015)**
- **PL Act of 11.9.2015**
- **IT draft**
- **AT Burgenland, Carinthia, Salzburg, Tyrol?**
- **17 other Member States?**



For more information

InfoRegio:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/policy/cooperation/european-territorial/egtc/

Committee of the Regions:

<https://portal.cor.europa.eu/egtc/Pages/welcome.aspx>