



# EU Commission and DG REGIO updates

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# POLITICAL GUIDELINES FOR THE NEXT EUROPEAN COMMISSION

2024–2029



Europe's sustainable prosperity and competitiveness,  
A clean Industry Plan



Defence and Security,  
preparedness of the Union Strategy



Supporting the citizens,  
Supporting Young people of the European Union



A global Europe:  
Enlargement and relations to neighbourhood



# President Von der Leyen college proposal from September 2024



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Transition**



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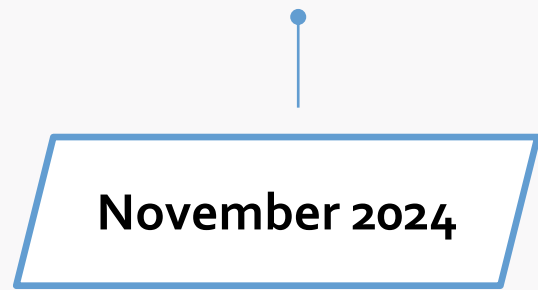
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**Intergenerational  
Fairness, Youth,  
Culture and  
Sport**



# WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



Commissioners' hearings at the European Parliament



The Multi Annual Financial Framework 2028-2034 is set



Final college of President Von der Leyen



Commission proposal for new Cohesion policy, new regulations are drafted (Interreg, CPR ect.)



# WHAT ABOUT THE FUTURE OF COHESION POLICY?

- ❖ Cohesion policy post 2027, not many news about it and not news on Interreg or cooperation yet.

- ❖ The context is imposing two financial constraints:

1st constraint: The EU budget is very unlikely to increase and the EU will have to reimburse the € 750 billion borrowed under NextGenerationEU.

2nd constraint: There are new and costly priorities which will require funding: defence, security, migration and enlargement






## THE FUTURE OF INTERREG

### Consultations on the future have started and are almost over – what does the Commission need to know?

What EU stakeholders think and want (we take care of that); What programmes think and want (Interact is consulting programmes); What stakeholders + citizens think and want (consultation by programmes).

#### Results so far:

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- a) dedicated financial envelope for Interreg (at EU level and programme area);
  - b) joint programming and implementation;
  - c) multi-level governance;
  - e) actions based on the specific needs of the territory; and
  - f) delivery by partnerships.

We need your views on this – do you agree? Are there points to be added here?