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I. INTRODUCTION

1. On 29 May 2018 the Commission adopted the proposal on specific provisions for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) supported by the European Regional Development Fund and external instruments¹.
2. The Interreg Regulation was presented to the Structural Measures Working Party (SMWP) in June 2018 during the Bulgarian Presidency.

¹ Doc. 9536/18 + ADD1.

3. Detailed examination of the Interreg Regulation by the SMWP started under the Austrian Presidency. Under its term, the General Affairs Council dedicated to Cohesion Policy on 30 November 2018 gave specific guidance on the architecture of the Interreg Regulation.
4. The Romanian Presidency pursued the work on the file with a detailed examination of the full Interreg Regulation and its Annex. On 29 May 2019 the Permanent Representatives Committee agreed on a partial mandate for negotiations on the Interreg Regulation (ST 10285/19).
5. The Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions have been consulted on the Interreg Regulation and have adopted their opinions on 19 September and 5 December 2018, respectively.
6. The European Parliament voted its first reading position on the Interreg Regulation on 26 March 2019.

II. STATE OF PLAY

7. Since the Interreg Regulation is a proposal linked to the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), all provisions with budgetary implications or of a horizontal nature have been set aside (in square brackets) for the time being - and thus excluded from the negotiations - pending further progress on the MFF. These provisions under the Interreg Regulation are: Article 9 (ERDF resources for Interreg), Article 13 (co-financing rates), paragraph 2 of Article 49 (pre-financing), all references to the PEACE PLUS programme and to contributions to the EU budget by external assigned revenue. Chapter VIII on the participation of third countries or partner countries or OCTs in Interreg programmes under shared management is also in square brackets given its sensitivity, and therefore dependent on the outcome of the horizontal negotiations on the MFF; however those amendments made to Chapter VIII by the SMWP during its work on the file have been already included in the text.

8. Inter-institutional negotiations on this file started under Finland's Presidency. 6 technical meetings (23 October; 5, 12, 19 and 26 November; and 3 December) and 2 trilogues (20 November and 10 December) with the REGI Committee took place, with the following Articles being examined:
- Articles 1-8 (rows 2-75): Subject matter and scope, definitions and components, geographical coverage;
 - Articles 10-12 (rows 93 - 123): Cross-fund provisions, list of programme resources, discontinuation;
 - Articles 14-15 (rows 126 - 159): Interreg-specific objectives, thematic concentration;
 - Articles 16-21 (rows 160 - 246): Preparation approval and amendment of programmes, territorial development;
 - Articles 22-26 (rows 247-321): Operations, small project funds, technical assistance;
 - Articles 36-43 (rows 412-518): Eligibility;
 - Articles 44-48 (rows 519-572): Programme authorities, management, control and audit.
9. Substantial progress has been made during the inter-institutional negotiations on the Interreg Regulation, with a provisional common understanding between the European Parliament and the Presidency being reached in most of the provisions being examined. Following the trilogues of 20 November and 10 December and the examination of the four-column table by the Structural Measures Working Party on 6 and 11 December, **the Presidency is of the view that, based on the principle that "nothing is agreed until everything is agreed", a balanced compromise text has emerged from the inter-institutional negotiations on a substantial part of the Regulation. The Presidency regards the package as the best possible compromise, taking into account the European Parliament's ambitions for these blocks.**

III. WAY FORWARD

10. The Permanent Representatives Committee is, therefore, invited to:

- take note of the progress made on the inter-institutional negotiations on the Interreg Regulation;
 - endorse the progress made on the negotiations with the European Parliament, as set out in the fourth column of the Annex to this note.
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INTERREG REGULATION

Commission proposal	European Parliament's First reading (26/3/19)	Council Position (COREPER partial mandate 29/5/19)	Compromise proposal, comments	Rows
		TABLE OF CONTENTS [... to be inserted]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> TABLE OF CONTENTS [... to be inserted]	1
CHAPTER I General provisions	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	2
Section I Subject matter, scope and Interreg components	<i>[no change]</i>	Section I Subject matter, scope and Interreg components strands	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> Section I Subject matter, scope and Interreg components strands	3
<i>Article 1</i> <i>Subject matter and scope²</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	4

² Recital 2 and 10, on which the EP adopted an am, are linked to this article.

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			<i>[No change]</i>	
<p>1. This Regulation lays down rules for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) with a view to fostering cooperation between Member States inside the Union and between Member States and adjacent third countries, partner countries, other territories or overseas countries and territories ('OCTs') respectively.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 35</u></p> <p>1. This Regulation lays down rules for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) with a view to fostering cooperation between Member States and their regions inside the Union and between Member States, their regions and adjacent third countries, partner countries, other territories or overseas countries and territories ('OCTs'), or regional integration and cooperation organisations, or group of third countries forming part of a regional organisation, respectively.</p>	<i>[no change]</i>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>1. This Regulation lays down rules for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) with a view to fostering cooperation between Member States and their regions inside the Union and between Member States, their regions and adjacent third countries, partner countries, other territories or overseas countries and territories ('OCTs'), or regional integration and cooperation organisations, respectively.</p>	5
<p>2. This Regulation also lays down the provisions necessary to ensure effective programming including on technical assistance, monitoring, evaluation, communication, eligibility, management and control, as well as financial management of programmes under the European territorial cooperation goal ('Interreg programmes') supported by the</p>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p><i>[No change]</i></p>	6

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European Regional Development Fund ('ERDF').				
3. With regard to support from the 'Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance' ('IPA III'), the 'Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument' ('NDICI') and the funding for all the OCTs for the period 2021 to 2027 established as a Programme by Council Decision (EU) XXX ('OCTP') to Interreg programmes (the three instruments together: 'the external financing instruments of the Union'), this Regulation defines additional specific objectives as well as the integration of those funds into Interreg programmes, the criteria for third countries, partner countries and OCTs and their regions to be eligible and certain specific implementation rules.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	7
4. With regard to support from the ERDF and the external financing instruments of the Union (jointly referred to as 'the Interreg funds') to Interreg programmes, this Regulation defines the Interreg-specific objectives as well as the organisation, the criteria for Member States, third countries, partner countries and OCTs and their regions	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	8

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to be eligible, the financial resources, and the criteria for their allocation.				
5. Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] shall apply to Interreg programmes, except where specifically provided for otherwise under those Regulations and this Regulation or where provisions of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] can only apply to the Investment for jobs and growth goal.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	9
<i>Article 2</i> <i>Definitions</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	10
1. For the purpose of this Regulation, the definitions in Article [2] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] shall apply. The following definitions shall also apply:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	11
(1) 'IPA beneficiary' means a country or territory listed in Annex I to Regulation (EU) [IPA III];	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	12
(2) 'third country' means a country which is not a Member State of the Union and does not receive support	<i>[no change]</i>	(2) ['third country' means a country which is not a Member State of the Union and does not	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	13

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from the Interreg funds;		receive support from the Interreg funds; or which contributes to the EU budget by external assigned revenue];	(2) ['third country' means a country which is not a Member State of the Union and does not receive support from the Interreg funds; or which contributes to the EU budget by external assigned revenue];	
(3) 'partner country' means an IPA beneficiary or a country or territory covered by the 'Neighbourhood geographic area' listed in Annex I to Regulation (EU) [NDICI] and the Russian Federation, and which receives support from the external financing instruments of the Union;	<i>[no change]</i>	(3) 'partner country' means an IPA beneficiary or a country or territory covered, for strands A and B , by the 'Neighbourhood geographic area' listed in Annex I to Regulation (EU) [NDICI] and the Russian Federation, or for strands C and D, a country or territory covered by any geographic area under NDICI , and which receives support from the external financing instruments of the Union;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (3) 'partner country' means an IPA beneficiary or a country or territory covered, for Interreg A and B programmes , by the 'Neighbourhood geographic area' listed in Annex I to Regulation (EU) [NDICI] and the Russian Federation, or for Interreg C and D programmes, a country or territory covered by any geographic area under NDICI , and which receives support from the external financing instruments of the Union;	14
(4) 'cross-border legal body' means a legal body established under the laws of one of the participating countries in an Interreg programme provided that it is set up by territorial authorities or other bodies from at least two participating countries.	<u>Amendment 36</u> (4) 'cross-border legal body' means a legal body including a euroregion , established under the laws of one of the participating countries in an Interreg programme provided that it is set up by	(4) 'cross-border legal body' means a legal body established under the laws of one of the participating countries in an Interreg programme provided that it is set up by territorial authorities or other bodies from at least two participating countries-;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	15

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	territorial authorities or other bodies from at least two participating countries.			
	<u>Amendment 37</u> (4 a) 'regional integration and cooperation organisation' means a group of Member States or regions in the same geographical area that aim to cooperate closely on issues of common interest.		<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (4 a) 'regional integration and cooperation organisation' means a group of Member States third countries or regions in the same geographical area that aim to cooperate closely on issues of common interest, of which Member States may also be part.	16
<p>2. For the purpose of this Regulation, where provisions of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] refer to a 'Member State', this shall be construed as meaning 'the Member State hosting the managing authority' and where provisions refer to 'Each Member State' or 'Member States', this shall be construed as meaning 'the Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in a given Interreg programme'.</p>	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> [No change]	17
<p>For the purpose of this Regulation, where provisions of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] refer to 'the Funds' as</p>	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	18

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listed in [point (a) of Article 1(1)] of that Regulation or to the 'ERDF', this shall be construed as also covering the respective external financing instrument of the Union.			[No change]	
<i>Article 3 Components of the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg)³</i>	[no change]	<i>Article 3 ComponentsStrands of the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg)</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding Article 3 ComponentsStrands of the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg)</i>	19
Under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg), the ERDF and, where applicable, external financing instruments of the Union shall support the following components:	[no change]	Under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg), the ERDF and, where applicable, external financing instruments of the Union shall support the following components strands :	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> Under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg), the ERDF and, where applicable, external financing instruments of the Union shall support the following components strands :	20
(1) cross-border cooperation between adjacent regions to promote integrated regional development (component 1):	<u>Amendment 38</u> (1) cross-border cooperation between adjacent regions to promote integrated <i>and harmonious</i> regional development	(1) cross-border cooperation between adjacent regions to promote integrated regional development (component 1) between neighbouring land and maritime border regions	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (1) cross-border cooperation between adjacent regions to promote integrated and harmonious regional development	21

³ Recitals 3 to 8, on which the EP adopted amendments, are linked to this article, Council also amended recitals 3 and 4 (those two recitals are included at the end of the table).

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	(component 1):	(Interreg strand A):	between neighbouring land and maritime border regions (Interreg A):	
(a) internal cross-border cooperation between adjacent land border regions of two or more Member States or between adjacent land border regions of at least one Member State and one or more third countries listed in Article 4(3); or	<u>Amendment 39</u> (a) internal cross-border cooperation between adjacent land or maritime border regions of two or more Member States or between adjacent land or maritime border regions of at least one Member State and one or more third countries listed in Article 4(3); or	(a) internal cross-border cooperation between adjacent land border regions of two or more Member States or between adjacent land border regions of at least one Member State and one or more third countries listed in Article 4(3); or	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (a) internal cross-border cooperation between adjacent land border regions of two or more Member States or between adjacent land border regions of at least one Member State and one or more third countries listed in Article 4(3); or	22
(b) external cross-border cooperation, between adjacent land border regions of at least one Member State and of one or more of the following:	<u>Amendment 40</u> (b) external cross-border cooperation, between adjacent land or maritime border regions of at least one Member State and of one or more of the following:	(b) external cross-border cooperation, between adjacent land border regions of at least one Member State and of one or more of the following:	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (b) external cross-border cooperation, between adjacent land border regions of at least one Member State and of one or more of the following:	23
(i) IPA beneficiaries; or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	24
(ii) partner countries supported by	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	25

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NDICI; or			[No change]	
(iii) the Russian Federation, for the purpose of enabling its participation in cross-border cooperation also supported by NDICI;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	26
(2) transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation over larger transnational territories or around sea-basins, involving national, regional and local programme partners in Member States, third countries and partner countries and in Greenland, with a view to achieving a higher degree of territorial integration ('component 2'; where referring only to transnational cooperation: 'component 2A'; where referring only to maritime cooperation: 'component 2B');	<u>Amendment 41</u> (2) transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation over larger transnational territories or around sea-basins, involving national, regional and local programme partners in Member States, third countries and partner countries and in Greenland OCTs , with a view to achieving a higher degree of territorial integration ('component 2'); where referring only to transnational cooperation: 'component 2A'; where referring only to maritime cooperation: 'component 2B');	(2) transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation over larger transnational territories or around sea-basins, involving national, regional and local programme partners in Member States, third countries and, partner countries and in Greenland , with a view to achieving a higher degree of territorial integration (' component 2 '; where referring only to transnational cooperation: 'component 2A'; where referring only to maritime cooperation: 'component 2B' Interreg strand B) ⁴ .	Provisional common understanding 2) transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation over larger transnational territories or around sea-basins, involving national, regional and local programme partners in Member States, third countries and partner countries and in Greenland OCTs , with a view to achieving a higher degree of territorial integration (' component 2 '; where referring only to transnational cooperation: 'component 2A'; where referring only to maritime cooperation: component 2B' Interreg B);	27
(3) outermost regions' cooperation among themselves and with their neighbouring third or partner	<u>Amendment 42</u>	(3) — outermost regions' cooperation among themselves and	Provisional common understanding (3) — outermost regions' cooperation	28

⁴ **Council position:** Recital 6 is linked to this art (Included at the end of the table).

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countries or OCTs, or several thereof, to facilitate their regional integration in their neighbourhood ('component 3');	(3) outermost regions' cooperation among themselves and with their neighbouring third or partner countries or OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations , or several thereof, to facilitate their regional integration and harmonious development in their neighbourhood ('component 3');	with their neighbouring third or partner countries or OCTs, or several thereof, to facilitate their regional integration in their neighbourhood ('component 3');	among themselves and with their neighbouring third or partner countries or OCTs, or several thereof, to facilitate their regional integration in their neighbourhood ('component 3'); [moved to row 45]	
(4) interregional cooperation to reinforce the effectiveness of cohesion policy ('component 4') by promoting:	[no change]	(4) interregional cooperation to reinforce the effectiveness of cohesion policy ('component 4') (Interreg strand C) by promoting:	Provisional common understanding (4) interregional cooperation to reinforce the effectiveness of cohesion policy (Interreg C) by promoting	29
(a) exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building in relation to:	[no change]	(a) exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building focusing on policy objectives , in relation to the identification, dissemination and transfer of good practices into regional development policies including Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes ('the Interreg Europe programme');	Provisional common understanding (a) exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building focusing on policy objectives set out in the first sub-paragraph of Article 4 of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and the Interreg specific objective "a better cooperation governance" , in relation to the identification, dissemination and transfer of good practices into regional	30

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			development policies including Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes ('the Interreg Europe programme');	
(i) the implementation of Interreg programmes;	<i>[no change]</i>	(i) the implementation of Interreg programmes;	Provisional common understanding (i) the implementation of Interreg programmes;	31
	<u>Amendment 43</u> <i>(i a) the implementation of common interregional development projects;</i>		Provisional common understanding <i>[EP amendment 43 withdrawn]</i>	32
	<u>Amendment 44</u> <i>(i b) the development of capacities between partners throughout the Union in connection with:</i>		Provisional common understanding <i>[EP amendment 44 withdrawn]</i>	33
(ii) the implementation of Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes, in particular with regard to interregional and transnational actions with beneficiaries located in at least one	<i>[no change]</i>	(ii) the implementation of investment for jobs and growth goal programmes, in particular with regard to interregional and transnational actions with beneficiaries located in at least one	Provisional common understanding (ii) the implementation of Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes, in particular with regard to interregional and transnational actions with beneficiaries	34

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other Member State;		other Member State;	located in at least one other Member State;	
	<u>Amendment 45</u> <i>(ii a) the identification and dissemination of good practices with a view to their transfer principally to operational programmes under the Investment for growth and jobs goal;</i>		<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[EP amendment 45 withdrawn]</i>	35
	<u>Amendment 46</u> <i>(ii b) the exchange of experiences concerning the identification, transfer and dissemination of best practice on sustainable urban development, including linkages between urban and rural areas;</i>		<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[EP amendment 46 withdrawn]</i>	36
		(b) exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building in relation to the identification, transfer and capitalisation of urban good practices on integrated and sustainable urban development, taking into account the linkages between urban and rural areas,	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (b) exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building in relation to the identification, transfer and capitalisation of urban good practices on integrated and sustainable urban development, taking into account the linkages between urban and rural	37

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		supporting actions developed in the framework of Article 9 [of Regulation (new ERDF)] and while also complementing in a coordinated way with the initiative outlined in Article 10 of Regulation (EU) [ERDF/CF Regulation] (' <i>the URBACT programme</i> ');	areas, supporting actions developed in the framework of Article 9 [of Regulation (new ERDF/CF)] and while also complementing in a coordinated way with the initiative outlined in Article 10 of Regulation (EU) [ERDF/CF Regulation] (' <i>the URBACT programme</i> ');	
		(c) exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building with a view to (' <i>the INTERACT programme</i>):	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (c) exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building with a view to (' <i>the INTERACT programme</i>):	38
		(i) harmonising and simplifying the implementation of Interreg programmes as well as contributing to the capitalisation of their results;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (i) harmonising and simplifying the implementation of Interreg programmes as well as contributing to the capitalisation of their results;	39
		(i bis) harmonising and simplifying possible cooperation actions referred in point [d (v)] of paragraph 3 of Article 17 of (new	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (i bis) harmonising and simplifying	40

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		CPR)];	possible cooperation actions referred in point [d (v) of paragraph 3 of Article 17 of (new CPR)];	
(iii) the setting-up, functioning and use of European groupings of territorial cooperation (EGTCs);	<i>[no change]</i>	(ii) supporting the setting-up, functioning and use of European groupings of territorial cooperation (EGTCs);	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (ii) supporting the setting-up, functioning and use of European groupings of territorial cooperation (EGTCs);	41
	Amendment 47 <i>(iii a) the setting-up, functioning and use of the European Cross-Border Mechanism as referred to in Regulation (EU) .../... [new European Cross-Border Mechanism];</i>			42
(b) analysis of development trends in relation to the aims of territorial cohesion;	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) (d) analysis of development trends in relation to the aims of territorial cohesion (<i>'the ESPON programme'</i>); ⁵	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (b) (d) analysis of development trends in relation to the aims of territorial cohesion (<i>'the ESPON programme'</i>); ⁴	43

⁵ **Council position:** Recital 8 is linked to this art (Included at the end of the table).

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(5) interregional innovation investments through the commercialisation and scaling up of interregional innovation projects having the potential to encourage the development of European value chains ('component 5').	<u>Amendment 48</u> (5) interregional innovation investments through the commercialisation and scaling up of interregional innovation projects having the potential to encourage the development of European value chains ('component 5').	(5) interregional innovation investments through the commercialisation and scaling up of interregional innovation projects having the potential to encourage the development of European value chains ('component 5').		44
		(5) outermost regions' cooperation among themselves and with their neighbouring third or partner countries or OCTs, or several thereof, to facilitate their regional integration in their neighbourhood (Interreg strand D);	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>Moved from row 28</i> (35) outermost regions' cooperation among themselves and with their neighbouring third or partner countries or OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations, or several thereof, to facilitate their regional integration and harmonious development in their neighbourhood (Interreg D);	45
Section II Geographical coverage	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	46

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<i>Article 4 Geographical coverage for cross-border cooperation⁶</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	47
1. For cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 3 regions of the Union along all internal and external land borders with third countries or partner countries.	<u>Amendment 49</u> 1. For cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 3 regions of the Union along all internal and external land <i>or maritime</i> borders with third countries or partner countries, <i>without prejudice to potential adjustments to ensure the coherence and continuity of cooperation programme areas established for the 2014-2020 programming planning period.</i>	1. For cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 3 regions of the Union along all internal and external land borders with third countries or partner countries and all NUTS level 3 regions of the Union along maritime borders separated by a maximum of 150 km without prejudice to potential adjustments needed to ensure the coherence and continuity of cooperation programme areas.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. For cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 3 regions of the Union along all internal and external land borders with third countries or partner countries and all NUTS level 3 regions of the Union along maritime borders separated by a maximum of 150 km without prejudice to potential adjustments needed to ensure the coherence and continuity of cooperation programme areas and where cross-border interaction may effectively take place.	48
2. Regions on maritime borders which are connected over the sea by a fixed link shall also be supported under cross-border cooperation.	<u>Amendment 50</u> 2. Regions on maritime borders which are connected over the sea by a fixed link shall also be	2. Regions on maritime borders which are connected over the sea by a fixed link shall also be supported under cross-border cooperation.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. Regions on maritime borders which are connected over the sea by a fixed link shall also be supported under cross-border	49

⁶ Recital 9, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 4-8.

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	supported under cross-border cooperation. deleted		cooperation.	
3. Internal cross-border cooperation Interreg programmes may cover regions in Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom which are equivalent to NUTS level 3 regions as well as Liechtenstein, Andorra and Monaco.	<u>Amendment 51</u> 3. Internal cross-border cooperation Interreg programmes may cover regions in Norway, Switzerland and the United Kingdom which are equivalent to NUTS level 3 regions as well as Liechtenstein, Andorra and , Monaco and San Marino .	3. Internal cross-border cooperation Interreg programmes may cover regions in Norway, Switzerland and [the United Kingdom] which are equivalent to NUTS level 3 regions as well as Liechtenstein, Andorra and , Monaco and San Marino .	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 3. Internal cross-border cooperation Interreg programmes may cover regions in Norway, Switzerland and [the United Kingdom] which are equivalent to NUTS level 3 regions as well as Liechtenstein, Andorra and , Monaco and San Marino . <i>Brackets to references to the United Kingdom and third countries will be removed in due time.</i>	50
4. For external cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by IPA III or NDICI shall be NUTS level 3 regions of the respective partner country or, in the absence of NUTS classification, equivalent areas along all land borders between Member States and partner countries eligible under IPA III or NDICI.	<u>Amendment 52</u> 4. For external cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by IPA III or NDICI shall be NUTS level 3 regions of the respective partner country or, in the absence of NUTS classification, equivalent areas along all land or maritime borders between Member States and partner countries eligible under IPA III or NDICI.	4. For external cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by IPA III or NDICI shall be NUTS level 3 regions of the respective partner country or, in the absence of NUTS classification, equivalent areas along all land and maritime borders between Member States and partner countries eligible under IPA III or NDICI, without prejudice to potential adjustments needed to ensure the coherence and continuity of cooperation programme areas.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 4. For external cross-border cooperation, the regions to be supported by IPA III or NDICI shall be NUTS level 3 regions of the respective partner country or, in the absence of NUTS classification, equivalent areas along all land and maritime borders between Member States and partner countries eligible under IPA III or NDICI, without prejudice to potential adjustments needed to ensure the coherence and continuity of cooperation programme areas.	51

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<p><i>Article 5</i> <i>Geographical coverage for transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation⁷</i></p>	<p><u>Amendment 53</u> Geographical coverage for transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation</p>	<p>Article 5 <i>Geographical coverage for transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation</i></p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i> Article 5 <i>Geographical coverage for transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation</i></p>	52
<p>1. For transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 2 regions of the Union covering contiguous functional areas, taking into account, where applicable, macro-regional strategies or sea basin strategies.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 54</u> 1. For transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 2 regions of the Union covering contiguous functional areas, <i>without prejudice to potential coherence and continuity of such cooperation in larger coherent areas based on the 2014-2020 programming planning period and</i> taking into account, where applicable, macro-regional</p>	<p>1. For transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 2 regions of the Union <i>including outermost regions⁸</i> covering contiguous functional areas, <i>larger transnational territories</i> taking into account, where applicable, macro-regional strategies or sea basin strategies.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. For transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation, the regions to be supported by the ERDF shall be the NUTS level 2 regions of the Union, <i>including outermost regions⁹</i>, covering contiguous functional areas, <i>larger transnational territories</i> taking into account, where applicable, macro-regional strategies or sea basin strategies.</p>	53

⁷ Recital 12 is linked to article 5(1) and 17(4).

⁸ **Council position:** To be taken into account when finalising Article 9(4), currently under square brackets.

⁹ **Council position:** To be taken into account when finalising Article 9(4), currently under square brackets.

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	strategies or sea basin strategies.			
		1a. At the request of the Member State or Member States concerned when submitting a transnational cooperation programme, that programme may also include one or more outermost regions from the Member State or Member States concerned¹⁰.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1a. At the request of the Member State or Member States concerned when submitting a transnational cooperation programme, that programme may also include one or more outermost regions from the Member State or Member States concerned¹¹.	54
2. Transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation Interreg programmes may cover:	<u>Amendment 55</u> Transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation Interreg programmes may cover:	2. Transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation Interreg programmes may cover:	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. Transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation Interreg programmes may cover:	55
(a) regions in Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, the United Kingdom as well as Liechtenstein, Andorra, Monaco and San Marino;	[no change]	(a) regions in Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, [the United Kingdom] as well as Liechtenstein, Andorra, Monaco and San Marino;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (a) regions in Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, [the United Kingdom] as well as Liechtenstein, Andorra, Monaco and San Marino;	56
(b) Greenland;	<u>Amendment 56</u>	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	57

¹⁰ **Council position:** To be taken into account when finalising Article 9(4), currently under square brackets.

¹¹ **Council position:** To be taken into account when finalising Article 9(4), currently under square brackets.

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	(b) Greenland ; <i>OCTs benefit from the support provided by the OCT programme;</i>		(b) Greenland ; <i>OCTs;</i>	
(c) the Faroe Islands;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	58
(d) regions of partner countries under IPA III or NDICI;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	59
whether or not they are supported from the EU budget.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	60
3. The regions, third countries or partner countries listed in paragraph 2 shall be NUTS level 2 regions or, in the absence of NUTS classification, equivalent areas.	<u>Amendment 57</u> The regions, third countries, or partner countries, <i>or OCTs</i> listed in paragraph 2 shall be NUTS level 2 regions or, in the absence of NUTS classification, equivalent areas.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> The regions, third countries, or partner countries, <i>or OCTs</i> listed in paragraph 2 shall be NUTS level 2 regions or, in the absence of NUTS classification, equivalent areas.	61

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<i>Article 6 Geographical coverage for outermost regions' cooperation¹²</i>	[no change]	<i>Article 6 Geographical coverage for outermost regions' cooperation</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding Article 6 Geographical coverage for outermost regions' cooperation</i>	62
1. For the outermost regions' cooperation, all regions listed in the first paragraph of Article 349 of the TFEU shall be supported by the ERDF.	[no change]	1. — For the outermost regions' cooperation, all regions listed in the first paragraph of Article 349 of the TFEU shall be supported by the ERDF.	<i>Provisional common understanding 1. — For the outermost regions' cooperation, all regions listed in the first paragraph of Article 349 of the TFEU shall be supported by the ERDF.</i>	63
2. The outermost regions' Interreg programmes may cover neighbouring partner countries supported by the NDICI or OCTs supported by the OCTP, or both.	<u>Amendment 58</u> 2. The outermost regions' Interreg programmes may cover neighbouring partner countries supported by the NDICI, or OCTs supported by the OCTP, regional cooperation organisations , or both a combination of two or all three of these .	2. — The outermost regions' Interreg programmes may cover neighbouring partner countries supported by the NDICI or OCTs supported by the OCTP, or both.	<i>Provisional common understanding 2. — The outermost regions' Interreg programmes may cover neighbouring partner countries supported by the NDICI or OCTs supported by the OCTP, or both.</i>	64
<i>Article 7 Geographical coverage for</i>	<u>Amendment 59</u>	Article 7 Geographical coverage for	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	65

¹² Recital 14, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to art. 6, 10(5), 16(5), 23 (4), 60.

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<i>interregional cooperation and interregional innovation investments</i>	Geographical coverage for interregional cooperation and interregional innovation investments	interregional cooperation and interregional innovation investments	Article 7 Geographical coverage for interregional cooperation and interregional innovation investments	
1. For any component 4 Interreg programme or for interregional innovation investments under component 5, the entire territory of the Union shall be supported by the ERDF.	<u>Amendment 60</u> 1. For any component 4 Interreg programme or for interregional innovation investments under component 5 , the entire territory of the Union shall be supported by the ERDF including the outermost regions.	1. For interregional cooperation any component 4 Interreg programme or for interregional innovation investments under component 5 , the entire territory of the Union shall be supported by the ERDF.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. For interregional cooperation any component 4 Interreg programme or for interregional innovation investments under component 5 , the entire territory of the Union shall be supported by the ERDF including the outermost regions.	66
2. Component 4 Interreg programmes may cover the whole or part of the third countries, partner countries, other territories or OCTs referred to in Articles 4, 5 and 6, whether or not they are supported by the external financing instruments of the Union.	<u>Amendment 61</u> 2. Component 4 Interreg programmes may cover the whole or part of the third countries, partner countries, other territories or OCTs referred to in Articles 4, 5 and 6, whether or not they are supported by the external financing instruments of the Union. Third countries may participate in those programmes, provided that they make a funding contribution in the form of externally allocated	2. Component 4 Interreg Interregional cooperation programmes may cover the whole or part of the third countries, partner countries, other territories or OCTs referred to in Articles 4, 5 and 6 7bis , whether or not they are supported by the external financing instruments of the Union.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. Component 4 Interreg Interregional cooperation programmes may cover the whole or part of the third countries, partner countries, other territories or OCTs referred to in Articles 4, 5 and 6 7bis , whether or not they are supported by the external financing instruments of the Union.	67

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	<i>revenue.</i>			
		Article 7bis¹³ Geographical coverage for outermost regions' cooperation	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> Article 7bis¹⁴ Geographical coverage for outermost regions' cooperation	68
		1. For the outermost regions' cooperation, all regions listed in the first paragraph of Article 349 of the TFEU shall be supported by the ERDF.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. For the outermost regions' cooperation, all regions listed in the first paragraph of Article 349 of the TFEU shall be supported by the ERDF.	69
		2. The outermost regions' Interreg programmes may cover neighbouring partner countries or parts thereof supported by the NDICI or OCTs supported by the OCTP, or both.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. The outermost regions' Interreg programmes may cover neighbouring partner countries or parts thereof supported by the NDICI or OCTs supported by the OCTP, or both.	70
<i>Article 8 List of Interreg programme areas to</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	71

¹³ **Council position:** Recital 14 is linked to this art (included at the end of the table).

The order of recitals (7) and (8) should be switched.

¹⁴ **Council position:** Recital 14 is linked to this art (included at the end of the table).

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<i>receive support</i> ¹⁵			[No change]	
1. For the purposes of Articles 4, 5 and 6, the Commission shall adopt an implementing act setting out the list of Interreg programme areas to receive support, broken down for each component and each Interreg programme. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the advisory procedure referred to in Article 63(2).	[no change]	1. For the purposes of Articles 4, 5, 7 and 67bis , the Commission shall adopt an implementing act setting out the list of Interreg programme areas to receive support, broken down for each component strand and each Interreg programme. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the advisory procedure referred to in Article 63(2).	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. For the purposes of Articles 4, 5, 7 and 67bis , the Commission shall adopt an implementing act setting out the list of Interreg programme areas to receive support, broken down for each component strand and each Interreg programme. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the advisory procedure referred to in Article 63(2).	72
External cross-border Interreg programmes shall be listed as 'Interreg IPA III CBC programmes' or 'Interreg Neighbourhood CBC programmes' respectively.	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> [No change]	73
2. The implementing act referred to in paragraph 1 shall also contain a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions of the Union taken into account for the ERDF allocation for cross-border cooperation at all internal borders and those external borders covered by the external	<u>Amendment 62</u> 2. The implementing act referred to in paragraph 1 shall also contain a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions of the Union	2. The implementing act referred to in paragraph 1 shall also contain a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions of the Union taken into account for the ERDF allocation for cross-border cooperation at all internal borders and those external borders covered	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. The implementing act referred to in paragraph 1 shall also contain a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions of the Union taken into account for the ERDF allocation for cross-border cooperation at all internal borders and those external	74

¹⁵ Recital 34 is linked to article 8(1)-(2), 10(1), 11, 18(4), and 19(4).

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financing instruments of the Union as well as a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions taken into account for allocation purposes under component 2B referred to in point (a) of Article 9(3).	taken into account for the ERDF allocation for cross-border cooperation at all internal borders and those external borders covered by the external financing instruments of the Union as well as a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions taken into account for allocation purposes under component 2B referred to in point (a) of Article 9(3).	by the external financing instruments of the Union as well as a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions taken into account for allocation purposes under component 2B referred to in point (a) of Article 9(3).	borders covered by the external financing instruments of the Union as well as a list specifying those NUTS level 3 regions taken into account for allocation purposes under component 2B referred to in point (a) of Article 9(3).	
3. Regions of third or partner countries or territories outside the Union which do not receive supported from the ERDF or an external financing instrument of the Union shall also be mentioned in the list referred to in paragraph 1.	<u>Amendment 63</u> 3. Regions of third or partner countries or territories outside the Union which do not receive supported support from the ERDF or an external financing instrument of the Union shall also be mentioned in the list referred to in paragraph 1.	3. Regions of third or partner countries or territories outside the Union which do not receive supported support from the ERDF or from an external financing instrument of the Union, [or which contributes to the EU budget by external assigned revenue] , shall also be mentioned in the list referred to in paragraph 1.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 3. Regions of third or partner countries or territories outside the Union which do not receive supported support from the ERDF or from an external financing instrument of the Union, [or which contributes to the EU budget by external assigned revenue] , shall also be mentioned in the list referred to in paragraph 1.	75
Section III Resources and co-financing rates	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		76
<i>Article 9 ERDF resources for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg)¹⁶</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i> 17		77

¹⁶ Recital 15, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to this art.

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<p>1. The ERDF resources for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) shall amount to EUR 8 430 000 000 of the global resources available for budgetary commitment from the ERDF, ESF+ and the Cohesion Fund for the 2021-2027 programming period and set out in Article [102(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].</p>	<p><u>Amendment 64</u></p> <p>1. The ERDF Resources for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) shall amount to EUR 8 430 000 000 of 11 165 910 000 (2018 prices) of out the global resources available for budgetary commitment from the ERDF, ESF+ and the Cohesion Fund for the 2021 the 2021-2027 programming period and set out in Article [102(1)] [103(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].</p>	<p>[1. The ERDF resources for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) shall amount to [EUR 8 430 000 000] of the global resources available for budgetary commitment from the ERDF, ESF+ and the Cohesion Fund for the 2021-2027 programming period and set out in Article [102103(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].</p>		78
<p>2. The resources referred to in paragraph 1 shall be allocated as follows:</p>	<p><u>Amendment 65</u></p> <p>2. EUR 10 195 910 000 (91,31 %) of the resources referred to in paragraph 1 shall be allocated as follows:</p>	<p>[no change]</p>		79
<p>(a) 52.7 % (i.e., a total of EUR 4 440 000 000) for cross-border cooperation (component 1);</p>	<p><u>Amendment 66</u></p> <p>(a) 52.7 % (i.e., a total of</p>	<p>(a) 52.7 % (i.e., a total of EUR [4 440 000 000]) for cross-border cooperation (component 1);</p>		80

¹⁷ **Council position:** This Article is bracketed pending discussion on the financial allocation.

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	EUR 4 440 000 000 EUR 7 500 000 000 (67,16 %) for cross-border cooperation (component 1);			
(b) 31.4 % (i.e., a total of EUR 2 649 900 000) for transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation (component 2);	<u>Amendment 67</u> (b) 31.4 % (i.e., a total of EUR 2 649 900 000) EUR 1 973 600 880 (17,68 %) for transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation (component 2);	(b) 31.4 % (i.e., a total of EUR [2 649 900 000]) for transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation (component 2);		81
(c) 3.2 % (i.e., a total of EUR 270 100 000) for outermost regions' cooperation (component 3);	<u>Amendment 68</u> (c) 3.2 % (i.e., a total of EUR 270 100 000) EUR 357 309 120 (3,2 %) for outermost regions' cooperation (component 3);	<i>[no change]</i>		82
(d) 1.2 % (i.e., a total of EUR 100 000 000) for interregional cooperation (component 4);	<u>Amendment 69</u> (d) 1.2 % (i.e., a total of EUR 100 000 000) EUR 365 000 000 (3,27%) for interregional cooperation (component 4);	(d) 1.2 % (i.e., a total of EUR [100 000 000]) for interregional cooperation (component 4);		83

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(e) 11.5 % (i.e., a total of EUR 970 000 000) for interregional innovation investments (component 5).	<u>Amendment 70</u> (e) 11.5 % (i.e., a total of EUR 970 000 000) for interregional innovation investments (component 5) : deleted	<i>[no change]</i>		84
3. The Commission shall communicate to each Member State its share of the global amounts for components 1, 2 and 3, broken down by year.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		85
Population size in the following regions shall be used as the criterion for the breakdown by Member State:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		86
(a) NUTS level 3 regions for component 1 and those NUTS level 3 regions for component 2B listed in the implementing act under Article 8(2);	<u>Amendment 71</u> (a) NUTS level 3 regions for component 1 and those NUTS level 3 regions for component 2B listed in the implementing act under Article 8(2);	<i>[no change]</i>		87
(b) NUTS level 2 regions for components 2A and 3.	<u>Amendment 72</u>	<i>[no change]</i>		88

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	(b) components 2A and 3 NUTS level 2 regions for component 2.			
	<u>Amendment 73</u> (b a) NUTS level 2 and 3 regions for component 3.			89
4. Each Member State may transfer up to 15% of its financial allocation for each of components 1, 2 and 3 from one of those components to one or more of the others.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		90
5. Based on the amounts communicated pursuant to paragraph 3, each Member State shall inform the Commission whether and how it has used the transfer option provided for in paragraph 4 and the resulting distribution of its share among the Interreg programmes in which the Member State participates.	<i>[no change]</i>	5. Based on the amounts communicated pursuant to paragraph 3, each Member State shall inform the Commission whether and how it has used the transfer option provided for in paragraph 4 and the resulting distribution of its share among the Interreg programmes in which the Member State participates-.]		91
	<u>Amendment 74</u>			92

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	<p>5 a. EUR 970 000 000 (8,69 %) of the resources referred to in paragraph 1 shall be allocated to the new initiative on interregional innovation investments as referred to in Article 15 a (new).</p> <p><i>If by 31 December 2026, the Commission has not committed all of the available resources referred to in paragraph 1 on projects selected under that initiative, the remaining uncommitted balances shall be re-allocated prorata among components 1 to 4.</i></p>			
<p><i>Article 10 Cross-fund provisions¹⁸</i></p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i></p>	<p>93</p>
<p>1. The Commission shall adopt an implementing act setting out the multi-annual strategy document with regard to external cross-border Interreg programmes supported by the ERDF and the NDICI or IPA III. That implementing act shall be</p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i></p>	<p>94</p>

¹⁸ Recital 10, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to this article.
Recital 14, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to art. 6, 10(5), 16(5), 23 (4), 60.
Recital 34 is linked to article 8(1)-(2), 10(1), 11, 18(4), and 19(4).

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adopted in accordance with the advisory procedure referred to in Article 63(2).			<i>To be aligned with the wording agreed in NDICI and IPA III Regulation.</i>	
With regard to Interreg programmes supported by the ERDF and the NDICI, that implementing act shall set out the elements referred to in Article 12(2) of Regulation (EU) [NDICI].	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	95
		The respective implementing act shall also cover the participation of IPA beneficiaries or partner countries in Interreg strand B, C and D programmes.	Provisional common understanding The respective implementing act shall also cover the participation of IPA beneficiaries or partner countries in Interreg B, C and D programmes.	96
2. The contribution from the ERDF to external cross-border Interreg programmes to be also supported from the financial envelope under IPA III allocated to cross-border cooperation ('IPA III CBC') or from the financial envelope under NDICI allocated to cross-border cooperation for the Neighbourhood geographic area ('NDICI CBC') shall be established by the Commission and the Member States concerned. The ERDF	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	97

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contribution established for each Member State shall not subsequently be reallocated between the Member States concerned.				
		<p>The respective contributions from IPA III and NDICI to Interreg strand B, C and D programmes shall be set out in the multi-annual strategy documents under the first subparagraph of paragraph one and shall take account of the composition of the respective programme partnership by Member States, IPA beneficiaries and partner countries.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>The respective contributions from IPA III and NDICI to Interreg B, C and D programmes shall be set out in the multi-annual strategy documents under the first subparagraph of paragraph one and shall take account of the composition of the respective programme partnership by Member States, IPA beneficiaries and partner countries.</p>	98
<p>3. Support from the ERDF shall be granted to individual external cross-border Interreg programmes provided that equivalent amounts are provided by IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC under the relevant strategic programming document. That equivalence shall be subject to a maximum amount set out in the IPA III or NDICI legislative act.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 75</u></p> <p>Support from the ERDF shall be granted to individual external cross-border Interreg programmes provided that at least equivalent amounts are provided by IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC under the relevant strategic programming document. That equivalence contribution shall be subject to a maximum amount set out in the IPA III or NDICI legislative act.</p>	<p>3. Support from the ERDF shall be granted to individual external cross-border Interreg programmes provided that at least equivalent amounts are provided by IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC under the relevant strategic programming document. That equivalence contribution shall be subject to a maximum amount set out in the IPA III or NDICI legislative act.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>3. Support from the ERDF shall be granted to individual external cross-border Interreg programmes provided that at least equivalent amounts are provided by IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC under the relevant strategic programming document. That equivalence contribution shall be subject to a maximum amount set out in the IPA III or NDICI legislative act.</p>	99

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However, where the review of the relevant strategic programming document under IPA III or NDICI results in the reduction of the matching amount for the remaining years, each Member State concerned shall choose from the following options:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	100
(a) to request the mechanism under Article 12(3);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	101
(b) to continue the Interreg programme with the remaining support from the ERDF and IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC; or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	102
(c) to combine options (a) and (b).	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i> ¹⁹	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	103
4. The annual appropriations corresponding to the support from the ERDF, IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC to external cross-border Interreg programmes shall be entered in the relevant budget lines for the 2021 budgetary exercise.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	104

¹⁹ **Council position:** Recital 10 is linked to this art. (included at the end of the table).

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<p>5. Where the Commission has included a specific financial allocation to assist partner countries or regions under Regulation (EU) [NDICI] and OCTs under Council Decision [OCT Decision] or both in strengthening their cooperation with neighbouring Union outermost regions in accordance with Article [33(2)] of Regulation (EU) [NDICI] or Article[87] of the [OCTP Decision] or both, the ERDF may also contribute in accordance with this Regulation, where appropriate and on the basis of reciprocity and proportionality as regards the level of funding from the NDICI or the OCTP or both, to actions implemented by a partner country or region or any other entity under Regulation (EU) [NDICI], by a country, territory or any other entity under the [OCT Decision] or by a Union outermost region under, in particular, one or more joint component 2, 3 or 4 Interreg programmes or under cooperation measures referred to in Article 60 established and implemented pursuant to this Regulation.</p>	[no change]	<p>5. Where the Commission has included a specific financial allocation to assist partner countries or regions under Regulation (EU) [NDICI] and OCTs under Council Decision [OCT Decision] or both in strengthening their cooperation with neighbouring Union outermost regions in accordance with Article [33(2)] of Regulation (EU) [NDICI] or Article[87] of the [OCTP Decision] or both, the ERDF may also contribute in accordance with this Regulation, where appropriate and on the basis of reciprocity and proportionality as regards the level of funding from the NDICI or the OCTP or both, to actions implemented by a partner country or region or any other entity under Regulation (EU) [NDICI], by a country, territory or any other entity under the [OCT Decision] or by a Union outermost region under, in particular, one or more joint component 2, 3 or 4 Interreg strands B, C or D programmes or under cooperation measures referred to in Article 60 established and implemented pursuant to this Regulation.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>5. Where the Commission has included a specific financial allocation to assist partner countries or regions under Regulation (EU) [NDICI] and OCTs under Council Decision [OCT Decision] or both in strengthening their cooperation with neighbouring Union outermost regions in accordance with Article [33(2)] of Regulation (EU) [NDICI] or Article[87] of the [OCTP Decision] or both, the ERDF may also contribute in accordance with this Regulation, where appropriate and on the basis of reciprocity and proportionality as regards the level of funding from the NDICI or the OCTP or both, to actions implemented by a partner country or region or any other entity under Regulation (EU) [NDICI], by a country, territory or any other entity under the [OCT Decision] or by a Union outermost region under, in particular, one or more joint component 2, 3 or 4 Interreg B, C or D programmes or under cooperation measures referred to in Article 60 established and implemented pursuant to this Regulation.</p>	105
<p><i>Article 11</i> <i>List of Interreg programme</i></p>	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	106

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<i>resources²⁰</i>			<i>[No change]</i>	
<p>1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States pursuant to Article 9(5), the Commission shall, adopt an implementing act setting out a list of all Interreg programmes and indicating per programme the global amount of the total support from the ERDF and, where applicable, the total support from external financing instruments of the Union. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the advisory procedure referred to in Article 63(2).</p>	<i>[no change]</i>	<p>1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States pursuant to Article 9(5), the Commission shall, adopt an implementing act setting out a list of all Interreg programmes and indicating per programme the global amount of the total support from the ERDF and, where applicable, the total support from each external financing instrumentsinstrument of the Union. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the advisory procedure referred to in Article 63(2).</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States pursuant to Article 9(5), the Commission shall, adopt an implementing act setting out a list of all Interreg programmes and indicating per programme the global amount of the total support from the ERDF and, where applicable, the total support from each external financing instrumentsinstrument of the Union. That implementing act shall be adopted in accordance with the advisory procedure referred to in Article 63(2).</p>	107
<p>2. That implementing act shall also contain a list of the amounts transferred pursuant to Article 9(5) broken down by Member State and by external financing instrument of the Union.</p>	<i>[no change]</i>	<p>2. That implementing act shall also contain a list of the amounts transferred pursuant to Article- 9(54) broken down by Member State and by external financing instrument of the Union.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>2. That implementing act shall also contain a list of the amounts transferred pursuant to Article- 9(54) broken down by Member State and by external financing instrument of the Union.</p> <p><i>The reference will be aligned when common understanding on Art. 9 is reached</i></p>	108

²⁰ Recital 34 is linked to article 8(1)-(2), 10(1), 11, 18(4), and 19(4).

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<i>Article 12 Return of resources and discontinuation²¹</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	109
1. In 2022 and 2023, the annual contribution from the ERDF to external cross-border Interreg programmes, for which no programme has been submitted to the Commission by 31 March of the respective years, and which has not been re-allocated to another programme submitted under the same category of external cross-border Interreg programmes, shall be allocated to the internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which the Member State or Member States concerned participates or participate.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	110
2. If by 31 March 2024, there are still external cross-border Interreg programmes which have not been submitted to the Commission, the entire contribution from the ERDF referred to in Article 9(5) to those programmes for the remaining years up to 2027, which has not been re-allocated to another external cross-border Interreg programme also supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI	<i>[no change]</i>	2. If by 31 March 2024, there are still external cross-border Interreg programmes which have not been submitted to the Commission, the entire contribution from the ERDF referred to in Article 9(5) to those programmes for the remaining years up to 2027, which has not been re-allocated to another external cross-border Interreg programme also supported	<i>Provisional common understanding 2. If by 31 March 2024, there are still external cross-border Interreg programmes which have not been submitted to the Commission, the entire contribution from the ERDF referred to in Article 9(5) to those programmes for the remaining years up to 2027, which has not been re-allocated to another external cross-border Interreg programme also supported by IPA III CBC</i>	111

²¹ Recital 16 is linked to this article.

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CBC respectively, shall be allocated to the internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which the Member State or Member States concerned participates or participate.		by IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC respectively, shall be allocated to the internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which the Member State or Member States concerned participates or participate.	or NDICI CBC respectively, shall be allocated to the internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which the Member State or Member States concerned participates or participate.	
3. Any external cross-border Interreg programme already approved by the Commission shall be discontinued, or the allocation to that programme shall be reduced, in accordance with the applicable rules and procedures, in particular if:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	112
(a) none of the partner countries covered by the respective Interreg programme has signed the relevant financing agreement by the deadlines set out in accordance with Article 57;	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) none of the partner countries covered by the respective Interreg programme has signed the relevant financing agreement by the deadlines set out in accordance with Article 57 58 ;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (a) none of the partner countries covered by the respective Interreg programme has signed the relevant financing agreement by the deadlines set out in accordance with Article 57 58 ;	113
(b) the Interreg programme cannot be implemented as planned due to problems in relations between the participating countries.	<u>Amendment 76</u> (b) <i>In duly justified cases, where</i> the Interreg programme cannot be implemented as planned due to problems in relations between the participating countries.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[EP amendment 76 withdrawn]</i> <i>[No change]</i>	114

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<p>In such cases, the contribution from the ERDF referred to in paragraph 1 corresponding to annual instalments not yet committed, or annual instalments committed and de-committed totally or partially during the same budgetary year, which have not been re-allocated to another external cross-border Interreg programme also supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC respectively, shall be allocated to the internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which the Member State or Member States concerned participates or participate.</p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p>In such cases, the contribution from the ERDF referred to in paragraph 1 corresponding to annual instalments not yet committed, or annual instalments committed and de-committed totally or partially during the same budgetary year, which have not been re-allocated to another external cross-border Interreg programme also supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC respectively, shall be allocated to the internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which the Member State or Member States concerned participates or participate.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>In such cases, the contribution from the ERDF referred to in paragraph 1 corresponding to annual instalments not yet committed, or annual instalments committed and de-committed totally or partially during the same budgetary year, which have not been re-allocated to another external cross-border Interreg programme also supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC respectively, shall be allocated to the internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which the Member State or Member States concerned participates or participate.</p>	115
<p>4. With regard to a component 2 Interreg programme already approved by the Commission, the participation of a partner country or of Greenland shall be discontinued, if one of the situations set out in points (a) and (b) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 3 is fulfilled.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 77</u></p> <p>With regard to a component 2 Interreg programme already approved by the Commission, the participation of a partner country or of Greenland an OCT shall be discontinued, if one of the situations set out in points (a) and (b) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 3 is fulfilled.</p>	<p>4. With regard to a component 2 Interreg strand B programme already approved by the Commission, the participation of a partner country or of Greenland shall be discontinued, if one of the situations set out in points (a) and (b) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 3 is fulfilled.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>4. With regard to an component 2 Interreg B programme already approved by the Commission, the participation of a partner country or of Greenland an OCT shall be discontinued, if one of the situations set out in points (a) and (b) of the first subparagraph of paragraph 3 is fulfilled.</p> <p><i>[No change]</i></p>	116

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The participating Member States and, where applicable, the remaining participating partner countries, shall request one of the following:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	117
(a) that the Interreg programme be discontinued in total, in particular where the main joint development challenges thereof cannot be achieved without the participation of that partner country or of Greenland;	<u>Amendment 78</u> (a) that the Interreg programme be discontinued in total, in particular where the main joint development challenges thereof cannot be achieved without the participation of that partner country or of Greenland OCT ;	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding (a) that the Interreg programme be discontinued in total, in particular where the main joint development challenges thereof cannot be achieved without the participation of that partner country or of Greenland OCT ;	118
(b) that the allocation to that Interreg programme be reduced, in accordance with the applicable rules and procedures;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	119
(c) that the Interreg programme continue without the participation of that partner country or of Greenland.	<u>Amendment 79</u> (c) that the Interreg programme continue without the participation of that partner country or of Greenland an OCT .	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding (c) that the Interreg programme continue without the participation of that partner country or of Greenland an OCT .	120

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Where the allocation to the Interreg programme is reduced pursuant to point (b) of the second subparagraph of this paragraph, the contribution from the ERDF corresponding to annual instalments not yet committed, shall be allocated to another component 2 Interreg programme in which one or more of the Member States concerned participate or, where a Member State only participates in one component 2 Interreg programme, to one or more internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which that Member State participates.	<i>[no change]</i>	Where the allocation to the Interreg programme is reduced pursuant to point (b) of the second subparagraph of this paragraph, the contribution from the ERDF corresponding to annual instalments not yet committed, shall be allocated to another component 2 Interreg strand B programme in which one or more of the Member States concerned participate or, where a Member State only participates in one component 2 Interreg strand B programme, to one or more internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which that Member State participates.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> Where the allocation to the Interreg programme is reduced pursuant to point (b) of the second subparagraph of this paragraph, the contribution from the ERDF corresponding to annual instalments not yet committed, shall be allocated to another component 2 Interreg B programme in which one or more of the Member States concerned participate or, where a Member State only participates in one component 2 Interreg B programme, to one or more internal cross-border Interreg programmes in which that Member State participates.	121
5. The contribution from IPA III, NDICI or OCTP reduced pursuant to this Article shall be used in accordance with Regulations (EU) [IPA III], [NDICI] or Council Decision [OCT] respectively.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	122
6. Where a third country or partner country contributing to an Interreg programme with national resources, which do not constitute the national cofinancing of support from the ERDF or from an external financing instrument of the Union, reduces that contribution during the implementation of the Interreg	<u>Amendment 80</u> 6. Where a third country or , partner country or OCTs contributing to an Interreg programme with national resources, which do not constitute the national	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 6. Where a third country or , partner country or OCTs contributing to an Interreg programme with national resources, which do not constitute the national cofinancing of support from the ERDF or from an external financing instrument of the Union, reduces that contribution during the implementation	123

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programme, either globally or with regard to joint operations already selected and having received the document provided for in Article 22(6), the participating Member State or Member States shall request one of the options set out in the second subparagraph of paragraph 4.	cofinancing of support from the ERDF or from an external financing instrument of the Union, reduces that contribution during the implementation of the Interreg programme, either globally or with regard to joint operations already selected and having received the document provided for in Article 22(6), the participating Member State or Member States shall request one of the options set out in the second subparagraph of paragraph 4 <i>of this Article</i> .		of the Interreg programme, either globally or with regard to joint operations already selected and having received the document provided for in Article 22(6), the participating Member State or Member States shall request one of the options set out in the second subparagraph of paragraph 4 <i>of this Article</i> .	
<i>Article 13 Co-financing rates</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	[Article 13 Co-financing rates		124
The co-financing rate at the level of each Interreg programme shall be not higher than 70 %, unless, with regard to external cross-border or component 3 Interreg programmes, a higher percentage is fixed in Regulations (EU) [IPA III], [NDICI] or Council Decision (EU) [OCTP] respectively or in any act adopted thereunder.	<u>Amendment 81</u> The co-financing rate at the level of each Interreg programme shall be not higher than 70% 80 % , unless, with regard to external cross-border or component 3 Interreg programmes, a higher percentage is fixed in Regulations (EU) [IPA III], [NDICI] or Council Decision (EU) [OCTP] respectively or in any act adopted thereunder.	The co-financing rate at the level of each Interreg programme shall be not higher than 70 %, unless, with regard to external cross-border or component 3 Interreg strand D programmes, a higher percentage is fixed in Regulations (EU) [IPA III], [NDICI] or Council Decision (EU) [OCTP] respectively or in any act adopted thereunder.]		125
CHAPTER II Interreg-specific objectives and	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	126

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thematic concentration			[No change]	
<i>Article 14</i> <i>Interreg-specific objectives</i> ²²	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> [No change]	127
1. The ERDF, within its scope as set out in Article [4] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union shall contribute to the policy objectives set out in Article [4(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] through joint actions under Interreg programmes.	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> [No change]	128
2. In the case of the PEACE PLUS programme, where it is acting in support of peace and reconciliation, the ERDF, as a specific objective under policy objective 4, shall also contribute to promoting social, economic and regional stability in the regions concerned, in particular through actions to promote cohesion between communities. A separate priority	[no change]	2. [In the case of the PEACE PLUS programme, where it is acting in support of peace and reconciliation, the ERDF, as a specific objective under policy objective 4, shall also contribute to promoting social, economic and regional stability in the regions concerned, in particular through actions to promote cohesion between communities. A separate	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. [In the case of the PEACE PLUS programme, where it is acting in support of peace and reconciliation, the ERDF, as a specific objective under policy objective 4, shall also contribute to promoting social, economic and regional stability in the regions concerned, in particular through actions to promote cohesio between communities. A separate priority shall	129

²² Recital 11, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 14(5).
Recital 17 is linked to art 14(1), 14(3).
Recital 18, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 14(2), 23(3), 44(3), 53(1), 59(3).
Recital 19 is linked to article 14(4), 14(5).

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shall support that specific objective.		priority shall support that specific objective.]	support that specific objective.]	
3. In addition to the specific objectives for the ERDF as set out in Article [2] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union may also contribute to the specific objectives under PO 4 as follows:	<u>Amendment 82</u> 3. In addition to the specific objectives for the ERDF as set out in Article [2] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union may shall also contribute to the specific objectives under PO 4 as follows:	3. In addition to the specific objectives for the ERDF as set out in Article [2] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union may also contribute to the specific objectives under PO 4 as follows: (i) to (x) of Article 4(1) of Regulation (EU) [ESF+ Regulation] through joint actions under Interreg programmes²³.		130
(a) enhancing the effectiveness of labour markets and improving access to quality employment across borders;	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) — enhancing the effectiveness of labour markets and improving access to quality employment across borders;		131
(b) improving access to and the quality of education, training and lifelong learning across borders with a view to increasing the educational attainment and skills levels thereof as to be recognised across borders;	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) — improving access to and the quality of education, training and lifelong learning across borders with a view to increasing the educational attainment and skills levels thereof as to be recognised across borders;		132
(c) enhancing the equal and timely access to quality, sustainable and affordable healthcare services	<i>[no change]</i>	(c) — enhancing the equal and timely access to quality, sustainable and affordable healthcare services		133

²³ **Council position:** Recital 17 is linked to this art. (included at the end of the table).

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across borders;		across borders;		
(d) improving accessibility, effectiveness and resilience of healthcare systems and long-term care services across borders;	<i>[no change]</i>	(d) — improving accessibility, effectiveness and resilience of healthcare systems and long-term care services across borders;		134
(e) promoting social inclusion and tackling poverty, including by enhancing equal opportunities and combating discrimination across borders.	<i>[no change]</i>	(e) — promoting social inclusion and tackling poverty, including by enhancing equal opportunities and combating discrimination across borders.		135
4. Under components 1, 2, and 3, the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union may also support the Interreg-specific objective 'a better Interreg governance', in particular by the following actions:	<i>[no change]</i>	4. Under components 1, 2, and 3 Interreg programmes , the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union may also support the Interreg-specific objective 'a better Interregcooperation governance', in particular by the following	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 4. Under components 1, 2, and 3 Interreg programmes , the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union may also support the Interreg-specific objective 'a better Interregcooperation governance', in particular by the following actions:	136
(a) under component 1 and 2B Interreg programmes:	<u>Amendment 83</u> (a) under component 1 and 2B 2 Interreg programmes:	(a) under component 1 and 2B Interreg strand A programmes:	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (a) under component 1 and 2B Interreg A programmes:	137
(i) enhance the institutional capacity of public authorities, in particular those mandated to manage a specific territory, and of	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	138

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stakeholders;				
(ii) enhance efficient public administration by promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens and institutions, in particular, with a view to resolving legal and other obstacles in border regions;	<u>Amendment 84</u> (ii) enhance efficient public administration by promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens, including people-to-people projects, civil society actors and institutions, in particular, with a view to resolving legal and other obstacles in border regions;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (ii) enhance efficient public administration by promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens, civil society actors and institutions, in particular, with a view to resolving legal and other obstacles in border regions;	139
		(iii) build up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions²⁴;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (iii) build up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions²⁵;	140
(b) under component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg programmes: enhance institutional capacity of public authorities and stakeholders to implement macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies;	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) under component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg programmes: enhance institutional capacity of public authorities and stakeholders to implement macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies; as well as other territorial strategies;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (b) under component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg programmes: enhance institutional capacity of public authorities and stakeholders to implement macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies; as well as other territorial strategies;	141

²⁴ **Council position:** Recital 19 is linked to this art. (included at the end of the table).

²⁵ **Council position:** Recital 19 is linked to this art. (included at the end of the table).

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<p>(c) under external cross-border and component 2 and 3 Interreg programmes supported by the Interreg funds, in addition to points (a) and (b): building up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions, by enhancing sustainable democracy and by supporting civil society actors and their role in reforming processes and democratic transitions;</p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p>(c) under external cross-border and component 2 and 3 Interreg strands B, C and D programmes supported by the Interreg funds, in addition to points (a) and (b): building up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions, by enhancing sustainable democracy and by supporting civil society actors and their role in reforming processes and democratic transitions;</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>(c) under external cross-border and component 2 and 3 Interreg B, C and D programmes supported by the Interreg funds, in addition to points (a) and (b): building up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions, by enhancing sustainable democracy and by supporting civil society actors and their role in reforming processes and democratic transitions;</p>	142
<p>5. Under external cross-border and component 2 and 3 Interreg programmes the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union shall also contribute to the external Interreg-specific objective 'a safer and more secure Europe', in particular by actions in the fields of border crossing management and mobility and migration management, including the protection of migrants.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 85</u></p> <p>5. Under external cross-border and component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg programmes the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union shall may also contribute to the external Interreg-specific objective 'a safer and more secure Europe', in particular by actions in the fields of border crossing management and mobility and migration management, including the protection, economic and social integration of migrants and refugees under international protection.</p>	<p>5. Under external cross border and component 2 and 3 Interreg programmes, the ERDF and, where applicable, the external financing instruments of the Union shall may also contribute to the external Interreg-specific objective 'a safer and more secure Europe', in particular by actions in the fields of border crossing management and mobility and migration management, including the protection of migrants.</p>		143

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<p><i>Article 15 Thematic concentration²⁶</i></p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p><i>[No change]</i></p> <p><i>Rows 145, 146 and 147 to be discussed together</i></p>	<p>144</p>
<p>1. At least 60% of the ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocated under priorities other than for technical assistance to each Interreg programme under components 1, 2 and 3, shall be allocated on a maximum of three of the policy objectives set out in Article [4(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].</p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p>1. At least 60% of the ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocated under priorities other than for technical assistance to each Interreg strand A, B and D programme under components 1, 2 and 3, shall be allocated on a maximum of three of the policy objectives set out in Article [4(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].</p>		<p>145</p>
<p>2. An additional 15% of the ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance to each Interreg programme under components 1, 2 and 3, shall be allocated on the Interreg-specific</p>	<p><u>Amendment 86</u></p> <p>2. An additional 15% Of the ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under</p>	<p>2. An additional 15% At least 10% of the ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance to each Interreg strand A, B and D programme under components 1, 2</p>		<p>146</p>

²⁶ Recital 20, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to this article.

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objective of 'a better Interreg governance' or on the external Interreg-specific objective of 'a safer and more secure Europe'.	priorities other than for technical assistance to each Interreg programme under components 1, 2 and 3, up to 15 % shall be allocated on the Interreg-specific objective of 'a better Interreg governance' or and up to 10 % may be allocated on the external Interreg-specific objective of 'a safer and more secure Europe'.	and 3, shall, may be allocated on the Interreg-specific objective of 'a better Interreg cooperation governance' or on the external Interreg-specific objective of 'a safer and more secure Europe'.		
3. Where a component 2A Interreg programme supports a macro-regional strategy, the total ERDF and, where applicable, the total external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be programmed on the objectives of that strategy.	<u>Amendment 87</u> 3. Where a component 2A 1 or 2 Interreg programme supports a macro-regional strategy or a sea-basin strategy , at least 80 % the total ERDF and, where applicable, part of the total external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be programmed on contribute to the objectives of that strategy.	3. Where a component 2A an Interreg strand B programme supports covers the same geographical area as a macro-regional or sea basin strategy, at least 75% of the total ERDF and, where applicable, the total external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be programmed on the objectives of that strategy.		147
4. Where a component 2B Interreg programme supports a macro-regional strategy or sea-basin strategy, at least 70% of the total ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance	<u>Amendment 88</u> 4. Where a component 2B Interreg programme supports a macro-regional strategy or sea-basin strategy , at least 70% of the total ERDF and, where applicable,	4. Where a component 2B Interreg programme supports a macro-regional strategy or sea-basin strategy , at least 70% of the total ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 4. Where a component 2B Interreg programme supports a macro-regional strategy or sea-basin strategy , at least 70% of the total ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the	148

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shall be allocated on the objectives of that strategy.	of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be allocated on the objectives of that strategy. <i>deleted</i>	than for technical assistance shall be allocated on the objectives of that strategy.	Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be allocated on the objectives of that strategy.	
5. For component 4 Interreg programmes, the total ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be allocated on the Interreg-specific objective 'a better Interreg governance'.	<i>[no change]</i>	5. For component 4 Interreg programmes, All of the policy objectives set out in the first paragraph of Article 4 of Regulation (EU)[new CPR] and the Interreg specific objective "a better cooperation governance" may be selected for <i>Interreg Europe</i> and <i>URBACT</i> programmes. For <i>INTERACT</i> and <i>ESPON</i> programmes, the total ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be allocated to the Interreg-specific objective 'a better cooperation governance'.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 5. For component 4 Interreg programmes, All of the policy objectives set out in the first paragraph of Article 4 of Regulation (EU)[new CPR] and the Interreg specific objective "a better cooperation governance" may be selected for <i>Interreg Europe</i> and <i>URBACT</i> programmes. For <i>INTERACT</i> and <i>ESPON</i> programmes, the total ERDF and, where applicable, of the external financing instruments of the Union allocations under priorities other than for technical assistance shall be allocated to the Interreg-specific objective 'a better cooperation governance'.	149
	<u>Amendment 89</u> <i>Article 15 a Interregional innovation investments</i>			150

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	<i>1. The resources referred to in Article 9 (5 a) (new) shall be allocated to a new initiative on interregional innovation investments that is earmarked for:</i>			151
	<i>(a) the commercialisation and scaling up of common innovation projects that are likely to encourage the development of European value chains;</i>			152
	<i>(b) the bringing together of researchers, businesses, civil society organisations, and public administrations involved in smart specialisation and social innovation strategies at national or regional level;</i>			153
	<i>(c) pilot projects aimed at identifying or testing new development solutions at regional and local level which are based on smart specialisation strategies; or</i>			154
	<i>(d) sharing innovation experiences with the aim of benefiting from the experience gained in regional or local development.</i>			155

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	<p><i>2. To maintain the European territorial cohesion principle, with an approximate equal share of financial resources, those investments shall focus on creating linkages between less developed regions with those in lead regions by increasing the capacity of regional innovation eco-systems in less developed regions to integrate in and move up the existing or emerging EU value as well as the capacity to participate in partnerships with other regions.</i></p>			156
	<p><i>3. The Commission shall implement those investments under direct or indirect management. It shall be supported by an expert group in defining a long-term work programme and related calls.</i></p>			157
	<p><i>4. The entire territory of the Union shall be supported by the ERDF for interregional innovation investments.</i></p>			158
	<p><i>Third countries may participate in those investments, provided that they make a funding contribution in the form of externally allocated revenue.</i></p>			159

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CHAPTER III Programming	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	160
Section I Preparation, approval and amendment of Interreg programmes	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	161
Article 16 Preparation and submission of Interreg programmes ²⁷	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	162
1. The European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) shall be implemented through Interreg programmes under shared management with the exception of component 3, which may be implemented as a whole or partially under indirect management, and of component 5 which shall be implemented under direct or indirect management.	<u>Amendment 90</u> 1. The European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) shall be implemented through Interreg programmes under shared management with the exception of component 3, which may be implemented as a whole or partially under indirect management and of component 5 which shall be implemented under direct or indirect management <i>after consulting stakeholders.</i>	1. The European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) shall be implemented through Interreg programmes under shared management with the exception of component 3 strand D , which may be implemented as a whole or partially under indirect management, and of component 5 which shall be implemented under direct in agreement with the Member State or indirect management Member States concerned.	Provisional common understanding 1. The European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) shall be implemented through Interreg programmes under shared management with the exception of component 3 Interreg D programme , which may be implemented as a whole or partially under indirect management, and of component 5 which shall be implemented under direct in agreement with the Member State or indirect management Member States concerned after consulting stakeholders.	163

²⁷ Recital 13 is linked to this article.
Recital 14, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to art. 6, 10(5), 16(5), 23 (4), 60.
Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48, 52.
Recital 36 is linked to article 16(6) and 62.

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<p>2. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries or OCTs, shall prepare an Interreg programme in accordance with the template set out in the Annex for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 91</u></p> <p>2. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries, or OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations shall prepare an Interreg programme in accordance with the template set out in the Annex for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027.</p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>2. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries, or OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations shall prepare an Interreg programme in accordance with the template set out in the Annex for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027.</p>	<p>164</p>
<p>3. The participating Member States shall prepare an Interreg programme in cooperation with the programme partners referred to in Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [the new CPR].</p>	<p><u>Amendment 92</u></p> <p>The participating Member States shall prepare an Interreg programme in cooperation with the programme partners referred to in Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [the new CPR]. <i>In the preparation of the Interreg programmes, covering macro-regional or sea basin strategies, the Member States and the programme partners should take into account the thematic priorities of the relevant macro-regional and sea basins strategies and consult the relevant actors. An</i></p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>The participating Member States shall prepare an Interreg programme in cooperation with the programme partners referred to in Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [the new CPR]. <i>In the preparation of the Interreg programmes, covering macro-regional or sea basin strategies, the Member States and the programme partners should take into account the thematic priorities of the relevant macro-regional and sea basins strategies and consult the relevant actors, as well as ensure that these actors at macro-region and sea basin level are brought together</i></p>	<p>165</p>

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	<i>ex ante mechanism shall be set up by the Member States and the programme partners to ensure that all actors at macro-region and sea basin level, ETC programme authorities, regions and countries are brought together at the start of the programming period to decide jointly on the priorities for each programme. Those priorities shall be aligned with macro-regional or sea basin strategies' Action Plans wherever relevant.</i>		at the start of the programming period in line with Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [the new CPR].	
The participating third countries or partner countries or OCTs, where applicable, shall also involve the programme partners equivalent to those referred to in that Article.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> The participating third countries or partner countries or OCTs, where applicable, shall also involve the programme partners, including regional integration and cooperation organisations , equivalent to those referred to in that Article.	166
4. The Member State hosting the prospective managing authority, shall submit an Interreg programme to the Commission by [<i>date of entry into force plus nine months;</i>] on behalf of all participating Member States and, where applicable, third	<u>Amendment 93</u> The Member State hosting the prospective managing authority, shall submit an one or more Interreg programme programme programmes to	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 4. The Member State hosting the prospective managing authority, shall submit an Interreg programmes to the Commission by [<i>date of entry into force</i>	167

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countries, partner countries or OCTs.	the Commission by [date of entry into force plus nine months twelvemonths];] on behalf of all participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries, or OCTs OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations.		<i>plus nine months;</i>] on behalf of all participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries or OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations.	
However, an Interreg programme covering support from an external financing instrument of the Union shall be submitted by the Member State hosting the prospective managing authority no later than six months after the adoption by the Commission of the relevant strategic programming document under Article 10(1) or where required under the respective basic act of one or more of an external financing instrument of the Union.	<u>Amendment 94</u> However, an Interreg programme covering support from an external financing instrument of the Union shall be submitted by the Member State hosting the prospective managing authority no later than six twelve months after the adoption by the Commission of the relevant strategic programming document under Article 10(1) or where required under the respective basic act of one or more of an external financing instrument of the Union.	However, an Interreg programme covering support from an external financing instrument of the Union shall be submitted by the Member State hosting the prospective managing authority no later than six nine months after the adoption by the Commission of the relevant strategic programming document under Article 10(1) or where required under the respective basic act of one or more of an external financing instrument of the Union.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> However, an Interreg programme covering support from an external financing instrument of the Union shall be submitted by the Member State hosting the prospective managing authority no later than six nine months after the adoption by the Commission of the relevant strategic programming document under Article 10(1) or where required under the respective basic act of one or more of an external financing instrument of the Union.	168
5. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries or OCTs shall confirm in writing their	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	169

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agreement to the contents of an Interreg programme prior to its submission to the Commission. That agreement shall also include a commitment by all participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries or OCTs to provide the co-financing necessary to implement the Interreg programme and, where applicable, the commitment for the financial contribution of the third countries, partner countries or OCTs.				
By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, in the case of Interreg programmes involving outermost regions and third countries, partner countries or OCTs, the Member States concerned shall consult the respective third countries, partner countries or OCTs before submitting the Interreg programmes to the Commission. In that case, the agreements to the contents of the Interreg programmes and the possible contribution of the third countries, partner countries or OCTs may, instead, be expressed in the formally approved minutes of the consultation meetings with the third countries, partner countries or OCTs or of the deliberations of the regional cooperation organisations.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, in the case of Interreg programmes involving outermost regions and third countries, partner countries or OCTs, the Member States concerned shall consult the respective third countries, partner countries or OCTs before submitting the Interreg programmes to the Commission. In that case, the agreements to the contents of the Interreg programmes and the possible contribution of the third countries, partner countries or OCTs may, instead, be expressed in the formally approved minutes of the consultation meetings with the third countries, partner countries or OCTs or of the deliberations of the regional integration and cooperation organisations.	170

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6. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 62 to amend the Annex in order to adapt to changes occurring during the programming period for non-essential elements thereof.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	171
<i>Article 17</i> <i>Content of Interreg programmes²⁸</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i> <i>Article 17 of the Interreg Regulation will have to be aligned with Article 17 of CPR.</i>	172
1. Each Interreg programme shall set out a joint strategy for the programme's contribution to the policy objectives set out in Article [4(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and to the Interreg-specific objectives set out in Article 14(4) and (5) of this Regulation and the communication of its results.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	173
2. Each Interreg programme shall consist of priorities.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	174

²⁸ Recital 12 is linked to article 5(1) and 17(4).
Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48, 52.

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<p>Each priority shall correspond to a single policy objective or, where applicable, to one or both Interreg-specific objectives respectively or to technical assistance. A priority corresponding to a policy objective or, where applicable, to one or both Interreg-specific objectives respectively shall consist of one or more specific objectives. More than one priority may correspond to the same policy or Interreg-specific objective.</p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p>Each priority shall correspond to a single policy objective or, where applicable, to one or both Interreg-specific objectives respectively or to technical assistance. A priority corresponding to a policy objective or, where applicable, to one or both Interreg-specific objectives respectively and shall consist of one or more specific objectives. More than one priority may correspond to the same policy or Interreg-specific objective.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>Each priority shall correspond to a single policy objective or, where applicable, to one or both Interreg-specific objectives respectively or to technical assistance. A priority corresponding to a policy objective or, where applicable, to one or both Interreg-specific objectives and shall consist of one or more specific objectives. More than one priority may correspond to the same policy or Interreg-specific objective.</p>	<p>175</p>
<p>3. In duly justified cases and in agreement with the Commission, in order to increase the efficiency of programme implementation and to achieve larger-scale operations, the Member State concerned may decide to transfer to Interreg programmes up to [x]% of the amount of the ERDF allocated to the corresponding programme under the Investment for jobs and growth goal for the same region. The amount transferred shall constitute a separate priority or separate priorities.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 95</u></p> <p>3. In duly justified cases and in agreement with the Commission, In order to increase the efficiency of programme implementation and to achieve larger-scale operations, the Member State concerned may decide to transfer to Interreg programmes up to [x]20 % of the amount of the ERDF allocated to the corresponding programme under the Investment for jobs and growth goal for the same region. Each Member State shall inform the Commission in advance that it intends to make use of the transfer option, and shall give the</p>	<p>3. In duly justified cases and in agreement with the Commission, in order to increase the efficiency of programme implementation and to achieve larger-scale operations, the Member State concerned may decide to transfer to Interreg programmes up to [x]% of the amount of the ERDF allocated to the corresponding programme under the Investment for jobs and growth goal for the same region. The amount transferred shall constitute a separate priority or separate priorities.</p>		<p>176</p>

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	<i>Commission reasons for its decision.</i> The amount transferred shall constitute a separate priority or separate priorities.			
4. Each Interreg programme shall set out:	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	177
(a) the programme area (including a map thereof as a separate document);	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	178
(b) a summary of the main joint challenges, taking into account:	<u>Amendment 96</u> (b) a summary of the main joint challenges, particularly taking into account:	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [EP amendment 96 withdrawn] [No change]	179
(i) economic, social and territorial disparities;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding Final wording to be aligned with Art.17 CPR For information, this is the wording in art.17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding: (i) economic, social and territorial	180

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			disparities as well as inequalities , except for programmes supported by the EMFF;	
(ii) joint investment needs and complementarity with other forms of support;	<u>Amendment 97</u> (ii) joint investment needs and complementarity with other forms of support and potential synergies to be achieved ;	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>Final wording to be aligned with Art.17 CPR</i> <i>For information, this is the wording in art.17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i> (ii bis) investment needs and complementarity and synergies with other forms of support;	181
(iii) lessons learnt from past experience;	<u>Amendment 98</u> (iii) lessons learnt from past experience and how they have been taken into account into the programme ;	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[EP amendment 98 withdrawn]</i> <i>[No change]</i> <i>For information, this is the wording in art.17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i>	182

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			(v) lessons learnt from past experience;	
(iv) macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies where the programme area as a whole or partially is covered by one or more strategies;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	183
(c) a justification for the selected policy objectives and Interreg-specific objectives, corresponding priorities, specific objectives and the forms of support, addressing, where appropriate, missing links in cross-border infrastructure;	<u>Amendment 99</u> (c) a justification for the selected policy objectives and Interreg-specific objectives, corresponding priorities, specific objectives and the forms of support, and addressing, where appropriate, missing links in cross-border infrastructure;	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[EP amendment 99 withdrawn]</i> <i>[No change]</i>	184
(d) for each priority, except for technical assistance, specific objectives;	<i>[no change]</i>	(d) for each priority, except for technical assistance,:	Provisional common understanding (d) for each priority, except for technical assistance,:	185
		(i) specific objectives;		186
		(ii) types of intervention;		187
		(iii) an indicative breakdown of		188

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		the programmed resources by type of intervention.		
(e) for each specific objective:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	189
(i) the related types of actions, including a list of planned operations of strategic importance, and their expected contribution to those specific objectives and to macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies, where appropriate;	<u>Amendment 100</u> (i) the related types of actions, including a list of planned operations of strategic importance, and their expected contribution to those specific objectives and to macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies, where appropriate, respectively the set of criteria and the corresponding transparent selection criteria for such operation;	(i) the related types of actions, including a list of planned operations of strategic importance, and their expected contribution to those specific objectives and to macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies, where appropriate;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (i) the related types of actions, including a list of planned operations of strategic importance, and their expected contribution to those specific objectives and to macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies, where appropriate; <i>For information, this is the wording in art.17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i> (i) the related types of actions, including a list of planned operations of strategic importance, and their expected contribution to those specific objectives and to macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies, where appropriate;	190
(ii) output indicators and result indicators with the corresponding	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	191

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milestones and targets;			<p><i>[No change]</i></p> <p><i>For information, this is the wording in art.</i></p> <p><i>17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i></p> <p>(ii) output indicators and result indicators with the corresponding milestones and targets;</p>	
(iii) the main target groups;	<p><u>Amendment 101</u></p> <p>(iii) the main target groups; <i>deleted</i></p>	<i>[no change]</i>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p><i>[EP amendment 101 withdrawn]</i></p> <p><i>[No change]</i></p> <p><i>For information, this is the wording in art.</i></p> <p><i>17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i></p> <p>(iii) the main target groups;</p>	192
(iv) specific territories targeted, including the planned use of integrated territorial investments, community-led local development or other territorial tools;	<i>[no change]</i>	(iv) indication of the specific territories targeted, including the planned use of integrated territorial investments, community-led local development or other territorial tools;	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>(iv) indication of the specific territories targeted, including the planned use of integrated territorial investments, community-led local development or other territorial tools;</p>	193

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			<p><i>For information, this is the wording in art.</i></p> <p><i>17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i></p> <p>(iv) indication of the specific territories targeted, including the planned use of integrated territorial investment, community-led local development or other territorial tools;</p>	
(v) the planned use of financial instruments;	<p><u>Amendment 102</u></p> <p>(v) the planned use of financial instruments; deleted</p>	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p><i>[EP amendment 102 withdrawn]</i></p> <p><i>[No change]</i></p>	194
(vi) an indicative breakdown of the programmed resources by type of intervention.	[no change]	(vi) an indicative breakdown of the programmed resources by type of intervention.		195
(f) for the technical assistance priority, the planned use in accordance with Articles [30], [31] and [32] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and relevant types of intervention;	[no change]	(f) for the technical assistance priority, the planned use in accordance with Articles [30], [31] and [32] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and relevant types of intervention;	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>(f) for the technical assistance priority, the planned use in accordance with Articles [30], [31] and [32] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and relevant types of intervention;</p>	196
(g) a financing plan containing the following tables (without any division per participating Member	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	197

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State, third country, partner country or OCT, unless specified otherwise therein):			<i>[No change]</i>	
(i) a table specifying the total financial allocation for the ERDF and, where relevant, for each external financing instrument of the Union for the whole programming period and by year;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	198
(ii) a table specifying the total financial allocation for each priority by the ERDF and, where relevant, by each external financing instrument of the Union by priority and the national co-financing and whether the national co-financing is made up of public and private co-financing;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	199
(h) the actions taken to involve the relevant programme partners referred to in Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] in the preparation of the Interreg programme, and the role of those programme partners in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of that programme;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	200
(i) the envisaged approach to communication and visibility for the Interreg programme through defining its objectives, target audiences, communication channels, social	<i>[no change]</i>	(i) the envisaged approach to communication and visibility for the Interreg programme through defining its objectives, target audiences, communication	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>Final wording to be aligned with Art.17</i>	201

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media outreach, planned budget and relevant indicators for monitoring and evaluation.		channels, social media outreach , planned budget and relevant indicators for monitoring and evaluation.	<p><i>CPR.</i></p> <p><i>For information, this is the wording in art.</i></p> <p><i>17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i></p> <p>(i) the envisaged approach to communication and visibility for the Interreg programme through defining its objectives, target audiences, communication channels, including social media outreach, where appropriate, planned budget and relevant indicators for monitoring and evaluation;</p>	
		When submitting the programme, this shall be accompanied by a list of planned operations of strategic importance, for information purposes.	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>When submitting the programme, this shall be accompanied by a list of planned operations of strategic importance, for information purposes.</p> <p><i>For information, this is the wording in art.</i></p>	202

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			<p><i>17 CPR on which there is a provisional common understanding:</i></p> <p>When submitting the programme for the ERDF, the Cohesion Fund, the ESF+ and the EMFF, this shall be accompanied for information purposes by a list of planned operations of strategic importance, with a timetable.</p>	
<p>5. The information referred to in paragraph 4 shall be given as follows:</p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p>5. TheAs regards the information referred to in paragraph 4 shall be given as follows:</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>5. TheAs regards the information referred to in paragraph 4 shall be given as follows:</p>	<p>203</p>
<p>(a) with regard to the tables referred to in point (g) and as concerns the support from external financing instruments of the Union, those funds shall be set out as follows:</p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p>(a) with regard to, for the tables referred to in point (g) and as concerns the support from external financing instruments of the Union, those funds shall be set out as follows:</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>(a) with regard to, for the tables referred to in point (g) and as concerns the support from external financing instruments of the Union, those funds</p>	<p>204</p>
<p>(i) for external cross-border Interreg programmes supported by IPA III and NDICI as a single amount ('IPA III CBC' or 'Neighbourhood CBC' combining the contribution from [Heading 2 Cohesion and Values, sub-ceiling Economic, social and territorial cohesion] and [Heading 6 Neighbourhood and the World];</p>	<p><i>[no change]</i></p>	<p>(i)a) for external cross-border Interreg programmes supported by IPA III and NDICI as a single amount ('IPA III CBC' or 'Neighbourhood CBC' combining the contribution from [Heading 2 Cohesion and Values, sub-ceiling Economic, social and territorial cohesion] and [Heading 6 Neighbourhood and the World];</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>(i)a) for external cross-border Interreg programmes supported by IPA III and NDICI as a single amount ('IPA III CBC' or 'Neighbourhood CBC' combining the contribution from [Heading 2 Cohesion and Values, sub-ceiling Economic, social and territorial cohesion] and [Heading 6</p>	<p>205</p>

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			Neighbourhood and the World];	
(ii) for component 2 and 4 Interreg programmes supported by IPA III, NDICI or the OCTP as a single amount ('Interreg funds') combining the contribution from [Heading 2] and [Heading 6] or split per financing instrument 'ERDF', 'IPA III', 'NDICI' and 'OCTP', pursuant to the choice of the programme partners;	<i>[no change]</i>	(iib) for component 2 strand B and 4C Interreg programmes supported by IPA III, NDICI or the OCTP as a single amount ('Interreg funds') combining the contribution from [Heading 2] and [Heading 6] or split per financing instrument 'ERDF', 'IPA III', 'NDICI' and 'OCTP', pursuant to the choice of the programme partners;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (iib) for component 2 Interreg B and 4C programmes supported by IPA III, NDICI or the OCTP as a single amount ('Interreg funds') combining the contribution from [Heading 2] and [Heading 6] or split per financing instrument 'ERDF', 'IPA III', 'NDICI' and 'OCTP', pursuant to the choice of the programme partners;	206
(iii) for component 2 Interreg programmes supported by OCTP concerning split per financing instrument ('ERDF' and 'OCTP Greenland');	<u>Amendment 103</u> (iii) for component 2 Interreg programmes supported by OCTP concerning split per financing instrument ('ERDF' and 'OCTP Greenland');	(iiic) for component 2 strand B Interreg programmes supported by OCTP concerning split per financing instrument ('ERDF' and 'OCTP Greenland');	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (iiic) for component 2 Interreg B programmes supported by OCTP concerning split per financing instrument ('ERDF' and 'OCTP Greenland');	207
(iv) for component 3 Interreg programmes supported by the NDICI and by the OCTP split per financing instrument ('ERDF', 'NDICI' and 'OCTP', as appropriate).	<i>[no change]</i>	(ivd) for component 3 strand D Interreg programmes supported by the NDICI and by the OCTP split per financing instrument ('ERDF', 'NDICI' and 'OCTP', as appropriate).	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (ivd) for component 3 Interreg D programmes supported by the NDICI and by the OCTP split per financing instrument ('ERDF', 'NDICI' and 'OCTP', as appropriate).	208
(b) with regard to the table referred to in point (g)(ii) of paragraph 4, it shall include the	<u>Amendment 104</u>	(b) with regard to the table referred to in point (g)(ii) of paragraph 4, it shall include the		209

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amounts for the years 2021 to 2025 only.	(b) with regard to the table referred to in point (g)(ii) of paragraph 4, it shall include the amounts for the years 2021 to 2025 only. <i>deleted</i>	amounts for the years 2021 to 2025 only.		
6. With regard to point (e)(vi) and (f) of paragraph 4, the types of intervention shall be based on a nomenclature set out in Annex [I] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	[no change]	6. With regard to point (e)(vi) (ii) and (iii) and (f) of paragraph 4, the types of intervention shall be based on a nomenclature set out in Annex [I] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR] ²⁹ .		210
7. The Interreg programme shall:	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	211
(a) identify the managing authority, the audit authority and the body to which payments are to be made by the Commission;	[no change]	(a) identify the managing authority, the audit authority programme authorities and the body to which payments are to be made by the Commission;	Provisional common understanding (a) identify the managing authority, the audit authority programme authorities and the body to which payments are to be made by the Commission;	212
(b) lay down the procedure for setting up the joint secretariat;	<u>Amendment 105</u> (b) lay down the procedure	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [EP amendment 105 withdrawn]	213

²⁹ **Council position:** Code 135 in Annex I CPR covers article 14.4, whereas a separate code could be proposed for Article 14.5. This will require an adjustment of the Annex I CPR.

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	for setting up the joint secretariat <i>and, where applicable, supporting management structures in the Member States or third countries;</i>		<i>[No change]</i>	
(c) set out the apportionment of liabilities among the participating Member States and, where applicable, third or partner countries or OCTs, in the event of financial corrections imposed by the managing authority or the Commission.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	214
8. The managing authority shall communicate to the Commission any changes in the information referred to in point (a) of paragraph 7 without requiring a programme amendment.	<i>[no change]</i>	8. The managing authority shall communicate to the Commission any changes in the information referred to in point (a) and (b) of paragraph 7 without requiring a programme amendment.	Provisional common understanding 8. The managing authority shall communicate to the Commission any changes in the information referred to in point (a) and (b) of paragraph 7 without requiring a programme amendment.	215
		8bis. With regard to an Interreg programme under strands A, B or D where the latter covers long borders with heterogenous development challenges and needs, Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may define sub-	Provisional common understanding 8bis. With regard to an Interreg programme under strands A, B or D programme, where the latter an A programme covers long borders with heterogeneous development challenges and needs, Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an	216

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		programme areas.	Interreg programme may define sub-programme areas. [Moved from row 525]	
9. By way of derogation from paragraph 4, the content of component 4 Interreg programmes shall be adapted to the specific character of those Interreg programmes, in particular as follows:	[no change]	9. By way of derogation from paragraph 4, the content of component 4 Interreg INTERACT and ESPON programmes shall be adapted to the specific character of those Interreg programmes, in particular as follows:	Provisional common understanding By way of derogation from paragraph 4, the content of Interreg C programmes shall be adapted to the specific character of those Interreg programmes, in particular as follows:	217
(a) the information referred to in point (a) is not required;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	218
(b) the information required under points (b) and (h) shall be given as a short outline;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	219
(c) for each specific objective under any priority other than technical assistance, the following information shall be given:	[no change]	(c) for each specific objective under any priority other than technical assistance, the following information shall be given:	Provisional common understanding (c) for each specific objective under any priority other than technical assistance, the following information shall be given:	220

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(i) the definition of a single beneficiary or a limited list of beneficiaries and the granting procedure;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding (i) with regard to INTERACT and ESPON , the definition of a single beneficiary or a limited list of beneficiaries and the granting procedure;	221
(ii) the related types of actions and their expected contribution to the specific objectives;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	222
(iii) output indicators and result indicators with the corresponding milestones and targets;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	223
(iv) the main target groups;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	224
(v) an indicative breakdown of the programmed resources by type of intervention.	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	225
<i>Article 18 Approval of Interreg programmes³⁰</i>	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	226

³⁰ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.
Recital 34 is linked to article 8(1)-(2), 10(1), 11, 18(4), and 19(4).
Recital 35, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 18(4)-(5) and 19(4).

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<p>1. The Commission shall assess each Interreg programme and its compliance with Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Regulation and, in the case of support from an external financing instrument of the Union and where relevant, its consistency with the multi-annual strategy document under Article 10(1) or the relevant strategic programming framework under the respective basic act of one or more of those instruments.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 106</u></p> <p>1. The Commission shall assess with full transparency each Interreg programme and its compliance with Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Regulation and, in the case of support from an external financing instrument of the Union and where relevant, its consistency with the multi-annual strategy document under Article 10(1) of this Regulation or the relevant strategic programming framework under the respective basic act of one or more of those instruments.</p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>1. The Commission shall assess each Interreg programme and its compliance with Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Regulation and, in the case of support from an external financing instrument of the Union and where relevant, its consistency with the multi-annual strategy document under Article 10(1) of this Regulation or the relevant strategic programming framework under the respective basic act of one or more of those instruments.</p>	<p>227</p>
<p>2. The Commission may make observations within three months of the date of submission of the Interreg programme by the Member State hosting the prospective managing authority.</p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>[No change]</p>	<p>228</p>

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3. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third or partner countries or OCTs shall review the Interreg programme taking into account the observations made by the Commission.	<u>Amendment 107</u> 3. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third or partner countries, or OCTs OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations shall review the Interreg programme taking into account the observations made by the Commission.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	229
4. The Commission shall adopt a decision by means of an implementing act approving each Interreg programme no later than six months after the date of submission of that programme by the Member State hosting the prospective managing authority.	<u>Amendment 108</u> 4. The Commission shall adopt a decision by means of an implementing act approving each Interreg programme no later than six three months after the date of submission of the revised version of that programme by the Member State hosting the prospective managing authority.	<i>[no change]</i>		230
5. With regard to external cross-border Interreg programmes, the Commission shall adopt its decisions in accordance with paragraph 4 after consultation of the 'IPA III Committee' in accordance with	<i>[no change]</i>	5. With regard to external cross-border Interreg programmes, the Commission shall adopt its decisions in accordance with paragraph 4 after consultation of the 'IPA III Committee' in	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 5. With regard to external cross-border Interreg programmes, the Commission shall adopt its decisions in accordance with	231

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Article [16] of Regulation (EU) [IPA III] and of the 'Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Committee' in accordance with Article [36] of Regulation (EU) [NDICI].		accordance with Article [16] of Regulation (EU) [IPA III] and of the 'Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Committee' in accordance with Article [3635] of Regulation (EU) [NDICI].	paragraph 4 after consultation of the 'IPA III Committee' in accordance with Article [16] of Regulation (EU) [IPA III] and of the 'Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Committee' in accordance with Article [3635] of Regulation (EU) [NDICI].	
<i>Article 19 Amendment of Interreg programmes³¹</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding level</i> <i>[No change]</i>	232
1. The Member State hosting the managing authority may submit a motivated request for an amendment of an Interreg programme together with the amended programme, setting out the expected impact of that amendment on the achievement of the objectives.	<u>Amendment 109</u> 1. Following consultation with the local and regional authorities and in compliance with Article 6 of Regulation (EU).../... [new CPR], the Member State hosting the managing authority may submit a motivated request for an amendment of an Interreg programme together with the amended programme, setting out the expected impact of that amendment on the achievement of the objectives.	1. The Member State hosting the managing Managing authority may submit a motivated request for an amendment of an Interreg programme together with the amended programme, setting out the expected impact of that amendment on the achievement of the objectives.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. Following consultation with the programme partners and in compliance with Article 6 of Regulation (EU).../... [new CPR], the Member State hosting the managing managing authority may submit a motivated request for an amendment of an Interreg programme together with the amended programme, setting out the expected impact of that amendment on the achievement of the objectives.	233

³¹ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.
Recital 34 is linked to article 8(1)-(2), 10(1), 11, 18(4), and 19(4).
Recital 35, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 18(4)-(5) and 19(4).

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2. The Commission shall assess the compliance of the amendment with Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Regulation and may make observations within three months of the submission of the amended programme.	<u>Amendment 110</u> 2. The Commission shall assess the compliance of the amendment with Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Regulation and may make observations within three months one month of the submission of the amended programme.	2. The Commission shall assess the compliance of the amendment with Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Regulation and may make observations within three two months of the submission of the amended programme.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. The Commission shall assess the compliance of the amendment with Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Regulation and may make observations within three two months of the submission of the amended programme.	234
3. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries or OCTs shall review the amended programme and take into account the observations made by the Commission.	<u>Amendment 111</u> 3. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries, or OCTs OCTs, or regional integration and cooperation organisations shall review the amended programme and take into account the observations made by the Commission.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	235
4. The Commission shall approve the amendment of a Interreg programme no later than six months	<u>Amendment 112</u>	4. The Commission shall approve the amendment of a Interreg programme no later than	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	236

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after its submission by the Member State.	4. The Commission shall approve the amendment of a Interreg programme no later than six three months after its submission by the Member State.	six four months after its submission by the Member State managing authority .	4. The Commission shall approve the amendment of a Interreg programme no later than six four months after its submission by the Member State managing authority .	
5. The Member State may transfer during the programming period an amount of up to 5% of the initial allocation of a priority and no more than 3% of the programme budget to another priority of the same Interreg programme.	<u>Amendment 113</u> Following consultation with the local and regional authorities and in compliance with Article 6 of Regulation (EU).../... [new CPR], the Member State may transfer during the programming period an amount of up to 5% 10 % of the initial allocation of a priority and no more than 3% 5 % of the programme budget to another priority of the same Interreg programme.	5. The Member State managing authority may transfer during the programming period an amount of up to 5% 10% of the initial allocation of a priority and no more than 3% 5% of the programme budget to another priority of the same Interreg programme.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 5. Following consultation with the programme partners and in compliance with Article 6 of Regulation (EU).../... [new CPR], the Member State managing authority may transfer during the programming period an amount of up to 5% 10% of the initial allocation of a priority and no more than 3% 5% of the programme budget to another priority of the same Interreg programme.	237
Such transfers shall not affect previous years.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	238
They shall be considered to be not substantial and shall not require a decision of the Commission amending the Interreg programme. They shall, however comply with all	<i>[no change]</i>	They The transfer and related changes shall be considered to be not substantial and shall not require a decision of the Commission amending the Interreg programme.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> They The transfer and related changes shall be considered to be not substantial and shall not require a decision of the	239

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regulatory requirements. The managing authority shall submit to the Commission the revised table referred to in point (g)(ii) of Article 17(4).		They shall, however comply with all regulatory requirements. The managing authority shall submit to the Commission the revised table referred to in point (g)(ii) of Article 17(4 +) together with any related changes in the programme ³² .	Commission amending the Interreg programme. They shall, however comply with all regulatory requirements. The managing authority shall submit to the Commission the revised table referred to in point (g)(ii) of Article 17(4 +) together with any related changes in the programme ³³ .	
6. The approval of the Commission shall not be required for corrections of a purely clerical or editorial nature that do not affect the implementation of the Interreg programme. The managing authority shall inform the Commission of such corrections.	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	240
Section II Territorial development	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	241
Article 20 Integrated territorial development ³⁴	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding	242

³² **Council position:** This amendment requires Article 19.5 CPR to be amended accordingly for consistency purposes.

³³ **Council position:** This amendment requires Article 19.5 CPR to be amended accordingly for consistency purposes.

³⁴ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.

Recital 27, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 20, 23(6), 24(2) and 44(4).

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			<i>[No change]</i>	
For Interreg programmes, the relevant urban, local or other territorial authorities or bodies responsible for drawing up territorial or local development strategies as listed in Article [22] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or responsible for the selection of operations to be supported under those strategies as referred to in Article [23(4)] of that Regulation or for both shall be either cross-border legal bodies or EGTCs.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> For Interreg programmes, the relevant urban, local or other territorial authorities or bodies responsible for drawing up territorial or local development strategies as listed in Article [22] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or involved in responsible for the selection of operations to be supported under those strategies as referred to in Article [23(4)] of that Regulation or for both shall be either cross-border legal bodies or EGTCs. shall represent at least two participating countries, of which at least one is a Member State.	243
A cross-border legal body or an EGTC implementing an integrated territorial investment under Article [24] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or another territorial tool under point (c) of Article [22] of that Regulation may also be the sole beneficiary pursuant to Article 23(5) of this Regulation, provided that there is a separation of function inside the cross-border legal body or the EGTC.	<i>[no change]</i>	A cross-border legal body or an EGTC implementing an integrated territorial investment under Article [24] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or another territorial tool under point (c) of Article [22] of that Regulation may also be the sole beneficiary pursuant to Article 23(5 6) of this Regulation, provided that there is a separation of function inside the cross-border legal body or the EGTC.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> Where a A cross-border legal body or an EGTC implements ing an integrated territorial investment under Article [24] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or another territorial tool under point (c) of Article [22] of that Regulation, it may also be the sole beneficiary pursuant to Article (5 6) of this Regulation, provided that there is a separation of functions inside the cross-border legal body or the EGTC.	244

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<i>Article 21</i> <i>Community-led local development</i> ³⁵	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	245
Community-led local development ('CLLD') under point (b) of Article [22] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] may be implemented in Interreg programmes, provided that the relevant local action groups are composed of representatives of public and private local socio-economic interests, in which no single interest group controls the decision-making, and of at least two participating countries, of which at least one is a Member State.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	246
Section III Operations and small project funds	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	247
<i>Article 22</i> <i>Selection of Interreg operations</i> ³⁶	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	248

³⁵ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.

³⁶ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.
Recital 30, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 22(6), 50 and 58(5)(f).

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			[No change]	
1. Interreg operations shall be selected in accordance with the programme's strategy and objectives by a monitoring committee set up in accordance with Article 27.	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	249
That monitoring committee may set up one or, in particular in the case of sub-programmes, more steering committees which act under its responsibility for the selection of operations.	<u>Amendment 114</u> That monitoring committee may set up one or, in particular in the case of sub-programmes, more steering committees which act under its responsibility for the selection of operations. Steering committees shall apply the partnership principle as set out in Article 6 of Regulation (EU).../... [new CPR] and shall involve partners from all participating Member States.	[no change]	Provisional common understanding That monitoring committee may set up one or, in particular in the case of sub-programmes, more steering committees which act under its responsibility for the selection of operations. Steering committees shall apply the partnership principle as set out in Article 6 of Regulation (EU).../... [new CPR].	250
Where all or part of an operation is implemented outside the programme area [inside or outside the Union], the selection of that operation shall require the explicit approval by the managing authority in the monitoring committee or, where applicable, the steering committee.	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	251

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		<p>When the operation involves one or several partners located in the territory of a Member State, third country, partner country or OCT which is not represented in the monitoring committee, the managing authority shall condition its explicit approval to the submission of a written acceptance by the concerned Member State, third country, partner country or OCT to reimburse any amounts unduly paid to these partners, in accordance with Article 50(2).</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>When the operation involves one or several partners located in the territory of a Member State, third country, partner country or OCT which is not represented in the monitoring committee, the managing authority shall condition its explicit approval to the submission of a written acceptance by the concerned Member State, third country, partner country or OCT to reimburse any amounts unduly paid to these partners, in accordance with Article 50(2).</p>	252
		<p>When the written acceptance referred to in the previous sub-paragraph cannot be obtained, require that the body implementing all or part of an operation outside the programme area takes a guarantee by a bank or another financial institution for the corresponding amount of the Interreg funds granted. This guarantee shall be included in the document under paragraph 6.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>"When the written acceptance referred to in the previous sub-paragraph cannot be obtained, require that the body implementing all or part of an operation outside the programme area shall obtain takes a guarantee by from a bank or another financial institution for the corresponding amount of the Interreg funds granted. This guarantee shall be included in the document under paragraph 6."</p>	253

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2. For the selection of operations, the monitoring committee or, where applicable, the steering committee shall establish and apply criteria and procedures which are non-discriminatory and transparent, ensure gender equality and take account of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the principle of sustainable development and of the Union policy on the environment in accordance with Article 11 and Article 191(1) of the TFEU.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	254
The criteria and procedures shall ensure the prioritisation of operations to be selected with a view to maximise the contribution of Union funding to the achievement of the objectives of the Interreg programme and to implementing the cooperation dimension of operations under Interreg programmes, as set out in Article 23(1) and (4).	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	255
3. The managing authority shall consult the Commission and take its comments into account prior to the initial submission of the selection criteria to the monitoring committee or, where applicable, the steering committee. The same shall apply for any subsequent changes to those	<u>Amendment 115</u> 3. The managing authority shall consult <i>notify</i> the Commission and take its comments into account prior to the initial submission of the selection criteria to the monitoring committee or, where applicable, the	3. The managing authority shall consult the Commission and take its comments into account prior to the initial submission of the selection criteria to the monitoring committee or, where applicable, the steering committee. The same shall apply for any subsequent changes		256

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criteria.	steering committee. The same shall apply for any subsequent changes to those criteria.	to those criteria.		
4. In selecting operations, the monitoring committee or, where applicable, the steering committee shall:	<u>Amendment 116</u> 4. In selecting operations Before the monitoring committee or, where applicable, the steering committee selects operations, the managing authority shall:	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [EP amendment 116 withdrawn] [No change]	257
(a) ensure that selected operations comply with the Interreg programme and provide an effective contribution to the achievement of its specific objectives;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	258
(b) ensure that selected operations do not conflict with the corresponding strategies established under Article 10(1) or established for one or more of the external financing instruments of the Union;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	259
(c) ensure that selected operations present the best relationship between the amount of support, the activities undertaken and the achievement of objectives;	[no change]	(c) ensure that selected operations present the best relationship between the amount of support, the activities undertaken and the achievement of objectives;		260

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(d) verify that the beneficiary has the necessary financial resources and mechanisms to cover operation and maintenance costs;	<i>[no change]</i>	(d) verify satisfy itself that the beneficiary has the necessary financial resources and mechanisms to cover operation and maintenance costs;		261
(e) ensure that selected operations which fall under the scope of Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council ³⁷ are subject to an environmental impact assessment or a screening procedure, on the basis of the requirements of that Directive as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council ³⁸ .	<i>[no change]</i>	(e) ensure that selected operations which fall under the scope of Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council³⁷ are subject to an environmental impact assessment or a screening procedure, on the basis of the requirements of that Directive as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council³⁸.		262
(f) verify that where the operations have started before the submission of an application for funding to the managing authority, the applicable law has been complied with;	<i>[no change]</i>	(f) verify satisfy itself that where the operations have started before the submission of an application for funding to the managing authority, the applicable law has been complied with;		263

³⁷ Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment (OJ L 26, 28.1.2012, p. 1).

³⁸ Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 amending Directive 2011/92/EU (OJ L 124, 25.4.2014, p. 1).

³⁹ Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment (OJ L 26, 28.1.2012, p. 1).

⁴⁰ Directive 2014/52/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 amending Directive 2011/92/EU (OJ L 124, 25.4.2014, p. 1).

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(g) ensure that selected operations fall within the scope of the Interreg fund concerned and are attributed to a type of intervention;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	264
(h) ensure that operations do not include activities which were part of an operation subject to relocation in accordance with Article [60] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or which would constitute a transfer of a productive activity in accordance with [point (a) of Article 59(1)] of that Regulation.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	265
(i) ensure that selected operations are not affected by a reasoned opinion by the Commission in respect of an infringement under Article 258 of the TFEU that puts at risk the legality and regularity of expenditure or the performance of operations;	<i>[no change]</i>	i) ensure that selected operations are not directly affected by a reasoned opinion by the Commission in respect of an infringement under Article 258 of the TFEU that puts at risk the legality and regularity of expenditure or the performance of operations ;		266
(j) ensure the climate proofing of investments in infrastructure with an expected lifespan of at least five years.	<i>[no change]</i>	(j) ensure the climate proofing of that, for investments in infrastructure with an expected lifespan of at least five years, an assessment of expected impacts of climate change is carried out.		267

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5. The monitoring committee or, where applicable, the steering committee shall approve the methodology and criteria used for the selection of Interreg operations, including any changes thereto, without prejudice to [point (b) of Article 27(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] with regard to CLLD and to Article 24 of this Regulation.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	268
6. For each Interreg operation, the managing authority shall provide a document to the lead or sole partner setting out the conditions for support of that Interreg operation, including the specific requirements concerning the products or services to be delivered, its financing plan, time-limit for its execution and, where applicable, the method to be applied for determining the costs of the operation and the conditions for payment of the grant.	<i>[no change]</i>	6. For each Interreg operation, the managing authority shall provide a document to the lead or sole partner setting out the conditions for support of that Interreg operation, including the specific requirements concerning the products or services to be delivered, its financing plan, time-limit for its execution and, where applicable, the method to be applied for determining the costs of the operation and the conditions for payment of the grant support .	Provisional common understanding 6. For each Interreg operation, the managing authority shall provide a document to the lead or sole partner setting out the conditions for support of that Interreg operation, including the specific requirements concerning the products or services to be delivered, its financing plan, time-limit for its execution and, where applicable, the method to be applied for determining the costs of the operation and the conditions for payment of the grant support .	269
That document shall also set out the lead partner's obligations with regard to recoveries pursuant to Article 50. Those obligations shall be defined by the monitoring committee. However, a lead partner located in a different	<u>Amendment 117</u> That document shall also set out the lead partner's obligations with regard to recoveries pursuant to Article 50. Those obligations	That document shall also set out the lead partner's obligations with regard to recoveries pursuant to Article 50. Those obligations shall be defined by the monitoring committee. However, a lead partner		270

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Member State, third country, partner country or OCT from the partner shall not be obliged to recover through a judicial procedure.	<i>Procedures related to recoveries</i> shall be defined <i>and agreed</i> by the monitoring committee. However, a lead partner located in a different Member State, third country, partner country or OCT from the partner shall not be obliged to recover through a judicial procedure.	located in a different Member State, third country, partner country or OCT from the partner shall not be obliged to recover through a judicial procedure.		

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<i>Article 23 Partnership within Interreg operations⁴¹</i>	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	271
1. Operations selected under components 1, 2 and 3 shall involve actors from at least two participating countries, at least one of which shall be a beneficiary from a Member State.	<u>Amendment 118</u> Operations selected under components 1, 2 and 3 shall involve actors from at least two participating countries <i>or OCTs</i> , at least one of which shall be a beneficiary from a Member State.	1. Operations selected under components 1, 2 Interreg strands A, B and 3D shall involve actors from at least two participating countries, at least one of which shall be a beneficiary from a Member State.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. Operations selected under components 1, 2 Interreg A, B and 3D programmes shall involve actors from at least two participating countries or OCTs , at least one of which shall be a beneficiary from a Member State.	272
		Operations selected under the Interreg Europe and URBACT programmes shall involve actors from at least three participating countries, at least two of which shall be beneficiaries from Member States.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> Operations selected under the Interreg Europe and URBACT programmes shall involve actors from at least three participating countries, at least two of which shall be beneficiaries from Member States.	273

⁴¹ Recital 14, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to art. 6, 10(5), 16(5), 23 (4) and 60.
Recital 18, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 14(2), 23(3), 44(3), 53(1), and 59(3).
Recital 22, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 23, 25.
Recital 27, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 20, 23(6), 24(2), and 44(4).

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Beneficiaries receiving support from an Interreg fund and partners which do not receive any financial support under those funds (beneficiaries and partners together: 'partners') constitute an Interreg operation partnership.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	274
2. An Interreg operation may be implemented in a single country, provided that the impact on and the benefits for the programme area are identified in the operation application.	<u>Amendment 119</u> 2. An Interreg operation may be implemented in a single country <i>or OCT</i> , provided that the impact on and the benefits for the programme area are identified in the operation application.	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding 2. An Interreg operation may be implemented in a single country <i>or OCT</i> , provided that the impact on and the benefits for the programme area are identified in the operation application.	275
3. Paragraph 1 shall not apply to operations under the PEACE PLUS programme in where the programme is acting in support of peace and reconciliation.	<i>[no change]</i>	[3. Paragraph 1 shall not apply to operations under the PEACE PLUS programme in where the programme is acting in support of peace and reconciliation.]	Provisional common understanding [3. Paragraph 1 shall not apply to operations under the PEACE PLUS programme in where the programme is acting in support of peace and reconciliation.]	276
4. Partners shall cooperate in the development, implementation, staffing and financing of Interreg operations.	<u>Amendment 120</u> Partners shall cooperate in the development <i>and</i> implementation staffing and financing of Interreg operations, <i>as well as in the</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding Partners shall cooperate in the development and implementation staffing and financing of Interreg operations, as well as in the staffing or financing or both thereof.	277

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	<i>staffing and/or financing thereof. An effort shall be made to limit the number of partners for each Interreg operation to no more than ten.</i>		<i>Linked to amendment in recital (3), row 697.</i>	
For Interreg operations under component 3 Interreg programmes, the partners from outermost regions and third countries, partner countries or OCTs shall be required to cooperate only in three of the four dimensions listed in the first subparagraph.	<u>Amendment 121</u> For Interreg operations under component 3 Interreg programmes, the partners from outermost regions and third countries, partner countries or OCTs shall be required to cooperate only in three two of the four dimensions listed in the first subparagraph.	For Interreg operations under component 3 Interreg strand D programmes, the partners from outermost regions and third countries, partner countries or OCTs shall be required to cooperate only in three two of the four dimensions listed in the first subparagraph.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> For Interreg operations under component 3 Interreg D programmes, the partners from outermost regions and third countries, partner countries or OCTs shall be required to cooperate only in three two of the four dimensions listed in the first subparagraph.	278
5. Where there are two or more partners, one of them shall be designated by all the partners as the lead partner.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	279
6. A cross-border legal body or an EGTC may be the sole partner of an Interreg operation under component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg programmes, provided that the members thereof involve partners from at least two participating countries.	<u>Amendment 122</u> A cross-border legal body or an EGTC may be the sole partner of an Interreg operation under component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg programmes, provided that the members thereof involve partners from at least two	6. A cross-border legal body or an EGTC may be the sole partner of an Interreg operation under component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg strands A, B and D programmes and under the ESPON programme , provided that the members thereof involve partners from at least two participating	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 6. A cross-border legal body or an EGTC may be the sole partner of an Interreg operation under component 1, 2 and 3 Interreg A, B and D programmes, provided that the members thereof involve partners from at least two participating	280

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	participating countries <i>or OCTs</i> .	countries.	countries.	
The cross-border legal body or EGTC shall have members from at least three participating countries under component 4 Interreg programmes.	<i>[no change]</i>	The cross-border legal body or EGTC shall have members from at least three participating countries under component 4 the Interreg Europe and URBACT programmes.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> The cross-border legal body or EGTC shall have members from at least three participating countries under component 4 the Interreg Europe and URBACT programmes.	281
A legal body that implements a financial instrument or a fund of funds, as applicable, may be the sole partner of an Interreg operation without the application of the requirements for its composition set out in paragraph 1.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	282
7. A sole partner shall be registered in a Member State participating in the Interreg programme.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	283
However, a sole partner may be registered in a Member State not participating in that programme, provided the conditions set out in Article 23 are satisfied.	<u>Amendment 123</u> However, a sole partner may be registered in a Member State not participating in that programme, provided the conditions set out in Article 23 are satisfied. deleted	However, a sole partner may be registered in a Member State not participating in that programme, provided the conditions set out in Article 23 are satisfied.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> However, a sole partner may be registered in a Member State not participating in that programme, provided the conditions set out in Article 23 are satisfied.	284

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<i>Article 24 Small project funds⁴²</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	285
1. The contribution from the ERDF or, where applicable, an external financing instrument of the Union, to a small project fund within an Interreg programme shall not exceed EUR 20 000 000 or 15% of the total allocation of the Interreg programme, whichever is lower.	<u>Amendment 124</u> The total contribution from the ERDF or, where applicable, an external financing instrument of the Union, to a one or more small project fund funds within an Interreg programme shall not exceed EUR 20 000 000 or 15% 20 % of the total allocation of the Interreg programme whichever is lower. and shall, in the case of an Interreg programme for cross-border cooperation, be at least 3 % of the total allocation.	1. The contribution from the ERDF or, where applicable, an external financing instrument of the Union, to a small project fund funds within an Interreg programme shall not exceed EUR 20 000 000 or 15% of the total allocation of the Interreg programme, whichever is lower.		286
The final recipients within a small project fund shall receive support from the ERDF or, where applicable the external financing instruments of the Union through the beneficiary and implement the small projects	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	287

⁴² Recital 23, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 24, 35(5).
Recital 27, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 20, 23(6), 24(2), and 44(4).

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within that small project fund ('small project').				
2. The beneficiary of a small project fund shall be a cross-border legal body or an EGTC.	<u>Amendment 125</u> 2. The beneficiary of a small project fund shall be a cross-border public or private law body, an entity with or without legal body or an EGTC personality or a natural person, that is responsible for initiating or both initiating and implementing operations.	2. The beneficiary of a small project fund shall may be a cross-border legal body or an EGTC.		288
		When the beneficiary is not a cross-border legal body or an EGTC, it shall have legal personality.		289
3. The document setting out the conditions for support to a small project fund shall, in addition to the elements laid down in Article 22(6) set out the elements necessary to ensure that the beneficiary:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	290
(a) establishes a non-discriminatory and transparent selection procedure;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	291
(b) applies objective criteria for the selection of small projects, which	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding	292

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avoid conflicts of interest;			<i>[No change]</i>	
(c) assesses applications for support;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	293
(d) selects projects and fixes the amount of support for each small project;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	294
(e) is accountable for the implementation of the operation and keeps at its level all supporting documents required for the audit trail in accordance with Annex [XI] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	295
(f) makes available to the public the list of the final recipients which benefit from the operation.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	296
The beneficiary shall ensure that the final recipients comply with the requirements set out in Article 35.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	297
4. The selection of small projects shall not constitute a delegation of tasks from the managing authority to an intermediate body as referred to in Article [65(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	298

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		4bis Selection of small project funds shall take into account the function carried out by the beneficiary, its remuneration and shall be done in accordance with applicable rules.		299
5. Staff and indirect costs generated at the level of the beneficiary for the management of the small project fund shall not exceed 20% of the total eligible cost of the respective small project fund.	<u>Amendment 126</u> 5. Staff and other direct costs corresponding to the cost categories in Articles 39 to 42, as well as indirect costs generated at the level of the beneficiary for the management of the small project fund or funds , shall not exceed 20 % of the total eligible cost of the respective small project fund or funds .	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 5. Staff and other costs corresponding to the cost categories in Articles 38 to 42 indirect costs generated at the level of the beneficiary for the management of the small project fund or funds , shall not exceed 20 % of the total eligible cost of the respective small project fund or funds .	300
6. Where the public contribution to a small project does not exceed EUR 100 000, the contribution from the ERDF or, where applicable, an external financing instrument of the Union shall take the form of unit costs or lump sums or include flat rates, except for projects for which the support constitutes State aid.	<u>Amendment 127</u> Where the public contribution to a small project does not exceed EUR 100 000, the contribution from the ERDF or, where applicable, an external financing instrument of the Union shall take the form of unit costs or lump sums or include flat rates. except for projects for which the support constitutes State aid.	<i>[no change]</i>		301

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	<p><u>Amendment 128</u></p> <p><i>Where the total costs of each operation do not exceed EUR 100 000, the amount of support for one or more small projects may be set out on the basis of a draft budget which is established on a case-by-case basis and agreed ex ante by the body selecting the operation.</i></p>		<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>Where the total costs of each project do not exceed EUR 100 000, the amount of support for one or more small projects may be set out on the basis of a draft budget which is established on a case-by-case basis and agreed ex ante by the body managing the small project fund.</p>	302
Where flat-rate financing is used, the categories of costs to which the flat rate is applied may be reimbursed in accordance with [point (a) of Article 48(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	[no change]	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>[No change]</p>	303
<p><i>Article 25</i></p> <p><i>Tasks of the lead partner⁴³</i></p>	[no change]	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>[No change]</p>	304
1. The lead partner shall:	[no change]	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>[No change]</p>	305
(a) lay down the arrangements with the other partners in an	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	306

⁴³ Recital 22, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 23, 25.

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agreement comprising provisions that, inter alia, guarantee the sound financial management of the respective Union fund allocated to the Interreg operation, including the arrangements for recovering amounts unduly paid;			[No change]	
(b) assume responsibility for ensuring implementation of the entire Interreg operation;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	307
(c) ensure that expenditure presented by all partners has been incurred in implementing the Interreg operation and corresponds to the activities agreed between all the partners, and is in accordance with the document provided by the managing authority pursuant to Article 22(6).	[no change]	(c) ensure that expenditure presented by all partners has been incurred paid in implementing the Interreg operation and corresponds to the activities agreed between all the partners, and is in accordance with the document provided by the managing authority pursuant to Article 22(6).	Provisional common understanding (c) ensure that expenditure presented by all partners has been incurred paid in implementing the Interreg operation and corresponds to the activities agreed between all the partners, and is in accordance with the document provided by the managing authority pursuant to Article 22(6).	308
2. If not otherwise specified in the arrangements laid down pursuant to point (a) of paragraph 1 the lead partner shall ensure that the other partners receive the total amount of the contribution from the respective Union fund as quickly as possible and in full. No amount shall be deducted or withheld and no specific charge or other charge with equivalent effect shall be levied that would reduce that amount for the	<u>Amendment 129</u> 2. If not otherwise specified in the arrangements laid down pursuant to point (a) of paragraph 1 the lead partner shall ensure that the other partners receive the total amount of the contribution from the respective Union fund as quickly as possible and in full and within timeframe agreed by all partners	[no change]	Provisional common understanding 2. If not otherwise specified in the arrangements laid down pursuant to point (a) of paragraph 1 the lead partner shall ensure that the other partners receive the total amount of the contribution from the respective Union fund as quickly as possible and in full and within timeframe agreed by all partners and following the same procedure applied in respect of the	309

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other partners.	<i>and following the same procedure applied in respect of the lead partner.</i> No amount shall be deducted or withheld and no specific charge or other charge with equivalent effect shall be levied that would reduce that amount for the other partners.		lead partner. No amount shall be deducted or withheld and no specific charge or other charge with equivalent effect shall be levied that would reduce that amount for the other partners.	
3. Any beneficiary in a Member State, third country, partner country or OCT participating in an Interreg programme may be designated as the lead partner.	<u>Amendment 130</u> Any beneficiary in a Member State third country, partner country or OCT participating in an Interreg programme may be designated as the lead partner.	3. Any beneficiary partner in a Member State, third country, partner country or OCT participating in an Interreg programme may be designated as the lead partner.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 3. Any beneficiary partner in a Member State, third country, partner country or OCT participating in an Interreg programme may be designated as the lead partner.	310
However, Member States, third countries, partner countries or OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may agree that a partner not receiving support from the ERDF or an external financing instrument of the Union may be designated as the lead partner.	<u>Amendment 131</u> However, Member States, third countries, partner countries or OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may agree that a partner not receiving support from the ERDF or an external financing instrument of the Union may be designated as the lead partner. <i>deleted</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> However, Member States, third countries, partner countries or OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may agree that a partner not receiving support from the ERDF or an external financing instrument of the Union may be designated as the lead partner.	311
Section IV	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	312

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Technical assistance			[No change]	
<i>Article 26 Technical assistance⁴⁴</i>	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	313
		1. The amount of the Funds allocated to technical assistance shall be identified as part of the financial allocation of each priority of the programme in accordance with Article 17(4)(g) and shall not take the form of a separate priority or a specific programme.	Provisional common understanding 1. The amount of the Funds allocated to technical assistance shall be identified as part of the financial allocation of each priority of the programme in accordance with Article 17(4)(g) and shall not take the form of a separate priority or a specific programme.	314
1. Technical assistance to each Interreg programme shall be reimbursed as a flat rate by applying the percentages set out in paragraph 2 to the eligible expenditure included in each payment application pursuant to [points (a) or (c) of Article 85(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] as appropriate.	<u>Amendment 132</u> 1. Technical assistance to each Interreg programme shall be reimbursed as a flat rate by applying the percentages set out in paragraph 2 <i>for 2021 and 2022 to the yearly instalments of the pre-financing pursuant to points (a) and (b) of Article 49(2) of this Regulation and then</i> to the eligible expenditure included in each payment application pursuant to [points (a) or (c) of Article 85(3)]	[no change]		315

⁴⁴ Recital 24, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to this article.

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	of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] as appropriate <i>for subsequent years</i> .			
2. The percentage of the ERDF and the external financing instruments of the Union to be reimbursed for technical assistance shall be as follows:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	316
(a) for internal cross-border cooperation Interreg programmes supported by the ERDF: 6%;	<u>Amendment 133</u> (a) for internal cross-border cooperation Interreg programmes supported by the ERDF: 6% 7%;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (a) for internal cross-border cooperation Interreg programmes supported by the ERDF: 6% 7%;	317
(b) for external cross-border Interreg programmes supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC: 10%;	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) for external cross-border strand D programmes and Interreg programmes supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC: 10%;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (b) for external cross-border Interreg D programmes and Interreg programmes supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC: 10%;	318
(c) for component 2, 3 and 4 Interreg programmes, both for the ERDF and, where applicable, for the external financing instruments of the Union: 7%.	<u>Amendment 134</u> (c) for component 2, 3 and 4 Interreg programmes, both for the ERDF and, where applicable, for the external financing instruments of the Union: 7% 8 %.	(c) for component 2, 3 and 4 Interreg programmes strands B and C , both for the ERDF and, where applicable, for the external financing instruments of the Union: 7%.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (c) for component 2, 3 and 4 Interreg B and C programmes, both for the ERDF and, where applicable, for the external financing instruments of the Union: 7% 8 %.	319

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3. For Interreg programmes with a total allocation between EUR 30 000 000 and EUR 50 000 000 the amount resulting from the percentage for technical assistance shall be increased by an additional amount of EUR 500 000. The Commission shall add that amount to the first interim payment.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	320
4. For Interreg programmes with a total allocation below EUR 30 000 000, the amount needed for technical assistance expressed in EUR and the resulting percentage shall be fixed in the Commission decision approving the Interreg programme concerned.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	321
CHAPTER IV Monitoring, evaluation and communication	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		322
Section I Monitoring	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		323

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<i>Article 27 Monitoring committee⁴⁵</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		324
1. The Member States and, where applicable, the third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in that programme shall set up, in agreement with the managing authority, a committee to monitor implementation of the respective Interreg programme ('monitoring committee') within three months of the date of notification to the Member States of the Commission decision adopting an Interreg programme,	<u>Amendment 135</u> 1. The Member States and, where applicable, the third countries, partner countries, and OCTs <i>OCTs or regional integration cooperation organisations</i> participating in that programme shall set up, in agreement with the managing authority, a committee to monitor implementation of the respective Interreg programme ('monitoring committee') within three months of the date of notification to the Member States of the Commission decision adopting an Interreg programme	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding level</i> <i>[No change]</i>	325
2. The monitoring committee shall be chaired by a representative of the Member State hosting the managing authority or of the managing authority.	<u>Amendment 136</u> 2. The monitoring committee shall be chaired by a representative of the Member State hosting the managing authority or	2. The monitoring committee shall be chaired by a representative of the Member State hosting the managing authority or of the managing authority.		326

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	of the managing authority. <i>deleted</i>			
Where the rules of procedure of the monitoring committee establish a rotating chair, the monitoring committee may be chaired by a representative of a third country, partner country or OCT, and co-chaired by a representative of the Member State or of the managing authority, and <i>vice-versa</i> .	Where the rules of procedure of the monitoring committee establish a rotating chair, the monitoring committee may be chaired by a representative of a third country, partner country or OCT, and co-chaired by a representative of the Member State or of the managing authority, and vice-versa.	Where the rules of procedure of the monitoring committee establish a rotating chair, the monitoring committee may be chaired by a representative of a third country, partner country or OCT, and co-chaired by a representative of the Member State or of the managing authority, and vice-versa.		327
3. Each member of the monitoring committee shall have the right to vote.	<i>[no change]</i>	3. Each member of the monitoring committee shall have the right to vote.		328
4. Each monitoring committee shall adopt its rules of procedure during its first meeting.	<i>[no change]</i>	4. Each monitoring committee shall adopt its rules of procedure during its first meeting.		329
The rules of procedure of the monitoring committee and, where applicable, of the steering committee shall prevent any situation of conflict of interest when selecting Interreg operations.	<i>[no change]</i>	The rules of procedure of the monitoring committee and, where applicable, of the steering committee shall prevent include provisions regarding the prevention of any situation of conflict of interest when selecting Interreg operations; the voting rights and the rules for attending the meetings.		330
5. The monitoring committee shall meet at least once a year and	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		331

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shall review all issues that affect the programme's progress towards achieving its objectives.				
6. The managing authority shall publish the rules of procedures of the monitoring committee and all the data and information shared with the monitoring committee on the website referred to in Article 35(2).	<u>Amendment 137</u> 6. The managing authority shall publish the rules of procedures of the monitoring committee and all the, the summary of data and information as well as all the decisions shared with the monitoring committee on the website referred to in Article 35(2).	6. The managing authority shall publish the rules of procedures of the monitoring committee and all the data and information shared with approved by the monitoring committee on the website referred to in Article 35(2).		332
<i>Article 28 Composition of the monitoring committee⁴⁶</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		333
1. The composition of the monitoring committee of each Interreg programme shall be agreed by the Member States and, where applicable, by the third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in that programme and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant authorities, intermediate bodies and representatives of the programme	<u>Amendment 138</u> The composition of the monitoring committee of each Interreg programme shall may be agreed by the Member States and, where applicable, by the third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in that programme and shall ensure aim for a balanced representation of the relevant	1. The composition of the monitoring committee of each Interreg programme shall be agreed by the Member States and, where applicable, by the third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in that programme and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant authorities, including intermediate bodies, and representatives of the		334

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partners referred to in Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] from Member States, third countries, partner countries and OCTs.	authorities, intermediate bodies and representatives of the programme partners referred to in Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] from Member States, third countries, partner countries and OCTs.	programme partners referred to in Article [6] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] from Member States, third countries, partner countries and OCTs.		
The composition of the monitoring committee shall take into account the number of participating Member States, third countries, partner countries and OCTs in the Interreg programme concerned.	<p><u>Amendment 139</u></p> <p>The composition of the monitoring committee shall take into account the number of participating Member States, third countries, partner countries and OCTs in the Interreg programme concerned. <i>deleted</i></p>	<i>[no change]</i>		335
The monitoring committee shall also include representatives of bodies jointly set up in the whole programme area or covering a part thereof, including EGTCs.	<p><u>Amendment 140</u></p> <p>The monitoring committee shall also include representatives of regions and local governments as well as other bodies jointly set up in the whole programme area or covering a part thereof, including EGTCs.</p>	The monitoring committee shall may also include representatives of bodies jointly set up in the whole programme area or covering a part thereof, including EGTCs.		336

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2. The managing authority shall publish a list of the members of the monitoring committee on the website referred to in Article 35(2).	<u>Amendment 141</u> 2. The managing authority shall publish a list of the authorities or bodies appointed as members of the monitoring committee on the website referred to in Article 35(2).	<i>[no change]</i>		337
3. Representatives of the Commission shall participate in the work of the monitoring committee in an advisory capacity.	<u>Amendment 142</u> 3. Representatives of the Commission shall may participate in the work of the monitoring committee in an advisory capacity.	<i>[no change]</i>		338
	<u>Amendment 143</u> 3 a. Representatives of bodies established throughout the area of the programme or which cover a part of it, including EGTCs, may participate in the work of the monitoring committee in an advisory capacity.			339
<i>Article 29 Functions of the monitoring</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		340

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<i>committee</i> ⁴⁷				
1. The monitoring committee shall examine:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		341
(a) the progress in programme implementation and in achieving the milestones and targets of the Interreg programme;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		342
(b) any issues that affect the performance of the Interreg programme and the measures taken to address those issues;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		343
(c) with regard to financial instruments, the elements of the <i>ex ante</i> assessment listed in Article [52(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and the strategy document referred to in Article [53(2)] of that Regulation;	<i>[no change]</i>	(c) with regard to financial instruments, the elements of the <i>ex ante</i> assessment listed in Article [52(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and the strategy document referred to in Article [53(2 1)] of that Regulation;		344
(d) the progress made in carrying out evaluations, syntheses of evaluations and any follow-up given to findings;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		345
(e) the implementation of communication and visibility	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		346

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actions;				
(f) the progress in implementing Interreg operations of strategic importance and, where applicable, of large infrastructure projects;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		347
(g) the progress in administrative capacity building for public institutions and beneficiaries, where relevant.	<u>Amendment 144</u> (g) the progress in administrative capacity building for public institutions and beneficiaries, where relevant and propose any further support measures if necessary.	<i>[no change]</i>		348
2. In addition to its tasks concerning the selection of operations listed in Article 22, the monitoring committee shall approve:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		349
(a) the methodology and criteria used for the selection of operations, including any changes thereto, after consultation with the Commission pursuant to Article 22(2), without prejudice to [points (b), (c) and (d) of Article 27(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];	<u>Amendment 145</u> (a) the methodology and criteria used for the selection of operations, including any changes thereto, after consultation with notifying the Commission pursuant to Article 22(2) of this Regulation, without prejudice to [points (b), (c) and	(a) the methodology and criteria used for the selection of operations, including any changes thereto, after consultation with the Commission pursuant to Article 22(2), without prejudice to [points (b), (c) and (d) of Article 27(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];		350

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	(d)of Article 27(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];			
(b) the evaluation plan and any amendment thereto;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		351
(c) any proposal by the managing authority for the amendment of the Interreg programme including for a transfer in accordance with Article 19(5);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		352
(d) the final performance report.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		353
<i>Article 30 Review⁴⁸</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		354
1. A review may be organised by the Commission to examine the performance of Interreg programmes.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		355
The review may be carried out in writing.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		356
2. At the request of the Commission, the managing authority	<u>Amendment 146</u>	2. At the request of the Commission, the managing		357

⁴⁸ Recital 25 is linked to article.30-34.

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shall, within one month, provide the Commission with the information on the elements listed in Article 29(1):	2. At the request of the Commission, the managing authority shall, within one month three months , provide the Commission with the information on the elements listed in Article 29(1):	authority shall, within one month two months , provide the Commission with the concise and updated information on related to the elements listed in Article 29(1): progress in programme implementation.		
(a) progress in programme implementation and in achieving the milestones and targets, any issues affecting the performance of the respective Interreg programme and the actions taken to address them;	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) — progress in programme implementation and in achieving the milestones and targets, any issues affecting the performance of the respective Interreg programme and the actions taken to address them;		358
(b) progress made in carrying out evaluations, syntheses of evaluations and any follow-up given to findings	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) — progress made in carrying out evaluations, syntheses of evaluations and any follow-up given to findings		359
(c) the progress in the administrative capacity building of public authorities and beneficiaries.	<i>[no change]</i>	(c) — the progress in the administrative capacity building of public authorities and beneficiaries.		360
3. The outcome of the review shall be recorded in agreed minutes.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		361
4. The managing authority shall follow-up issues raised by the Commission and inform the	<i>[no change]</i>	4. The managing authority shall follow-up issues raised by the Commission during the review,		362

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Commission within three months of the measures taken.		which significantly affect the implementation of the programme and inform the Commission within three months of the measures taken.		
<i>Article 31 Transmission of data⁴⁹</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		363
1. Each managing authority shall electronically transmit to the Commission cumulative data for the respective Interreg programme by 31 January, 31 March, 31 May, 31 July, 30 September and 30 November of each year in accordance with the template in Annex [VII] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<u>Amendment 147</u> Each managing authority shall electronically transmit to the Commission cumulative data for the respective Interreg programme pursuant to point (a) of Article 31(2) of this Regulation by 31 January, 31 March, 31 May, 31 July, May and 30 September and 30 November of each year as well as data pursuant to point (b) of Article 31(2) of this Regulation once a year in accordance with the template in Annex [VII] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	1. Each managing authority shall electronically transmit to the Commission cumulative data for the respective Interreg programme by 31 January, 31 March, 31 May 30 April , 31 July, 30 September and 30 November 31 October of each year in accordance with the template in Annex [VII] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR], with the exception of the information required in point (b) of paragraph 2 and in paragraph 3 that should be reported by 31 January and 31 July of each year.		364

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	<u>Amendment 148</u> <i>The transmission of data shall be carried out using existing data-reporting systems insofar as those systems have proven to be reliable during the previous programming period.</i>			365
The first transmission shall be due by 31 January 2022 and the last one by 31 January 2030.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		366
2. The data referred to in paragraph 1 shall be broken down for each priority by specific objective and shall refer to:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		367
(a) the number of selected Interreg operations, their total eligible cost, the contribution from the respective Interreg fund and the total eligible expenditure declared by the partners to the managing authority, all broken down by types of intervention;	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) the number of selected Interreg operations, their total eligible cost, the contribution from the respective Interreg fund and the total eligible expenditure declared by the lead partners to the managing authority, all broken down by types of intervention;		368
(b) the values of output and result indicators for selected Interreg operations and values achieved by	<u>Amendment 149</u>	<i>[no change]</i>		369

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Interreg operations.	(b) the values of output and result indicators for selected Interreg operations and values achieved by <i>finalised</i> Interreg operations.			
3. For financial instruments, data shall also be provided on the following:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		370
(a) eligible expenditure by type of financial product;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		371
(b) the amount of management costs and fees declared as eligible expenditure;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		372
(c) the amount, by type of financial product, of private and public resources mobilised in addition to the Funds;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		373
(d) interest and other gains generated by support from the Interreg funds to financial instruments as referred to in Article 54 of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and resources returned attributable to support from the Interreg funds as referred to in Article 56 of that	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		374

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Regulation.				
		(e) total value of loans, equity or quasi-equity investments in final recipients which were guaranteed with programme resources and which were actually disbursed to final recipients.		375
4. The data submitted in accordance with this Article shall be up-to-date as of the end of the month preceding the month of submission.	[no change]	4. The data submitted in accordance with this Article shall be up-to-date reliable and reflect the data available in the electronic system referred to in Article 66 (1)(e) of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] as of the end of the month preceding the month of submission.		376
5. The managing authority shall publish all the data transmitted to the Commission on the website referred to in Article 35(2).	[no change]	5. The managing authority shall publish or provide a link to all the data transmitted to the Commission on the website referred to in Article 35(2).		377
<i>Article 32 Final performance report⁵⁰</i>	[no change]	[no change]		378
1. Each managing authority shall submit to the Commission a final	[no change]	1. Each managing authority shall submit to the Commission a		379

⁵⁰ Recital 25 is linked to article.30-34.

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performance report on the respective Interreg programme by 15 February 2031.		final performance report on the respective Interreg programme by 15 February [2031-].		
The final performance report shall be submitted using the template established in accordance with Article [38(5)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		380
2. The final performance report shall assess the achievement of programme objectives based on the elements listed in Article 29 with the exception of point (c) of paragraph 1 thereof.	<i>[no change]</i>	2. The final performance report shall assess the achievement of programme objectives based on the elements listed in Article 29 with the exception of point (c) of paragraph 1 and point (d) of paragraph 2 thereof.		381
3. The Commission shall examine the final performance report and inform the managing authority of any observations within five months of the date of receipt of that report. Where such observations are made, the managing authority shall provide all necessary information with regard to those observations and, where appropriate, inform the Commission, within three months, of measures taken. The Commission shall inform the Member State of the acceptance of the report.	<i>[no change]</i>	3. The Commission shall examine the final performance report and inform the managing authority of any observations within five months of the date of receipt of that report that report . Where such observations are made, the managing authority shall provide all necessary information with regard to those observations and, where appropriate, inform the Commission, within three months, of measures taken. The Commission shall inform the Member State of the acceptance of the report managing authority of the acceptance of the report		382

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		within two months after receiving all necessary information from the managing authority. Where the Commission does not inform the managing authority within those deadlines, the report shall be deemed to be accepted.		
4. The managing authority shall publish the final performance report on the website referred to in Article 35(2).	[no change]	[no change]		383
<i>Article 33 Indicators for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg)⁵¹</i>	[no change]	[no change]		384
1. Common output and common result indicators, as set out in Annex [I] to Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], and, where necessary, programme-specific output and result indicators shall be used in accordance with Article [12(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], and point (d)(ii) of Article 17(3) and point (b) of Article 31(2) of this Regulation.	<u>Amendment 150</u> 1. Common output and common result indicators, as set out in Annex [I] to Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], and, where necessary, programme-specific output and result indicators which are found to be most suited to measure progress towards the goals of the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) programme , shall be used in accordance with Article [12(1)] of Regulation (EU)	1. Common output and common result indicators, as set out in Annex [I] to Regulation (EU) [new ERDF], and, where necessary, programme-specific output and result indicators shall be used in accordance with Article [12(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], and point (d)(ii) of Article 17(3) and point (b) of Article 31(2) of this Regulation.		385

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	[new CPR], and point (d) (e)(ii) of Article 17(3) 17(4) and point (b) of Article 31(2) of this Regulation.			
	<u>Amendment 151</u> <i>1 a. Where necessary and in cases duly justified by the managing authority, programme-specific output and result indicators shall be used in addition to the indicators which were selected in accordance with the paragraph 1 .</i>			386
2. For output indicators, baselines shall be set at zero. The milestones set for 2024 and targets set for 2029 shall be cumulative.	[no change]	[no change]		387
Section II Evaluation and communication	[no change]	[no change]		388
Article 34 Evaluation during the programming period ⁵²	[no change]	[no change]		389
1. The managing authority shall	<u>Amendment 152</u>	1. The managing authority shall		390

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carry out evaluations of each Interreg programme. Each evaluation shall assess the programme's effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and EU added value with the aim to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the respective Interreg programme.	1. The managing authority shall carry out evaluations of each Interreg programme, no more than once a year . Each evaluation shall assess the programme's effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and EU added value with the aim to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the respective Interreg programme.	carry out evaluations of each Interreg programme. Each evaluation shall assess related to one or more of the programme's following criteria: effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, and EU added value with the aim to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the respective Interreg programme. Evaluations may also cover other relevant criteria and may cover more than one Interreg programme.		
2. In addition, the managing authority shall carry out an evaluation for each Interreg programme to assess its impact by 30 June 2029.	<i>[no change]</i>	2. In addition, the managing authority shall carry out an evaluation for each Interreg programme to assess its impact shall be carried out by 30 June 2029.		391
3. The managing authority shall entrust evaluations to functionally independent experts.	<i>[no change]</i>	3. The managing authority Evaluations shall entrust evaluations be entrusted to internal or external experts functionally independent experts .		392
4. The managing authority shall ensure the necessary procedures to produce and collect the data necessary for evaluations.	<u>Amendment 153</u> 4. The managing authority shall aims to ensure the necessary procedures to produce and collect the data necessary for evaluations.	<i>[no change]</i>		393

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5. The managing authority shall draw up an evaluation plan that may cover more than one Interreg programme.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		394
6. The managing authority shall submit the evaluation plan to the monitoring committee no later than one year after the approval of the Interreg programme.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		395
7. The managing authority shall publish all evaluations on the website referred to in Article 35(2).	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		396
<i>Article 35</i> <i>Responsibilities of managing authorities and partners with regard to transparency and communication</i> ⁵³	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		397
1. Each managing authority shall identify a communication officer for each Interreg programme under its responsibility.	<i>[no change]</i>	1. Each managing authority shall identify a communication officer for each Interreg programme under its responsibility ('Interreg programme communication officer'), who may be responsible for more than one programme.		398

⁵³ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.
Recital 23, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 24, 35(5).

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2. The managing authority shall ensure that, within six months of the Interreg programme's approval, there is a website where information on each Interreg programme under its responsibility is available, covering the programme's objectives, activities, available funding opportunities and achievements.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		399
3. Article [44(2) to (7)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] on the responsibilities of the managing authority shall apply.	<u>Amendment 154</u> 3. Article [44(2) to (7) (6)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] on the responsibilities of the managing authority shall apply.	3. Article [44(2) to (76)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] on the responsibilities of the managing authority shall apply.		400
4. Each partner of an Interreg operation or each body implementing a financing instrument shall acknowledge support from an Interreg fund, including resources reused for financial instruments in accordance with Article [56] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], to the Interreg operation by:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		401
(a) providing on the partner's professional website, where such a website exists, a short description of the Interreg operation, proportionate to the level of support provided by	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) providing on the partner's professional official website or social media sites , where such a website exists sites exist , a short description of the Interreg		402

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an Interreg fund, including its aims and results, and highlighting the financial support from the Union;		operation, proportionate to the level of support provided by an Interreg fund, including its aims and results, and highlighting the financial support from the Union Interreg fund ;		
(b) providing a statement highlighting the support from an Interreg fund in a visible manner on documents and communication material relating to the implementation of the Interreg operation, used for the public or for participants;	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) providing a statement highlighting the support from an Interreg fund in a visible manner on documents and communication material relating to the implementation of the Interreg operation, used intended for the general public or for participants;		403
(c) publicly displaying public plaques or billboards as soon as the physical implementation of an Interreg operation involving physical investment or the purchase of equipment starts, the total cost of which exceeds EUR 100 000;	<u>Amendment 155</u> (c) publicly displaying public plaques or billboards as soon as the physical implementation of an Interreg operation involving physical investment or the purchase of equipment starts, the total cost of which exceeds EUR 100 000 50 000 ;	(c) publicly displaying public plaques or billboards as soon as the physical implementation of an Interreg operation involving physical investment or the purchase of equipment starts, the total cost of which exceeds EUR 100 000;		404
(d) for Interreg operations not falling under point (c), publicly displaying at least one printed or electronic display of a minimum size A3 with information about the Interreg operation highlighting the	<u>Amendment 156</u> (d) for Interreg operations not falling under point (c), publicly displaying at least one printed or	(d) for Interreg operations not falling under point (c), publicly displaying at least one printed poster of a minimum size A3 or equivalent electronic display of a minimum size A3 with information		405

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support from an Interreg fund;	<i>and, where applicable</i> , electronic display of a minimum size A3 A2 with information about the Interreg operation highlighting the support from an Interreg fund;	about the Interreg operation highlighting the support from an Interreg fund; except when the beneficiary is a natural person;		
(e) for operations of strategic importance and operations whose total cost exceed EUR 10 000 000 organising a communication event and involving the Commission and the responsible managing authority in a timely manner.	<u>Amendment 157</u> (e) for operations of strategic importance and operations whose total cost exceed EUR 10 000 000 5 000 000 organising a communication event and involving the Commission and the responsible managing authority in a timely manner.	(e) for operations of strategic importance and operations whose total cost exceed EUR 10 000 000 organising a communication event activity and involving the Commission and the responsible managing authority in a timely manner.		406
The term 'Interreg' shall be used next to the emblem of the Union in accordance with Article [42] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	[no change]	[no change]		407
5. For small project funds and financial instruments, the beneficiary shall ensure that final recipients comply with the requirements set out in point (c) of paragraph 4.	[no change]	5. For small project funds and financial instruments , the beneficiary shall ensure that final recipients comply with the requirements set out in point (c) of paragraph 4 except for projects where the total cost is under EUR 10 000.		408

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		<p>For financial instruments, the beneficiary shall acknowledge the origin and ensure the visibility of the Union funding (in particular when promoting the actions and their results), by providing coherent, effective and targeted information to multiple audiences, including the media and the public.</p>		409
<p>6. Where the beneficiary does not comply with its obligations under Article [42] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article, the Member State shall apply a financial correction by cancelling up to 5% of the support from the Funds to the operation concerned.</p>	<p><u>Amendment 158</u></p> <p>6. Where the beneficiary does not comply with its obligations under Article [42] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article, the Member State or does not remedy its omission in good time, the managing authority shall apply a financial correction by cancelling up to 5 % of the support from the Funds to the operation concerned.</p>	<p>6. Where the beneficiary does not comply with its obligations under Article [42] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or paragraphs 14 and 25 of this Article and where remedial actions have not been put into place, the Member State managing authority shall apply a financial correction measures, taking into account the principle of proportionality, by cancelling up to 52% of the support from the Funds to the operation beneficiary concerned.</p>		410
		<p>7. Where the final recipient of a small project fund which implements a project with a total cost above EUR 10.000 does not comply with its obligations under Article [42] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] or paragraphs 4 and 5</p>		411

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		of this Article and where remedial actions have not been put into place, the managing authority shall apply measures, taking into account the principle of proportionality, by cancelling up to 2% of the support from the Funds to the final recipient concerned.		
CHAPTER V Eligibility	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	412
<i>Article 36 Rules on eligibility of expenditure⁵⁴</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	413
1. All or part of an Interreg operation may be implemented outside of a Member State, including outside the Union, provided that the Interreg operation contributes to the objectives of the respective Interreg programme.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	414

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<p>2. Without prejudice to the eligibility rules laid down in Articles [57 to 62] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Articles [4 and 6] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] or in this Chapter, including in acts adopted thereunder, the participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs shall, by a joint decision in the monitoring committee, only establish additional rules on eligibility of expenditure for the Interreg programme on categories of expenditure not covered by those provisions. Those additional rules shall cover the programme area as a whole.</p>	[no change]	<p>2. Without prejudice to the eligibility rules laid down in Articles [57 to 62] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Articles [4 and 6] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] or in this Chapter, including in acts adopted thereunder, the participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs shall, by a joint decision in the monitoring committee, only establish additional rules on eligibility of expenditure for the Interreg programme on categories of expenditure not covered by those provisions. Those additional rules shall cover the Interreg programme-area as a whole.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>2. Without prejudice to the eligibility rules laid down in Articles [57 to 62] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Articles [4 and 6] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] or in this Chapter, including in acts adopted thereunder, the participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs shall, by a joint decision in the monitoring committee, only establish additional rules on eligibility of expenditure for the Interreg programme on categories of expenditure not covered by those provisions. Those additional rules shall cover the Interreg programme-area as a whole.</p>	415
<p>However, where an Interreg programme selects operations based on calls for proposals, those additional rules shall be adopted before the first call for proposals is published. In all other cases, those additional rules shall be adopted before the first operations are selected.</p>	[no change]	<p>However, where an Interreg programme selects operations based on calls for proposals, those additional rules shall be adopted before the first call calls for proposals is are published. In all other cases, those additional rules shall be adopted before the first operations are selected.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>However, where an Interreg programme selects operations based on calls for proposals, those additional rules shall be adopted before the first call calls for proposals is are published. In all other cases, those additional rules shall be adopted before the first operations are selected.</p>	416
<p>3. For matters not covered by the eligibility rules laid down in</p>	[no change]	[no change]	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	417

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Articles [57 to 62] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], Articles [4 and 6] of Regulation (EU) [new ERDF] and this Chapter, including in acts adopted thereunder or in rules established in accordance with paragraph 4, the national rules of the Member State and, where applicable, of the third countries, partner countries and OCTs in which the expenditure is incurred shall apply.			<i>[No change]</i>	
4. In the event of a difference of opinion between the managing authority and the audit authority with regard to the eligibility as such of an Interreg operation selected under the respective Interreg programme, the opinion of the managing authority shall prevail, taking due account of the opinion of the monitoring committee.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	418
5. OCTs shall not be eligible for support from the ERDF under Interreg programmes, but may participate in those programmes under the conditions set out in this Regulation.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	419

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<p><i>Article 37</i> <i>General provisions on eligibility of cost categories</i>⁵⁵</p>	[no change]	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>[No change]</p>	420
<p>1. The participating Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs, may agree in the monitoring committee of an Interreg programme that expenditure falling under one or more of the categories referred to in Articles 38 to 43 shall not be eligible under one or more priorities of an Interreg programme.</p>	[no change]	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>[No change]</p>	421
<p>2. Any expenditure eligible in accordance with this Regulation, paid by or on behalf of an Interreg partner, shall relate to the costs of initiating or initiating and implementing an operation or part of an operation.</p>	[no change]	<p>2. Any expenditure eligible in accordance with this Regulation, paid by or on behalf of an Interreg partner, shall relate to the costs of initiating or initiating and implementing an operation or part of an operation.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>2. Any expenditure eligible in accordance with this Regulation, paid by or on behalf of an Interreg partner, shall relate to the costs of initiating or initiating and implementing an operation or part of an operation.</p>	422
<p>3. The following costs are not eligible:</p>	[no change]	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>[No change]</p>	423

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(a) fines, financial penalties and expenditure on legal disputes and litigation;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	424
(b) costs of gifts, except those not exceeding EUR 50 per gift where related to promotion, communication, publicity or information;	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) costs of gifts, except those not exceeding EUR 50 per gift where related to promotion, communication, publicity or information;	Provisional common understanding (b) costs of gifts, except those not exceeding EUR 50 per gift where related to promotion, communication, publicity or information;	425
(c) costs related to fluctuation of foreign exchange rate.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	426
		4. Where the flat rate provided for in Article 51(1) of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] is used to calculate eligible costs other than direct staff costs of an operation, it shall not be applied to direct staff costs calculated on the basis of a flat rate as referred to in point (c) of Article 38(3).	Provisional common understanding 4. Where the flat rate provided for in Article 51(1) of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] is used to calculate eligible costs other than direct staff costs of an operation, it shall not be applied to direct staff costs calculated on the basis of a flat rate as referred to in point (c) of Article 38(3).	427

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<i>Article 38 Staff costs⁵⁶</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	428
1. Staff costs shall consist of gross employment costs of staff employed by the Interreg partner in one of the following ways:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	429
(a) full time;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	430
(b) part-time with a fixed percentage of time worked per month;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	431
(c) part-time with a flexible number of hours worked per month; or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	432

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(d) on an hourly basis.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	433
2. Staff costs shall be limited to the following:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	434
(a) salary payments related to the activities which the entity would not carry out if the operation concerned was not undertaken, fixed in an employment or work contract, an appointment decision (both hereinafter referred to as 'employment document') or by law, relating to responsibilities specified in the job description of the staff member concerned;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	435
(b) any other costs directly linked to salary payments incurred and paid by the employer, such as employment taxes and social security including pensions as covered by Regulation (EC) No	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	436

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883/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁵⁷ , provided that they are:				
(i) fixed in an employment document or by law;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	437
(ii) in accordance with the legislation referred to in the employment document and with standard practices in the country or the organisation where the individual staff member is actually working or both; and	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	438
(iii) not recoverable by the employer.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	439
With regard to point (a), payments to natural persons working for the Interreg partner under a contract other than an employment or work contract may be assimilated to salary payments and such a contract	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	440

⁵⁷ Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the coordination of social security systems (OJ L 166, 30.4.2004, p.1).

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considered as an employment document.				
3. Staff costs may be reimbursed either:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	441
(a) in accordance with [point (a) of the first subparagraph of Article 48(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] (proven by the employment document and payslips); or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	442
(b) under simplified cost options as set out in [points (b) to (e) of the first subparagraph of Article 48(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR]; or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	443
(c) as a flat rate in accordance with Article [50(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<u>Amendment 159</u> (c) <i>direct staff costs of an operation may be calculated at as a flat rate in accordance with Article [50(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR]. of up to 20 % of the direct costs other than the direct staff costs of that operation, without there being a requirement for the Member State to perform a</i>	(c) as a flat rate of up to 20 % of the direct costs other than the direct staff costs of that operation, without there being a requirement for the Member State to perform a calculation to determine the applicable rate or		444

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	<i>calculation to determine the applicable rate.</i>			
		(d) as an hourly rate in accordance with Article [50(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new2], (3) and (4) of CPR; either for direct staff costs of individuals who work on full-time assignment on the operation or for individuals who work on part-time assignment on the operation under point (b) of paragraph 4 .		445
4. Staff costs related to individuals who work on part-time assignment on the operation, shall be calculated as either:	<i>[no change]</i>	4. Staff costs related to individuals who work on part-time assignment on the operation, shall may be calculated as either:		446
(a) a fixed percentage of the gross employment cost in accordance with Article [50(2)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR]; or	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) a fixed percentage of the gross employment cost in accordance with Article [50(25)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR]; or		447
(b) a flexible share of the gross employment cost, in line with a number of hours varying from one month to the other worked on the operation, based on a time registration system covering 100 % of the working time of the employee.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		448

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5. For part-time assignments under point (b) of paragraph 4, the reimbursement of staff costs shall be calculated on an hourly rate basis determined either by:	<i>[no change]</i>	5. — For part time assignments under point (b) of paragraph 4, the reimbursement of staff costs shall be calculated on an hourly rate basis determined either by:		449
(a) dividing the monthly gross employment cost by the monthly working time fixed in the employment document expressed in hours; or	<u>Amendment 160</u> (a) Dividing the <i>latest documented</i> monthly gross employment cost <i>costs</i> by the monthly working time fixed <i>of the person concerned in accordance with applicable law as referred to in the employment document expressed in hours; contract and paragraph 2 (b) of Article 50 of Regulation (EU) .../[New CPR];</i> or	(a) — dividing the monthly gross employment cost by the monthly working time fixed in the employment document expressed in hours; or		450
(b) dividing the latest documented annual gross employment cost by 1 720 hours in accordance with [paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of Article [50] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<i>[no change]</i>	(b) — dividing the latest documented annual gross employment cost by 1 720 hours in accordance with [paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of Article [50] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].		451
6. As regards staff costs related to individuals who, according to the employment document, work on an hourly basis, such costs shall be eligible applying the number of	<u>Amendment 161</u> 6. As regards staff costs related to individuals who,	6. For part time assignments under staff employed pursuant to point (bd) of paragraph 41, the reimbursement of staff costs shall be calculated on an hourly rate		452

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hours actually worked on the operation to the hourly rate agreed in the employment document based on a working time registration system.	according to the employment document, work on an hourly basis, such costs shall be eligible applying the number of hours actually worked on the operation to the hourly rate agreed in the employment document based on a working time registration system. <i>If not yet included in the agreed hourly rate, salary costs as referred to under point (b) of Article 38 (2) may be added to that hourly rate, in line with applicable national law.</i>	basis determined either shall be multiplied by: As regards staff costs related to individuals who, according to the employment document, work on an hourly basis, such costs shall be eligible applying the number of hours actually worked on the operation to the hourly rate agreed in the employment document based on a working-time registration system.		
<i>Article 39 Office and administrative costs⁵⁸</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	453
Office and administrative costs shall be limited to the following elements:	<u>Amendment 162</u> Office and administrative costs shall be limited to 15 % of total direct costs of an operation and to the following elements:	<i>[no change]</i>		454

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(a) office rent;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	455
(b) insurance and taxes related to the buildings where the staff is located and to the equipment of the office (e.g. fire, theft insurances);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	456
(c) utilities (e.g. electricity, heating, water);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	457
(d) office supplies;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	458
(e) general accounting provided inside the beneficiary organisation;	<i>[no change]</i>	(e) general accounting provided inside the beneficiary organisation;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (e) general accounting provided inside the beneficiary organisation;	459

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(f) archives;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	460
(g) maintenance, cleaning and repairs;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	461
(h) security;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	462
(i) IT systems;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	463
(j) communication (e.g. telephone, fax, internet, postal services, business cards);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	464
(k) bank charges for opening and administering the account or accounts where the implementation of an operation requires a separate account to be opened;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	465

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(l) charges for transnational financial transactions.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	466
		2. Office and administrative costs may be calculated as a fixed percentage of the gross employment cost in accordance with Article [49] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].		467
<i>Article 40</i> <i>Travel and accommodation costs</i> ⁵⁹	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[no change]</i>	468
1. Travel and accommodation costs shall be limited to the following elements:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	469
(a) travel costs (e.g. tickets, travel and car insurance, fuel, car mileage, toll, and parking fees);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	470

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(b) the costs of meals;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	471
(c) accommodation costs;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	472
(d) visa costs;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	473
(e) daily allowances,	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding to be validated at trilogue level</i> <i>[No change]</i>	474
regardless whether such costs are incurred and paid in or outside the programme area.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	475

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2. Any element listed in points (a) to (d) of paragraph 1 covered by a daily allowance shall not be reimbursed in addition to the daily allowance.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	476
3. Travel and accommodation costs of external experts and service providers fall under external expertise and services costs listed in Article 41.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	477
4. Direct payment of expenditure for costs under this Article by an employee of the beneficiary shall be supported by a proof of reimbursement by the beneficiary to that employee.	<u>Amendment 163</u> 4. Direct payment of expenditure for costs under this Article by an employee of the beneficiary shall be supported by a proof of reimbursement by the beneficiary to that employee. <i>That cost category may be used for the travel expenses of operation staff and other stakeholders for the purpose of implementation and promotion of the Interreg operation and Programme.</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		478
5. Travel and accommodation costs of an operation may be calculated at a flat rate of up to 15 % of the direct costs other than the	<u>Amendment 164</u> 5. Travel and	5. Travel and accommodation costs of an operation may be calculated at a flat rate of up to 15 % of the direct costs other than		479

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direct staff costs of that operation.	accommodation costs of an operation may be calculated at a flat rate of up to 15 % of the direct costs other than the direct staff costs of that operation.	the direct staff costs of that operation, without there being a requirement for the Member State to perform a calculation to determine the applicable rate.		
<i>Articles 41 External expertise and services costs⁶⁰</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	480
External expertise and service costs shall be limited to the following services and expertise provided by a public or private law body or a natural person other than the beneficiary of the operation:	Amendment 165 External expertise and service costs shall be composed but not limited to the following services and expertise provided by a public or private law body or a natural person other than the beneficiary, including all partners , of the operation:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> External expertise and service costs shall be limited to the following services and expertise provided by a public or private law body or a natural person other than the beneficiary, including all partners , of the operation:	481
(a) studies or surveys (e.g. evaluations, strategies, concept notes, design plans, handbooks);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	482

⁶⁰ Recital 26 is linked to article 36-43.

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(b) training;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	483
(c) translations;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	484
(d) IT systems and website development, modifications and updates;	<i>[no change]</i>	(d) IT systems and website development, modifications and updates to IT systems and website ;	Provisional common understanding (d) IT systems and website development, modifications and updates to IT systems and website ;	485
(e) promotion, communication, publicity or information linked to an operation or to a cooperation programme as such;	<i>[no change]</i>	(e) promotion, communication, publicity, promotional items and activities or information linked to an operation or to a cooperation programme as such;	Provisional common understanding (e) promotion, communication, publicity, promotional items and activities or information linked to an operation or to a cooperation programme as such;	486
(f) financial management;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	487

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(g) services related to the organisation and implementation of events or meetings (including rent, catering or interpretation);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	488
(h) participation in events (e.g. registration fees);	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	489
(i) legal consultancy and notarial services, technical and financial expertise, other consultancy and accountancy services;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	490
(j) intellectual property rights;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	491
(k) verifications under [point (a) of Article 68(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and Article 45(1) of this Regulation;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	492
(l) costs for the accounting	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	493

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function on programme level under Article [70] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and Article 46 of this Regulation;			<i>[No change]</i>	
(m) audit costs on programme level under Articles [72] and [75] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] under Articles 47 and 48 of this Regulation;	<i>[no change]</i>	(m) audit costs on programme level under Articles [72] and [75] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and under Articles 47 and 48 of this Regulation;	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (m) audit costs on programme level under Articles [72] and [75] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and under Articles 47 and 48 of this Regulation;	494
(n) the provision of guarantees by a bank or other financial institution where required by Union or national law or in a programming document adopted by the monitoring committee;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	495
(o) travel and accommodation for external experts, speakers, chairpersons of meetings and service providers;	<u>Amendment 166</u> (o) travel and accommodation for external experts, speakers, chairpersons of meetings and service providers ;	<i>[no change]</i>		496
(p) other specific expertise and services needed for operations.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	497

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<i>Article 42 Equipment costs⁶¹</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	498
1. Costs for equipment purchased, rented or leased by the beneficiary of the operation other than those covered by Article 39 shall be limited to the following:	<u>Amendment 167</u> 1. Costs for equipment purchased, rented or leased by the beneficiary of the operation other than those covered by Article 39 shall be composed but not limited to the following:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [EP amendment 167 withdrawn] [No change]</i>	499
(a) office equipment;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	500
(b) IT hardware and software;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	501

⁶¹ Recital 26 is linked to article 36-43.

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(c) furniture and fittings;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	502
(d) laboratory equipment;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	503
(e) machines and instruments,	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	504
(f) tools or devices;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	505
(g) vehicles;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	506
(h) other specific equipment needed for operations.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	507
2. Costs for the purchase of second-hand equipment may be eligible subject to the following conditions:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	508
(a) no other assistance has been received for it from the Interreg	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	509

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funds or the Funds listed in [point (a) of Article 1(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];			[No change]	
(b) this price does not exceed the generally accepted price on the market in question;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	510
(c) it has the technical characteristics necessary for the operation and complies with applicable norms and standards.	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	511
<i>Article 43 Costs for infrastructure and works⁶²</i>	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	512
Costs for infrastructure and works shall be limited to the following:	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	513
(a) purchase of land in accordance with [point (c) of Article 58(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];	<u>Amendment 168</u> (a) purchase of land in accordance with [point (c) (b) of Article 58(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];	(a) purchase of land in accordance with [point (c) (eb) of Article 58(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];	Provisional common understanding (a) purchase of land in accordance with [point (c) (eb) of Article 58(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR];	514

⁶² Recital 26 is linked to article 36-43.

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(b) building permits;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	515
(c) building material;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	516
(d) labour;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	517
(e) specialised interventions (e.g. soil remediation, mine-clearing).	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	518
CHAPTER VI Interreg programme authorities, management, control and audit	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	519
<i>Article 44</i> <i>Interreg programme authorities</i> ⁶³	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	520
1. Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner	<u>Amendment 169</u>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	521

⁶³ Recital 18, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 14(2), 23(3), 44(3), 53(1), and 59(3).
Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48, and 52.
Recital 27, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 20, 23(6), 24(2), and 44(4).

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countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall identify, for the purposes of Article [65] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], a single managing authority and a single audit authority.	1. Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries, and OCTs OCTs, and regional integration cooperation organisations participating in an Interreg programme shall identify, for the purposes of Article [65] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], a single managing authority and a single audit authority.		<i>[No change]</i>	
2. The managing authority and the audit authority shall be located in the same Member State.	<u>Amendment 170</u> 2. The managing authority and the audit authority shall may be located in the same Member State.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	522
3. Concerning the PEACE PLUS programme, the Special EU Programmes Body, when identified as the managing authority, shall be considered as located in a Member State.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	523
4. Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may identify an EGTC as managing authority of	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	524

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that programme.				
5. With regard to an Interreg programme under component 2B or under component 1 where the latter covers long borders with heterogenous development challenges and needs, Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may define sub-programme areas.	<u>Amendment 171</u> 5. With regard to an Interreg programme under component 2B or under component 1 where the latter covers long borders with heterogenous development challenges and needs, Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may define sub-programme areas.	5. With regard to an Interreg programme under component 2B or under component 1 where the latter covers long borders with heterogenous development challenges and needs, Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may define sub-programme areas.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 5. With regard to an Interreg programme under component 2B or under component 1 where the latter covers long borders with heterogenous development challenges and needs, Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme may define sub-programme areas. <i>Moved to row 216</i>	525
6. Where the managing authority identifies an intermediate body under an Interreg programme in accordance with Article [65(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], the intermediate body shall carry out those tasks in more than one participating Member State or, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT.	<u>Amendment 172</u> 6. Where the managing authority identifies an one or more intermediate body bodies under an Interreg programme in accordance with Article [65(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], the intermediate body or bodies concerned shall carry out those tasks in more than one participating Member State, or in their respective Member States , or, where applicable, in more than one third country, partner country or OCT.	6. Where the managing authority identifies an intermediate body under an Interreg programme in accordance with Article [65(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], the intermediate body shall carry out those tasks in more than one participating Member State or, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT. Without prejudice to the provisions of Article 22, one or more intermediate bodies may carry out those tasks in only one participating Member State or,	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 6. Where the managing authority identifies an intermediate body under an Interreg programme in accordance with Article [65(3)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], the intermediate body shall carry out those tasks in more than one participating Member State or, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT. Without prejudice to the provisions of Article 22, one or more intermediate bodies may carry out those tasks in only one participating Member State or, where applicable, third country, partner	526

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		where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT where such an approach is based on existing structures.	country or OCT where such an approach is based on existing structures.	
<i>Article 45 Functions of the managing authority⁶⁴</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	527
1. The managing authority of an Interreg programme shall carry out the functions laid down in Articles [66], [68] and [69] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] with the exception of the task of selecting operations referred to in point (a) of Article 66(1) and Article 67 and of payments to beneficiaries referred to in point (b) of Article 68(1). Those functions shall be carried out in the whole of the territory covered by that programme, subject to derogations set out under Chapter VIII of this Regulation.	<i>[no change]</i>	1. The managing authority of an Interreg programme shall carry out the functions laid down in Articles [66], [68] and [69] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] with the exception of the task of selecting operations referred to in point (a) of Article 66 (1) and Article 67 of that Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and, where the accounting function is carried out by a different body pursuant to Article 46 of this Regulation, of payments to beneficiaries referred to in point- (b) of Article 68(1)-) of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] . Those functions shall be carried out in the whole of the territory covered by that programme, subject to derogations set out under Chapter VIII of this Regulation.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 1. The managing authority of an Interreg programme shall carry out the functions laid down in Articles [66], [68] and [69] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] with the exception of the task of selecting operations referred to in point (a) of Article 66 (1) and Article 67 of that Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and, where the accounting function is carried out by a different body pursuant to Article 46 of this Regulation, of payments to beneficiaries referred to in point- (b) of Article 68(1)-) of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] . Those functions shall be carried out in the whole of the territory covered by that programme, subject to derogations set out under Chapter VIII of this Regulation.	528

⁶⁴ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.

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	<p><u>Amendment 173</u></p> <p><i>1 a. By way of derogation from Article 87(2) of Regulation (EU) .../... [new CPR], the Commission shall reimburse as interim payments 100 % of the amounts included in the payment application which result from applying the cofinancing rate of the programme to the total eligible expenditure or to the public contribution, as appropriate.</i></p>			529
	<p><u>Amendment 174</u></p> <p><i>1b. Where the managing authority does not carry out verification under point (a) of Article 68(1) of Regulation (EU) .../... [new CPR] throughout the whole programme area, each Member State shall designate the body or person responsible for carrying out such verification in relation to beneficiaries on its territory.</i></p>	<p>4. By way of derogation to Article 68 (1) from Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and Article 44 (6) , the Member States may decide that the management verifications will be done through the identification by each Member State of a body or person responsible for this verification on its territory.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>4. By way of derogation to Article 68 (1) from Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and Article 44 (6) of this regulation , the Member States, and where applicable , third country, partner country or OCT, participating in the Interreg programme, may decide that the management verifications will be done through the identification by each Member State of a body or person responsible for this verification on its territory.</p>	530
	<p><u>Amendment 175</u></p>		<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p>	531

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	<i>Ic. By way of derogation from Article 92 of Regulation (EU) .../... [new CPR], Interreg programmes are not subject to the annual clearance of accounts. Accounts are cleared at the end of a programme, on the basis of the final performance report.</i>		<i>[EP amendment 175 withdrawn] [deletion]</i>	
2. The managing authority, after consultation with the Member States and, where applicable, any third countries, partner countries or OCTs participating in the Interreg programme, shall set up a joint secretariat, with staff taking into account the programme partnership.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	532
The joint secretariat shall assist the managing authority and the monitoring committee in carrying out their respective functions. The joint secretariat shall also provide information to potential beneficiaries about funding opportunities under Interreg programmes and shall assist beneficiaries and partners in the implementation of operations.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding [No change]</i>	533
3. By way of derogation from [point (c) of Article 70(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR],	<i>[no change]</i>	3. By way of derogation from [point (c) of Article 70(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR],	<i>Provisional common understanding 3. By way of derogation from [point (c)</i>	534

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<p>expenditure paid in another currency shall be converted into euro by each partner using the monthly accounting exchange rate of the Commission in the month during which that expenditure was submitted for verification to the managing authority in accordance with [point (a) of Article 68(1)] of that Regulation.</p>		<p>expenditure paid in another currency shall be converted into euro by each partner beneficiary coming from countries which have not adopted the euro as their currency using the monthly accounting exchange rate of the Commission in the month during which that expenditure was submitted for verification to the managing authority in accordance with [point (a) of Article 68(1)] of that Regulation.</p>	<p>of Article 70(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], expenditure paid in another currency shall be converted into euro by each partner beneficiary coming from countries which have not adopted the euro as their currency using the monthly accounting exchange rate of the Commission in the month during which that expenditure was submitted for verification to the managing authority in accordance with [point (a) of Article 68(1)] of that Regulation.</p>	

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<i>Article 46</i> <i>The accounting function</i> ⁶⁵	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	535
1. Member States and, where applicable, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall agree on the arrangements for carrying out the accounting function.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	536
2. The accounting function shall consist of the tasks listed in [points (a) and (b) of Article 70(1)] of Regulation [new CPR] and shall also cover the payments made by the Commission and, as a general rule, the payments made to the lead partner in accordance with [point (b) of Article 68(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	537
<i>Article 47</i> <i>Functions of the audit authority</i> ⁶⁶	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	538

⁶⁵ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.

Recital 28 on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 46(2), 49(1).

⁶⁶ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.

Recital 29, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 47-48.

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1. The audit authority of an Interreg programme shall carry out the functions provided for in this Article and in Article 48 in the whole of the territory covered by that Interreg programme, subject to the derogations set out in Chapter VIII.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	539
However, a participating Member State may specify when the audit authority is to be accompanied by an auditor from that participating Member State.	<i>[no change]</i>	However, a participating Member State may specify when the audit authority is to be accompanied by an auditor from that participating Member State.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> However, a participating Member State may specify when the audit authority is to be accompanied by an auditor from that participating Member State.	540
		Where the audit authority does not have the authorisation in the whole territory covered by a cooperation programme, it shall be assisted by a group of auditors composed of a representative from each Member State, and, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT, participating in the Interreg programme. Each Member State, and, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT shall be responsible for audits carried out on its territory.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> Where the audit authority does not have the authorisation in the whole territory covered by a cooperation programme, it shall be assisted by a group of auditors composed of a representative from each Member State, and, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT, participating in the Interreg programme. Each Member State, and, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT shall be responsible for audits carried out on its territory.	541
		Each representative from each Member State, and, where applicable, third country, partner	<i>Provisional common understanding</i>	542

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		country or OCT participating in the Interreg programme shall be responsible for providing the factual elements relating to expenditure on its territory that are required by the audit authority in order to perform its assessment.	Each representative from each Member State, and, where applicable, third country, partner country or OCT participating in the Interreg programme shall be responsible for providing the factual elements relating to expenditure on its territory that are required by the audit authority in order to perform its assessment.	
		The group of auditors shall be set up within three months of the decision approving the Interreg programme. It shall draw up its rules of procedure and be chaired by the audit authority for the Interreg programme.	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> The group of auditors shall be set up within three months of the decision approving the Interreg programme. It shall draw up its rules of procedure and be chaired by the audit authority for the Interreg programme.	543
		The auditors shall be functionally independent of bodies or persons responsible for management verifications under Article 45(4).	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> The auditors shall be functionally independent from bodies or persons responsible for management verifications under Article 45(4).	544
2. The audit authority of an Interreg programme shall be responsible for carrying out system audits and audits on operations in order to provide independent assurance to the Commission that management and control systems	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	545

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function effectively and that expenditure included in the accounts submitted to the Commission is legal and regular.				
3. Where an Interreg programme is included in the population from which the Commission selects a common sample under Article 48(1), the audit authority shall carry out audits of operations selected by the Commission in order to provide independent assurance to the Commission that management and control systems function effectively.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	546
4. Audit work shall be carried out in accordance with internationally accepted audit standards.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	547
5. The audit authority shall draw up and submit to the Commission each year by 15 February following the end of the accounting year an annual audit opinion in accordance with Article [63(7)] of Regulation [FR-Omnibus] using the template set out in Annex [XVI] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and based on all audit work carried out, covering each of the following components:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	548
(a) the completeness, veracity and	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding	549

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accuracy of the accounts;			[No change]	
(b) the legality and regularity of the expenditure included in the accounts submitted to the Commission;	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	550
(c) the management and control system of the Interreg programme.	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding [No change]	551
Where the Interreg programme is included in the population from which the Commission selects a sample pursuant to Article 48(1), the annual audit opinion shall only cover the components referred to in points (a) and (c) of the first subparagraph.	[no change]	Where the Interreg programme is included in the population from which the Commission selects a common sample pursuant to Article 48(1), the annual audit opinion shall only cover the components referred to in points (a) and (c) of the first subparagraph.	Provisional common understanding Where the Interreg programme is included in the population from which the Commission selects a common sample pursuant to Article 48(1), the annual audit opinion shall only cover the components referred to in points (a) and (c) of the first subparagraph.	552
The deadline of 15 February may exceptionally be extended by the Commission to 1 March, upon communication by the Member State hosting the managing authority concerned.	[no change]	The deadline of 15 February may exceptionally be extended by the Commission to 1 March, upon communication by the Member State hosting the managing audit authority concerned.	Provisional common understanding The deadline of 15 February may exceptionally be extended by the Commission to 1 March, upon communication by the Member State hosting the managing audit authority concerned.	553
6. The audit authority shall draw up and submit to the Commission each year by 15 February following	[no change]	[no change]	Provisional common understanding	554

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<p>the end of the accounting year an annual control report in accordance with [point (b) of Article 63(5)] of Regulation [FR-Omnibus] using the template set out in Annex [XVII] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and, supporting the audit opinion provided for in paragraph 5 of this Article and setting out a summary of the findings, including an analysis of the nature and extent of any errors and deficiencies in the systems as well as the proposed and implemented corrective actions and the resulting total error rate and residual error rate for the expenditure entered in the accounts submitted to the Commission.</p>			[No change]	
<p>7. Where the Interreg programme is included in the population from which the Commission selects a sample under Article 48(1), the audit authority shall draw up the annual control report referred to in paragraph 6 of this Article and fulfilling the requirements of [point (b) of Article 63(5)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] using the template set out in Annex [XVII] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and supporting the audit opinion provided for in paragraph 5 of this Article.</p>	[no change]	<p>7. Where the Interreg programme is included in the population from which the Commission selects a common sample under Article 48(1), the audit authority shall draw up the annual control report referred to in paragraph 6 of this Article and fulfilling the requirements of [point (b) of Article 63(5)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] using the template set out in Annex [XVII] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and supporting the audit opinion provided for in paragraph 5 of this Article.</p>	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p>7. Where the Interreg programme is included in the population from which the Commission selects a common sample under Article 48(1), the audit authority shall draw up the annual control report referred to in paragraph 6 of this Article and fulfilling the requirements of [point (b) of Article 63(5)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] using the template set out in Annex [XVII] to Regulation (EU) [new CPR] and supporting the audit opinion provided for in paragraph 5 of this Article.</p>	555

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That report shall set out a summary of the findings, including an analysis of the nature and extent of any errors and deficiencies in the systems as well as the proposed and implemented corrective actions, the results of the audits of operations carried out by the audit authority in relation to the common sample referred to in Article 48(1) and the financial corrections applied by the Interreg programme authorities for any individual irregularities detected by the audit authority for these operations.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	556
8. The audit authority shall transmit system audit reports to the Commission as soon as the required contradictory procedure with the relevant auditees is concluded.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	557
9. The Commission and the audit authority shall meet on a regular basis and at least once a year, unless otherwise agreed, to examine the audit strategy, the annual control report and the audit opinion, to coordinate their audit plans and methods and to exchange views on issues relating to the improvement of management and control systems.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	558

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<i>Article 48</i> <i>Audit of operations</i> ⁶⁷	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	559
1. The Commission shall select a common sample of operations (or other sampling units) using a statistical sampling method for the audits of operations to be carried out by the audit authorities for the Interreg programmes receiving support from the ERDF or an external financing instrument of the Union in respect of each accounting year.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	560
The common sample shall be representative for all the Interreg programmes constituting the population.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	561
For the purposes of selecting the common sample, the Commission may stratify groups of Interreg programmes according to their specific risks.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	562
2. The programme authorities shall provide the information necessary for the selection of a	<i>[no change]</i>	2. The programme authorities shall provide the information necessary for the selection of a	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 2. The programme authorities shall	563

⁶⁷ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.
Recital 29, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 47-48.

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common sample to the Commission by 1 September following the end of each accounting year at the latest.		common sample to the Commission by 1 September August following the end of each accounting year at the latest.	provide the information necessary for the selection of a common sample to the Commission by 1 September August following the end of each accounting year at the latest.	
That information shall be submitted in a standardised electronic format, shall be complete and shall reconcile with the expenditure declared to the Commission for the reference accounting year.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	564
3. Without prejudice to the requirement to carry out an audit referred to in Article 47(2), the audit authorities for Interreg programmes covered by the common sample shall not carry out additional audits of operations under those programmes, unless requested by the Commission in accordance with paragraph 8 of this Article or in cases for which an audit authority has identified specific risks.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	565
4. The Commission shall inform the audit authorities of the Interreg programmes concerned of the common sample selected in time to allow those authorities to carry out the audits of operations, in general,	<i>[no change]</i>	4. The Commission shall inform the audit authorities of the Interreg programmes concerned of the common sample selected in time to allow those authorities to carry out the audits of operations, in	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> 4. The Commission shall inform the audit authorities of the Interreg programmes concerned of the common sample selected in time to allow those authorities to carry	566

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by 1 October following the end of each accounting year, at the latest.		general, by 1 October September following the end of each accounting year, at the latest.	out the audits of operations, in general, by 1 October September following the end of each accounting year, at the latest.	
5. The audit authorities concerned shall submit information on the results of these audits as well as on any financial correction taken in relation to individual irregularities detected at the latest in the annual control reports to be submitted to the Commission pursuant to Article 47(6) and (7).	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	567
6. Following its assessment of the results of audits of operations selected pursuant to paragraph 1, the Commission shall calculate a global extrapolated error rate with regard to the Interreg programmes included in the population from which the common sample was selected, for the purposes of its own assurance process.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[No change]</i>	568
7. Where the global extrapolated error rate referred to in paragraph 6 is above 2% of the total expenditure declared for the Interreg programmes included in the population from which the common sample was selected, the Commission shall	<u>Amendment 176</u> 7. Where the global extrapolated error rate referred to in paragraph 6 is above 2% 3.5 % of the total expenditure declared for the Interreg programmes included	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> <i>[EP amendment 176 withdrawn]</i> <i>[No change]</i>	569

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calculate a global residual error rate, taking account of financial corrections applied by the respective Interreg programme authorities for individual irregularities detected by the audits of operations selected pursuant to paragraph 1.	in the population from which the common sample was selected, the Commission shall calculate a global residual error rate, taking account of financial corrections applied by the respective Interreg programme authorities for individual irregularities detected by the audits of operations selected pursuant to paragraph 1.			
8. Where the global residual error rate referred to in paragraph 7 is above 2% of the expenditure declared for the Interreg programmes included in the population from which the common sample was selected, the Commission shall determine whether it is necessary to request the audit authority of a specific Interreg programme or a group of Interreg programmes most affected to carry out additional audit work in order to further evaluate the error rate and assess the required corrective measures for the Interreg programmes affected by the irregularities detected.	<p><u>Amendment 177</u></p> <p>8. Where the global residual error rate referred to in paragraph 7 is above 2% 3.5 % of the expenditure declared for the Interreg programmes included in the population from which the common sample was selected, the Commission shall determine whether it is necessary to request the audit authority of a specific Interreg programme or a group of Interreg programmes most affected to carry out additional audit work in order to further evaluate the error rate and assess the required corrective measures for the Interreg programmes affected by the irregularities detected.</p>	[no change]	<p><i>Provisional common understanding</i></p> <p><i>[EP amendment 177 withdrawn]</i></p> <p><i>[No change]</i></p>	570

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9. Based on the assessment of the results of the additional audit work requested pursuant to paragraph 8, the Commission may request additional financial corrections to be applied on the Interreg programmes affected by the irregularities detected. In such cases, the Interreg programme authorities shall carry out the required financial corrections in accordance with Article [97] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	571
10. Each audit authority of an Interreg programme for which the information referred to in paragraph 2 is missing or incomplete or has not been submitted by the deadline laid down in the first subparagraph of paragraph 2 shall carry out a separate sampling exercise for the respective Interreg programme in accordance with Article [73] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	Provisional common understanding <i>[No change]</i>	572
CHAPTER VII Financial management	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		573

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<i>Article 49 Payments and pre-financing</i> ⁶⁸	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		574
1. The ERDF support and, where applicable, the support from external financing instruments of the Union to each Interreg programme shall be paid, in accordance with Article 46(2), into a single account with no national subaccounts.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		575
2. The Commission shall pay a pre-financing based on the total support from each Interreg fund, as set out in the decision approving each Interreg programme under Article 18, subject to available funds, in yearly instalments as follows and before 1 July of the years 2022 to 2026, or, in the year of the approving decision, no later than 60 days after that decision is adopted:	<i>[no change]</i>	2. [The Commission shall pay a pre-financing based on the total support from each Interreg fund, as set out in the decision approving each Interreg programme under Article 18, subject to available funds, in yearly instalments as follows and before 1 July of the years 2022 to 2026, or, in the year of the approving decision, no later than 60 days after that decision is adopted:		576
(a) 2021: 1%;	<u>Amendment 178</u> (a) 2021: 1% 3 %;	<i>[no change]</i>		577

⁶⁸ Recital 28 on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 46(2), 49(1).

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(b) 2022: 1%;	<u>Amendment 179</u> (b) 2022: 1% 2,25% ;	<i>[no change]</i>		578
(c) 2023: 1%;	<u>Amendment 180</u> (c) 2023: 1% 2,25% ;	<i>[no change]</i>		579
(d) 2024: 1%;	<u>Amendment 181</u> (d) 2024: 1% 2,25% ;	<i>[no change]</i>		580
(e) 2025: 1%;	<u>Amendment 182</u> (e) 2025: 1% 2,25% ;	<i>[no change]</i>		581
(f) 2026: 1%.	<u>Amendment 183</u> (f) 2026: 1% 2,25% .	(f) 2026: 1%]		582
3. Where external cross-border Interreg programmes are supported by the ERDF and IPA III CBC or	<u>Amendment 184</u> Where external cross-border	3. Where external cross-border Interreg programmes are supported by the ERDF and IPA III CBC or		583

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NDICI CBC, the pre-financing for all funds supporting such an Interreg programme shall be made in accordance with Regulation (EU) [IPA III] or [NDICI] or of any act adopted thereunder.	Interreg programmes are supported by the ERDF and IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC, the pre-financing for all funds supporting such an Interreg programme shall be made in accordance with Regulation (EU) [IPA III] or [NDICI] or of any act adopted thereunder.	NDICI CBC, the pre-financing for all funds supporting such an Interreg programme shall be made in accordance with Regulation (EU) [IPA III] or [NDICI] or of any act adopted thereunder.		
The pre-financing amount may be paid in two instalments, where necessary, according to budgetary needs.	<i>[no change]</i>	The pre-financing amount may be paid in two instalments, where necessary, according to budgetary needs.		584
The total amount paid as pre-financing shall be reimbursed to the Commission if no payment application under the cross-border Interreg programme is sent within 24 months of the date on which the Commission pays the first instalment of the pre-financing amount. Such reimbursement shall constitute internal assigned revenue and shall not reduce the support from the ERDF, IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC to the programme.	<u>Amendment 185</u> The total amount paid as pre-financing shall be reimbursed to the Commission if no payment application under the cross-border Interreg programme is sent within 24 36 months of the date on which the Commission pays the first instalment of the pre-financing amount. Such reimbursement shall constitute internal assigned revenue and shall not reduce the support from the ERDF, IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC to the programme.	The total amount paid as pre-financing shall be reimbursed to the Commission if no payment application under the cross-border Interreg programme is sent within 24 months of the date on which the Commission pays the first instalment of the pre-financing amount. Such reimbursement shall constitute internal assigned revenue and shall not reduce the support from the ERDF, IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC to the programme.		585
<i>Article 50</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		586

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<i>Recoveries⁶⁹</i>				
1. The managing authority shall ensure that any amount paid as a result of an irregularity is recovered from the lead or sole partner. Partners shall repay to the lead partner any amounts unduly paid.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		587
		1a. The Member States, third countries, partner countries or OCTs participating in a given Interreg programme may decide that neither the lead or sole partner nor the programme's managing authority is obliged to recover an amount unduly paid that does not exceed EUR 250, not including interest, in contribution from any of the Interreg funds to an operation in an accounting year.		588
		No information needs to be provided to the Commission beyond the information about a decision being taken under the first subparagraph.		589
2. Where the lead partner does not succeed in securing repayment from other partners or where the	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		590

⁶⁹ Recital 30, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 22(6), 50, 58(5)(f).

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<p>managing authority does not succeed in securing repayment from the lead or sole partner, the Member State, third country, partner country or OCT on whose territory the partner concerned is located or, in the case of an EGTC, is registered shall reimburse the managing authority any amounts unduly paid to that partner. The managing authority shall be responsible for reimbursing the amounts concerned to the general budget of the Union, in accordance with the apportionment of liabilities among the participating Member States, third countries, partner countries or OCTs laid down in the Interreg programme.</p>				
<p>3. Once the Member State, third country, partner country or OCT has reimbursed the managing authority any amounts unduly paid to a partner, it may continue or start a recovery procedure against that partner under its national law. In the event of successful recovery, the Member State, third country, partner country or OCT may use those amounts for the national co-financing of the Interreg programme concerned. The Member State, third country, partner country or OCT shall not have any reporting obligations towards the programme</p>	[no change]	[no change]		591

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authorities, the monitoring committee or the Commission with regard to such national recoveries.				
<p>4. Where a Member State, third country, partner country or OCT has not reimbursed the managing authority any amounts unduly paid to a partner pursuant to paragraph 3, those amounts shall be subject to a recovery order issued by the AOD which shall be executed, where possible, by offsetting against amounts due to the Member State, third country, partner country or OCT under subsequent payments to the same Interreg programme or, in the case of a third country, partner country or an OCT, under subsequent payments to programmes under the respective external financing instruments of the Union. Such recovery shall not constitute a financial correction and shall not reduce the support from the ERDF or any external financing instrument of the Union to the respective Interreg programme. The amount recovered shall constitute assigned revenue in accordance with Article [177(3)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus].</p>	[no change]	<p>4. Where a Member State, third country, partner country or OCT has not reimbursed the managing authority any amounts unduly paid to a partner pursuant to paragraph 3, those amounts shall be subject to a recovery order issued by the AODCommission which shall be executed, where possible, by offsetting against amounts due to the respective Member State, third country, partner country or OCT under subsequent payments to the same Interreg programme or, in the case of a third country, partner country or an OCT, under subsequent payments to programmes under the respective external financing instruments of the Union. Such recovery shall not constitute a financial correction and shall not reduce the support from the ERDF or any external financing instrument of the Union to the respective Interreg programme. The amount recovered shall constitute assigned revenue in accordance with Article [17721](3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus].</p>		592

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		<p>With regard to amounts not reimbursed to the managing authority by a Member State, the offsetting shall concern subsequent payments to the same Interreg programme. The managing authority shall then offset with regard to that Member State in accordance with the apportionment of liabilities among the participating Member States set out in the Interreg programme in the event of financial corrections imposed by the managing authority or the Commission.</p>		593
		<p>With regard to amounts not reimbursed to the managing authority by a third country, partner country or OCT, the offsetting shall concern subsequent payments to programmes under the respective external financing instruments of the Union.</p>		594
<p>CHAPTER VIII Participation of third countries or partner countries or OCTs in Interreg programmes under shared management</p>	<p><u>Amendment 186</u> Participation of third countries or partner countries, or OCTs, <i>or regional integration or cooperation organisations</i> in Interreg programmes under shared</p>	<p>[CHAPTER VIII Participation of third countries or partner countries or OCTs in Interreg programmes under shared management</p>		595

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	management			
<i>Article 51 Applicable provisions⁷⁰</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		596
Chapters I to VII and Chapter X shall apply to the participation of third countries, partner countries and OCTs in Interreg programmes subject to the specific provisions set out in this Chapter.	<u>Amendment 187</u> Chapters I to VII and Chapter X shall apply to the participation of third countries, partner countries, and OCTs, <i>or regional integration or cooperation organisations</i> in Interreg programmes subject to the specific provisions set out in this Chapter.	Chapters I to VII and Chapter X shall apply to the [PEACE PLUS programme] and to participation of third countries, partner countries and OCTs supported by external financing instruments from the Union in Interreg programmes subject to the specific provisions set out in this Chapter.		597
<i>Article 52 Interreg programme authorities and their functions⁷¹</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		598
1. Third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall either allow the managing authority of that programme to carry out its functions	<i>[no change]</i>	1. Third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall either allow the managing authority of that programme to carry out its		599

⁷⁰ Recital 31 is linked to article 51-59.

⁷¹ Recital 21, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 16-22, 27-29, 34, 35, 44-48 and 52.
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in its respective territory or shall identify a national authority as contact point for the managing authority or a national controller to carry out management verifications as provided for in [point (a) of Article 68(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] in its respective territory.		functions in its respective territory or shall identify a national or regional authority as contact point for the managing authority or a national controller to carry out management verifications as provided for in [point (a) of Article 68(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] in its respective territory.		
		Where the management verifications are carried out on behalf of the managing authority by private companies, those companies shall meet at least one of the following requirements:		600
		(a) be a member of a national accounting or auditing body or institution which in turn is member of International Federation of Accountants ('IFAC');		601
		(b) be a member of a national accounting or auditing body or institution. Where this organisation is not a member of IFAC, the auditor shall commit to undertake the work in accordance with IFAC standards and ethics;		602
		(c) be registered as a statutory auditor in the public register of a		603

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		public oversight body in a Member State in accordance with the principles of public oversight set out in Directive 2006/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council;		
		(d) be registered as a statutory auditor in the public register of a public oversight body in a partner country, provided this register is subject to principles of public oversight as set out in the legislation of the country concerned.		604
2. Third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall either allow the audit authority of that programme to carry out its functions in its respective territory or shall identify a national audit authority or body, functionally independent from the national authority.	<i>[no change]</i>	2. Third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall either allow the audit authority of that programme to carry out its functions in its respective territory or shall identify a national audit authority or body, functionally independent from the national authority.		605
3. Third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall delegate staff to the joint secretariat of that programme or shall set up a branch office in its respective territory, or shall do both.	<u>Amendment 188</u> 3. Third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall <i>may</i> delegate staff to the joint secretariat of that programme or, <i>in agreement</i>	3. The managing authority, in accordance with Article 45(2) and after consultation with the Member States, third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in an Interreg programme shall delegate staff to the joint secretariat of may agree		606

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	<i>with the managing authority</i> , shall set up a branch office <i>of the Joint Secretariat</i> in its respective territory, or shall do both.	that third countries, partner countries and OCTs participating in the programme or shall may set up a branch office in its respective territory, or shall do both. (s) in the programme area.		
4. The national authority or a body equivalent to the Interreg programme communication officer as provided for in Article 35(1), shall support the managing authority and partners in the respective third country, partner country or OCT with regard to the tasks provided for in Article 35(2) to (7).	<u>Amendment 189</u> 4. The national authority or a body equivalent to the Interreg programme communication officer as provided for in Article 35(1), shall may support the managing authority and partners in the respective third country, partner country or OCT with regard to the tasks provided for in Article 35(2) to (7).	4. The national authority or a body equivalent to the Interreg programme communication officer as provided for in Article 35(1),) or the branch office , shall support the managing authority and partners in the respective third country, partner country or OCT with regard to the tasks provided for in Article 35(2) to (7) .		607
<i>Article 53 Management methods</i> ⁷²	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		608
1. External cross-border Interreg programmes supported both by ERDF and IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC shall be implemented under shared management both in the	<i>[no change]</i>	1. External cross border Interreg programmes supported both by ERDF and IPA III CBC or NDICI CBC shall be implemented under shared management both in		609

⁷² Recital 18, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 14(2), 23(3), 44(3), 53(1), 59(3).
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Member States and in any participating third country or partner country.		the Member States and in any participating third country or partner country.		
The PEACE PLUS programme shall be implemented under shared management both in Ireland and in the United Kingdom.	<i>[no change]</i>	[The PEACE PLUS programme shall be implemented under shared management both in Ireland and in the United Kingdom.]		610
2. Component 2 and 4 Interreg programmes combining contributions from the ERDF and from one or more external financing instrument of the Union shall be implemented under shared management both in the Member States and in any participating third country or partner country or, with regard to component 3, in any OCT, whether or not that OCT receives support under one or more external financing instruments of the Union.	<u>Amendment 190</u> 2. Component 2 and 4 Interreg programmes combining contributions from the ERDF and from one or more external financing instrument of the Union shall be implemented under shared management both in the Member States and in any participating third country, or partner country, participating OCT or, with regard to component 3, in any OCT, whether or not that OCT receives support under one or more external financing instruments of the Union.	2. Component 2 and 4 Interreg Strand B and C programmes combining contributions from the ERDF and from one or more external financing instrument of the Union shall be implemented under shared management both in the Member States and in any participating third country or partner country or, with regard to component 3 Strand D , in any OCT, whether or not that OCT receives support under one or more external financing instruments of the Union.		611
3. Component 3 Interreg programmes combining contributions from the ERDF and one or more external financing instruments of the Union shall be implemented in any of the following	<i>[no change]</i>	3. Component 3 Interreg Strand D programmes combining contributions from the ERDF and one or more external financing instruments of the Union shall be implemented in any of the		612

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ways:		following ways:		
(a) under shared management both in the Member States and in any participating third country or OCT;	<u>Amendment 191</u> a) under shared management both in the Member States and in any participating third country or OCT or group of third countries forming part of a regional organisation ;	<i>[no change]</i>		613
(b) under shared management only in the Member States and in any participating third country or OCT with regard to ERDF expenditure outside the Union for one or more operations, whereas the contributions from one or more external financing instruments of the Union are managed under indirect management;	<u>Amendment 192</u> b) under shared management only in the Member States and in any participating third country or OCT, or group of third countries forming part of a regional organisation , with regard to ERDF expenditure outside the Union for one or more operations, whereas the contributions from one or more external financing instruments of the Union are managed under indirect management;	<i>[no change]</i>		614
(c) under indirect management both in the Member States and in any participating third country or OCT.	<u>Amendment 193</u> c) under indirect	<i>[no change]</i>		615

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	management both in the Member States and in any participating third country or OCT <i>or group of third countries forming part of a regional organisation.</i>			
Where all or part of a component 3 Interreg programme is implemented under indirect management, Article 60 shall apply.	<u>Amendment 194</u> Where all or part of a component 3 Interreg programme is implemented under indirect management, <i>a prior agreement between Member States and regions concerned is required and</i> Article 60 shall apply.	Where all or part of a component 3 an Interreg Strand D programme is implemented under indirect management, Article 60 shall apply.		616
	<u>Amendment 195</u> <i>3 a. Joint calls for proposals mobilising funding from bilateral or multi-country NDICI programmes and ETC programmes may be launched if the respective managing authorities agree to do so. The content of the call shall specify its geographical scope, and its expected contribution to the objectives of the respective programmes. Managing authorities shall decide whether NDICI or ETC rules are</i>			617

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	<i>applicable to the call. They may decide to appoint a lead managing authority responsible for the tasks of management and control related to the call.</i>			
<i>Article 54 Eligibility⁷³</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		618
1. By way of derogation from Article [57(2)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] expenditure shall be eligible for a contribution from external financing instruments of the Union if it has been incurred by a partner or the private partner of PPP operations in the preparation and implementation of Interreg operations from 1 January 2021 and paid after the date when the financing agreement with the respective third country, partner country or OCT was concluded.	<i>[no change]</i>	1. By way of derogation from Article [57(2)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR] expenditure shall be eligible for a contribution from external financing instruments of the Union if it has been incurred by a partner or the private partner of PPP operations and paid in the preparation, and implementation of Interreg operations from 1 January 2021 and paid from the date of the programme submission, whichever date is earlier but may be claimed from the programme after the date when the financing agreement with the respective third country, partner country or OCT was concluded.		619
However, expenditure for technical assistance managed by programme	<i>[no change]</i>	However, expenditure for technical assistance managed by programme		620

⁷³ Recital 31 is linked to article 51-59.

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authorities located in a Member State shall be eligible as of 1 January 2021, even when paid for actions implemented in favour of third countries, partner countries or OCTs.		authorities located in a Member State shall be eligible as of 1 January 2021, even when paid for actions implemented in favour of third countries, partner countries or OCTs.		
		For costs reimbursed by external financing instrument pursuant to points (b), (c) and (f) of Article 48(1) of Regulation (EU) [new CPR], the actions constituting the basis for reimbursement shall be carried out from 1 January 2021 or from the date of the programme submission, whichever date is earlier but may be claimed from the programme after the date when the financing agreement with the respective third country, partner country or OCT was concluded.		621
2. Where an Interreg programme selects operations based on calls for proposals, such calls may include applications for a contribution from external financing instruments of the Union, even when launched before the relevant financing agreement was signed, and operations may already be selected before such dates.	<i>[no change]</i>	2. Where an Interreg programme selects operations based on calls for proposals, such calls may include applications for a contribution from external financing instruments of the Union, even when the calls were launched and operations were selected before the relevant financing agreement was signed, and operations may already be selected		622

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		before such dates.		
However, the managing authority may not provide the document provided for in Article 22(6) before such dates.	[no change]	However, the The managing authority may not provide the document provided for in Article 22(6) before such dates the relevant financing agreement was signed.		623
<i>Article 55 Large infrastructure projects⁷⁴</i>	[no change]	[no change]		624
1. Interreg programmes under this section may support 'large infrastructure projects' meaning operations comprising a set of works, activities or services intended to fulfil an indivisible function of a precise nature pursuing clearly identified objectives of common interest for the purposes of implementing investments delivering a cross-border impact and benefits and where a budget share of at least EUR 2 500 000 is allocated to the acquisition of infrastructure.	[no change]	1. Interreg programmes under this section may support 'large infrastructure projects' meaning operations comprising a set of works, activities or services intended to fulfil an indivisible function of a precise nature pursuing clearly identified objectives of common interest for the purposes of implementing investments delivering a cross-border impact and benefits and where a budget share of a total cost of at least EUR 2 500 000 is allocated to the acquisition, construction or modernisation of infrastructure.		625

⁷⁴ Recital 31 is linked to article 51-59.
Recital 33 is linked to this article.

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2. Each beneficiary implementing a large infrastructure project or a part thereof shall apply the applicable public procurement rules.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		626
3. Where the selection of one or more large infrastructure projects is on the agenda of a monitoring committee or, where applicable, steering committee meeting, the managing authority shall transmit a concept note for each such project to the Commission at the latest two months before the date of the meeting. The concept note shall be a maximum of three pages and shall indicate the name, the location, the budget, the lead partner and the partners as well as the main objectives and deliverables thereof. If the concept note concerning one or more large infrastructure projects is not transmitted to the Commission by that deadline, the Commission may request that the chair of the monitoring committee or steering committee remove the projects concerned from the agenda of the meeting.	<p><u>Amendment 196</u></p> <p>3. Where the selection of one or more large infrastructure projects is on the agenda of a monitoring committee or, where applicable, steering committee meeting, the managing authority shall transmit a concept note for each such project to the Commission at the latest two months before the date of the meeting. The concept note shall be a maximum of three five pages and shall indicate the name, the location, the budget, the lead partner and the partners as well as the main objectives and deliverables thereof, as well as including a credible business plan which demonstrates that the project or projects' continuation is secure even without the provision of Interreg funds. If the concept note concerning one or more large infrastructure projects is not transmitted to the Commission by that deadline, the Commission may</p>	3. Where the selection of one or more large infrastructure projects is on the agenda of a monitoring committee or, where applicable, steering committee meeting, the managing authority shall transmit a concept note for each such project to the Commission, for information , at the latest two months before the date of the meeting. The concept note shall be a maximum of three pages and shall indicate the name, the location, the budget, the lead partner and the partners as well as the main objectives and deliverables thereof. If the concept note concerning one or more large infrastructure projects is not transmitted to the Commission by that deadline, the Commission may request that the chair of the monitoring committee or steering committee remove the projects concerned from the agenda of the meeting.		627

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	request that the chair of the monitoring committee or steering committee remove the projects concerned from the agenda of the meeting.			
<i>Article 56 Procurement</i> ⁷⁵	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		628
1. Where the implementation of an operation requires procurement of service, supply or works contracts by a beneficiary, the following rules shall apply:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		629
(a) where the beneficiary is a contracting authority or a contracting entity within the meaning of the Union law applicable to public procurement procedures, it shall apply national laws, regulations and administrative provisions adopted in connection with Union laws;	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) where the beneficiary is located in a Member State and is a contracting authority or a contracting entity within the meaning of the Union law applicable to public procurement procedures, it shall apply national laws, regulations and administrative provisions adopted in connection with Union laws;		630
(b) where the beneficiary is a public authority of a partner country under IPA III or NDICI whose co-financing is transferred to the	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		631

⁷⁵ Recital 31 is linked to article 51-59.

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Managing Authority, it may apply national laws, regulations and administrative provisions, provided that the financing agreement allows it and that the contract is awarded to the tender offering best value for money, or as appropriate, to the tender offering the lowest price, while avoiding any conflict of interests.				
2. For the award of goods, works or services in all cases other than those referred to in paragraph 1, the procurement procedures under Articles [178] and [179] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] and Chapter 3 of Annex 1 (Points 36 to 41) to that Regulation shall apply.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		632
<i>Article 57 Financial management⁷⁶</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		633
The Commission decisions approving Interreg programmes also supported by an external financing instrument of the Union shall meet the requirements necessary to constitute financing decisions in terms of Article [110(2)] of	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		634

⁷⁶ Recital 31 is linked to article 51-59.

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Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus].				
<i>Article 58</i> <i>Conclusion of Financing Agreements under shared management</i> ⁷⁷	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		635
1. In order to implement an Interreg programme in a third country, partner country or OCT, in accordance with Article [112(4)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus], a financing agreement shall be concluded between the Commission representing the Union and each participating third country, partner country or OCT represented in accordance with its national legal framework.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		636
2. Any financing agreement shall be concluded at the latest on 31 December of the year following the year when the first budget commitment was made and shall be considered concluded on the date when the last party has signed it.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		637
Any financing agreement shall enter into force either on the date	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		638

⁷⁷ Recital 30, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 22(6), 50, 58(5)(f).
Recital 31 is linked to article 51-59.

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(a) when the last party has signed it; or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		639
(b) when the third or partner country or OCT has completed the procedure required for ratification under its national legal framework and informed the Commission .	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		640
3. Where an Interreg programme involves more than one third country, partner country or OCT, at least one financing agreement shall be signed by both parties before that date. The other third countries, partner countries or OCTs may sign their respective financing agreements at the latest on 30 June of the second year following the year when the first budget commitment was made.	<i>[no change]</i>	3. The Commission shall provide the draft financing agreement at the latest one year prior to the deadline for signature. Where an Interreg programme involves more than one third country, partner country or OCT, at least one financing agreement shall be signed by both parties before that the date specified in paragraph 2. The other third countries, partner countries or OCTs may sign their respective financing agreements at the latest on 30 June of the second year following the year when the first budget commitment was made.		641

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4. The Member State hosting the managing authority of the relevant Interreg programme either	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		642
(a) may also sign the financing agreement; or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		643
(b) shall sign, on the same date, an implementing agreement with each third country, partner country or OCT participating in that Interreg programme setting out the mutual rights and obligations with regard to its implementation and financial management.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		644
When transmitting the signed copy of the financing agreement or a copy of the implementing agreement to the Commission, the Member State hosting the managing authority shall also send, as a separate document, a list of the planned large infrastructure projects as defined in Article 55, indicating the prospective name, location, budget and lead partner thereof.	<i>[no change]</i>	When transmitting the signed copy of the financing agreement or a copy of the implementing agreement to the Commission, the Member State hosting the managing authority shall also send, as a separate document, a list of the planned large infrastructure projects as defined in Article 55, indicating the prospective name, location, budget and lead partner thereof.		645
5. An implementing agreement signed pursuant to point (b) of paragraph 4 shall at least cover the following elements:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		646

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(a) detailed arrangements for payments;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		647
(b) financial management;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		648
(c) record keeping;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		649
(d) reporting obligations;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		650
(e) verifications, controls and audit;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		651
(f) irregularities and recoveries.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		652
6. Where the Member State hosting the managing authority of the Interreg programme decides to sign the financing agreement pursuant to point (a) of paragraph 4, that financing agreement shall be considered a tool to implement the Union budget in accordance with the Financial Regulation and not an	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		653

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international agreement as referred to in Articles 216 to 219 of the TFEU.				
<i>Article 59</i> <i>Third country, partner country or OCT contribution other than co-financing⁷⁸</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>Article 59</i> Third country, partner country or OCT contribution other than co-financing⁷⁹		654
1. Where a third country, partner country or OCT transfers to the Managing Authority a financial contribution to the Interreg programme other than its co-financing of the Union support to the Interreg programme, the rules concerning that financial contribution shall be contained in the following document:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		655
(a) where the Member State signs the financing agreement pursuant to point (a) of Article 58(4), in a separate implementing agreement signed either between the Member State hosting the managing authority and the third country, partner	<i>[no change]</i>	(a) where the Member State signs the financing agreement pursuant to point (a) of Article 58(4), in one of the following:		656

⁷⁸ Recital 18, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to article 14(2), 23(3), 44(3), 53(1), 59(3).
Recital 31 is linked to article 51-59.

⁷⁹ **Council position:** The final wording on de-commitment rule for Interreg programmes also supported by IPA III CBC or NDICI III CBC will be subject to MFF discussions.

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country or OCT or directly between the managing authority and the competent authority in the third country, partner country or OCT;				
		(i) a distinct part of that financing agreement; or		657
		(ii) in a separate implementing agreement signed either between the Member State hosting the managing authority and the third country, partner country or OCT or directly between the managing authority and the competent authority in the third country, partner country or OCT;		658
(b) where the Member State signs an implementing agreement pursuant to point (b) of Article 58(4), in one of the following:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		659
(i) a distinct part of that implementing agreement; or	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		660
(ii) an additional implementing agreement signed between the same parties referred to point (a).	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		661
For the purposes of point (b)(i) of the first subparagraph, sections of the implementing agreement may, where	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		662

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applicable, cover both the transferred financial contribution and the Union support to the Interreg programme.				
2. An implementing agreement under paragraph 1 shall at least contain the elements concerning the third country's, partner country's or OCT's co-financing listed in Article 58(5).	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		663
In addition, it shall set out both of the following:	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		664
(a) the amount of the additional financial contribution;	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		665
(b) the intended use and conditions for its use, including conditions for applications for that additional contribution.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		666
3. With regard to the PEACE PLUS programme, the financial contribution to Union activities from the United Kingdom in the form of external assigned revenue as referred to in [point (e) of Article 21(2)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] shall make part of the budget appropriations for Heading 2 'Cohesion and Values', sub-ceiling	<i>[no change]</i>	[3. With regard to the PEACE PLUS programme, the financial contribution to Union activities from the United Kingdom in the form of external assigned revenue as referred to in [point (e) of Article 21(2)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] shall make part of the budget appropriations for Heading 2 'Cohesion and Values',		667

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'Economic, social and territorial cohesion'.		sub-ceiling 'Economic, social and territorial cohesion'.		
That contribution shall be subject to a specific financing agreement with the United Kingdom in accordance with Article 58. The Commission and the United Kingdom as well as Ireland shall be parties to this specific financing agreement.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		668
It shall be signed before the beginning of the implementation of the programme thus allowing the Special EU Programmes Body to apply all the Union legislation for the implementation of the programme.	<i>[no change]</i>	It shall be signed before the beginning of the implementation of the programme thus allowing the Special EU Programmes Body to apply all the Union legislation for the implementation of the programme.]]		669
CHAPTER IX Specific provisions for direct or indirect management	<i>[no change]</i>	CHAPTER IX Specific provisions for direct or indirect management		670
<i>Article 60</i> <i>Outermost regions' cooperation</i> ⁸⁰	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		671
1. Where part or all of a component 3 Interreg programme is	<u>Amendment 197</u>	1. Where part or all of a component 3 an Interreg Strand D		672

⁸⁰ Recital 14, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to art. 6, 10(5), 16(5), 23 (4), 60.
Recital 32, on which the EP adopted an am, is linked to this article.

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<p>implemented under indirect management pursuant to point (b) or (c) respectively of Article 53(3), implementation tasks shall be entrusted to one of the bodies listed in point [(c) of the first subparagraph of Article 62(1)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus], in particular to such a body located in the participating Member State, including the managing authority of the Interreg programme concerned.</p>	<p>1. Where, <i>after consulting stakeholders</i>, part or all of a component 3 Interreg programme is implemented under indirect management pursuant to point (b) or (c) respectively of Article 53(3) of this Regulation, implementation tasks shall be entrusted to one of the bodies listed in point [(c) of the first subparagraph of Article 62(1)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus], in particular to such a body located in the participating Member State, including the managing authority of the Interreg programme concerned.</p>	<p>programme is implemented under indirect management pursuant to point (b) or (c) respectively of Article 53(3), implementation tasks shall be entrusted to one of the bodies listed in point [(c) of the first subparagraph of Article 62(1)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus], in particular to such a body located in the participating Member State, including the managing authority of the Interreg programme concerned.</p>		
<p>2. In accordance with [point (c) of Article 154(6)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus], the Commission may decide not to require an <i>ex-ante</i> assessment as referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 of that Article when the budget implementation tasks referred to in [point (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 62(1)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] are entrusted to a managing authority of an outermost regions' Interreg programme identified pursuant to Article 37(1) of this Regulation and</p>	<p>[no change]</p>	<p>[no change]</p>		673

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in accordance with Article [65] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR].				
3. Where the budget implementation tasks referred to in [point (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 62(1)] of Regulation [FR-Omnibus] are entrusted to a Member State organisation, Article [157] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] shall apply.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		674
4. Where a programme or action co-financed by one or more external financing instrument is implemented by a third country, a partner country, an OCT or any of the other bodies listed to in [point (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 62(1)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] or referred to in Regulation (EU) [NDICI] or Council Decision [OCT Decision] or both, the relevant rules of these instruments shall apply, in particular Chapters I, III and V of Title II of Regulation (EU) [NDICI].	<i>[no change]</i>	4. Where a programme or action co-financed by one or more external financing instrument is implemented by a third country, a partner country, an OCT or any of the other bodies listed to in [point (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 62(1)] of Regulation (EU, Euratom) [FR-Omnibus] or referred to in Regulation (EU) [NDICI] or Council Decision [OCT Decision] or both, the relevant rules of these instruments shall apply, in particular Chapters I, III and V of Title II of Regulation (EU) [NDICI].		675
		Conditions for the implementation of part of an Interreg Strand D programme under indirect management pursuant to point (b) or (c) of Article 53(3) shall be defined by		676

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		an agreement concluded between the Commission, the managing authority or its Member State and the entrusted body.		
<i>Article 61 Interregional innovation investments</i>	<u>Amendment 198</u> Interregional innovation investments	<i>Article 61 Interregional innovation investments</i>		677
At the initiative of the Commission, the ERDF may support interregional innovation investments, as set out in point 5 of Article 3, bringing together researchers, businesses, civil society and public administrations involved in smart specialisation strategies established at national or regional levels.	At the initiative of the Commission, the ERDF may support interregional innovation investments, as set out in point 5 of Article 3, bringing together researchers, businesses, civil society and public administrations involved in smart specialisation strategies established at national or regional levels.	At the initiative of the Commission, the ERDF may support interregional innovation investments, as set out in point 5 of Article 3, bringing together researchers, businesses, civil society and public administrations involved in smart specialisation strategies established at national or regional levels.		678
	<u>Amendment 199</u> <i>Article 61 a</i> <i>Exemption from reporting requirements under Article 108(3) TFEU</i>			679
	<i>The Commission may declare that aid in favour of projects supported by EU European territorial</i>			680

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	<i>cooperation are compatible with the internal market and are not subject to the notification requirements of Article 108(3) TFEU.</i>			
CHAPTER X Final provisions	[no change]	[no change]		681
Article 62 <i>Exercise of the delegation</i> ⁸¹	[no change]	[no change]		682
1. The power to adopt delegated acts is conferred on the Commission subject to the conditions laid down in this Article.	[no change]	[no change]		683
2. The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Article 16(6) shall be conferred on the Commission from <i>[as of one day after its publication = date of entry into force]</i> until 31 December 2027.	[no change]	2. The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Article 16(6) shall be conferred on the Commission from <i>[as of one day after its publication = date of entry into force]</i> until 31 December 2027		684
3. The delegation of power referred to in Article 16(6) may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the power specified	[no change]	[no change]		685

⁸¹ Recital 36 is linked to article 16(6) and 62.

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in that decision. It shall take effect the day following the publication of the decision in the <i>Official Journal of the European Union</i> or at a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of any delegated acts already in force.				
4. Before adopting a delegated act, the Commission shall consult experts designated by each Member State in accordance with the principles laid down in the Interinstitutional Agreement of 13 April 2016 on Better Law-Making.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		686
5. As soon as it adopts a delegated act, the Commission shall notify it simultaneously to the European Parliament and to the Council.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		687
6. A delegated act adopted pursuant to Article 16(6) shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or by the Council within a period of [two months] of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they will not object. That period shall be extended	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		688

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by [two months] at the initiative of the European Parliament or of the Council.				
<i>Article 63 Committee Procedure</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		689
1. The Commission shall be assisted by the committee set up pursuant to Article [108(1)] of Regulation (EU) [new CPR]. That committee shall be a committee within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		690
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 4 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 shall apply.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		691
<i>Article 64 Transitional provisions</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		692
Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 or any act adopted thereunder shall continue to apply to programmes and operations supported by the ERDF under the 2014-2020 programming period.	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		693
<i>Article 65 Entry into force</i>	<i>[no change]</i>	<i>[no change]</i>		694

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This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the <i>Official Journal of the European Union</i> .	[no change]	[no change]		695
This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.	[no change]	[no change]		696
RECITALS At this stage the table only contains the recitals on which the Council has a mandate for negotiation.				
(3) In order to support the harmonious development of the Union's territory at different levels, the ERDF should support cross-border cooperation, transnational cooperation, maritime cooperation, outermost regions' cooperation and interregional cooperation under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg).	(3) In order to support the a cooperative and harmonious development of the Union's territory at different levels and to reduce existing disparities , the ERDF should support cross-border cooperation, transnational cooperation, maritime cooperation, outermost regions' cooperation and interregional cooperation under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg). In the process, the principles of multi-level governance and partnership should be taken into account, and place-based approaches should be strengthened. [Am. 3]	(3) In order to support the harmonious development of the Union's territory at different levels, the ERDF should support cross-border cooperation, transnational cooperation, maritime cooperation, interregional cooperation and outermost regions' cooperation and interregional cooperation under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg).	<i>Provisional common understanding</i> (3) In order to support the harmonious development of the Union's territory at different levels, the ERDF should support cross-border cooperation, transnational cooperation, maritime cooperation, interregional cooperation and outermost regions' cooperation and interregional cooperation under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg). In the process, the principles of multi-level governance and partnership should be taken into account, ensuring an effective size of partnership for a programme.	697

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<p>(4) The cross-border cooperation component should aim to tackle common challenges identified jointly in the border regions, and to exploit the untapped growth potential in border areas as evidenced in the Communication of the Commission 'Boosting Growth and Cohesion in EU Border Regions'⁸² ('Border Regions Communication'). Consequently, the cross-border component should be limited to cooperation on land borders and cross-border cooperation on</p>	<p>(4) The cross-border cooperation component should aim to tackle common challenges identified jointly in the border regions, and to exploit the untapped growth potential in border areas as evidenced in the Communication of the Commission 'Boosting Growth and Cohesion in EU Border Regions'⁸³ ('Border Regions Communication'). Consequently Therefore, the cross-border component should be limited to include cooperation on land</p>	<p>(4) The cross-border cooperation strand should aim to tackle common challenges identified jointly in the neighbouring land and maritime border regions, and to exploit the untapped growth potential in border areas as evidenced in the Communication of the Commission 'Boosting Growth and Cohesion in EU Border Regions' ('Border Regions Communication'). Consequently, the cross-border component should be limited to cooperation on land borders and cross-border</p>		698

⁸² Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament 'Boosting growth and cohesion in EU border regions' - COM(2017) 534 final, 20.9.2017.

⁸³ Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament 'Boosting growth and cohesion in EU border regions' - COM(2017)0534, 20.9.2017.

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maritime borders should be integrated into the transnational component.	borders and cross border cooperation on both land or maritime borders should be integrated into the transnational, without prejudice to the new component for outermost regions cooperation. [Am. 5]	cooperation on maritime borders should be integrated into the transnational component.		
(6) The transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation component should aim to strengthen cooperation by means of actions conducive to integrated territorial development linked to the Union's cohesion policy priorities, and should also include maritime cross-border cooperation.	(6) The transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation component should aim to strengthen cooperation by means of actions conducive to integrated territorial development linked to the Union's cohesion policy priorities, and should also include maritime	(6) The transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation component strand should aim to strengthen cooperation by means of actions conducive to integrated territorial development linked to the Union's cohesion policy priorities, and should also include maritime		699

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<p>Transnational cooperation should cover larger territories on the mainland of the Union, whereas maritime cooperation should cover territories around sea-basins and integrate cross-border cooperation on maritime borders during the programming period 2014-2020. Maximum flexibility should be given to continue implementing previous maritime cross-border cooperation within a larger maritime cooperation framework, in particular by defining the territory covered, the specific objectives for such cooperation, the requirements for a project partnership and the setting-up of sub-programmes and specific steering committees.</p>	<p>cross border cooperation <i>in full respect of subsidiarity.</i> Transnational cooperation should cover larger <i>transnational</i> territories on the mainland of the Union, whereas maritime <i>and, where appropriate,</i> territories around sea-basins <i>and integrate that extend geographically beyond those covered by</i> cross-border cooperation on maritime borders during the programming period 2014-2020. Maximum flexibility should be given to continue implementing previous maritime cross-border cooperation within a larger maritime cooperation framework, in particular by defining the territory covered, the specific objectives for such cooperation, the requirements for a project partnership and the setting-up of sub-programmes and specific steering committees <i>programmes.</i> [Am. 7]</p>	<p>cross border cooperation. Transnational cooperation should cover larger territories on the mainland of the Union, whereas maritime cooperation should cover territories <i>and</i> around sea-basins and integrate cross border cooperation on maritime borders during the programming period 2014-2020. Maximum <i>with maximum</i> flexibility should be given to continue implementing <i>ensure the coherence and continuity of cooperation programmes, including</i> previous external maritime cross-border cooperation within a larger maritime cooperation framework, in particular by defining the territory covered, the specific objectives for such cooperation, the requirements for a project partnership and the setting-up of <i>possibility to set up</i> sub-programmes and specific steering committees.</p>		

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(8) Based on the experience with the interregional cooperation programmes under Interreg and the lack of such cooperation within programmes under the Investment for jobs and growth goal during the programming period 2014-2020, the interregional cooperation component	(8) Based on the <i>positive</i> experience with the interregional cooperation programmes under Interreg, <i>on the one hand</i> , and the lack of such cooperation within programmes under the Investment for jobs and growth goal during the programming period 2014-2020,	(8) Based on the positive experience with the and the high added value brought by the existing programmes to territorial cohesion in Europe , interregional cooperation programmes under Interreg and the lack of such cooperation within		700

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<p>should focus more specifically on boosting the effectiveness of cohesion policy. That component should therefore be limited to two programmes, one to enable all kind of experience, innovative approaches and capacity building for programmes under both goals and to promote European groupings of territorial cooperation ('EGTCs') set up or to be set up pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1082/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁸⁴ and one to improve the analysis of development trends. Project-based cooperation throughout the Union should be integrated into the new component on interregional innovation investments and closely linked to the implementation of the Communication from the Commission 'Strengthening Innovation in Europe's Regions: Strategies for resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth'⁸⁵, in particular to support thematic smart specialisation</p>	<p>the <i>on the other</i>, interregional cooperation component should focus more specifically on boosting the effectiveness of cohesion policy. That component should therefore be limited to two programmes, one to enable all kind, through the exchange of experience, innovative approaches and capacity building the development of capacities for programmes under both goals and to promote (European territorial cooperation and Investment for growth and jobs) among cities and regions is an important component with a view to finding common solutions in the cohesion policy field and building lasting partnerships. Existing programmes and, in particular, promotion of project-based cooperation, including promoting European groupings of territorial cooperation ('EGTCs') set up or to be set up pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1082/2006 of the</p>	<p>programmes under the Investment for jobs and growth goal during the programming period 2014-2020, the interregional cooperation component strand should focus more specifically on boosting the effectiveness of cohesion policy. That component should therefore be limited to two through four specific programmes; one to enable all kind the exchange of experience experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building for programmes under both goals and to promote focusing on policy objectives, in relation to the identification, dissemination and transfer of good practices into regional development policies including Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes; one dedicated to the exchange of experiences and capacity building in relation to the identification, transfer and capitalisation of urban good practices on integrated and sustainable urban</p>		

⁸⁴ Regulation (EC) No 1082/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2006 on a European grouping of territorial cooperation (EGTC) (OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 19).

⁸⁵ Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions 'Strengthening Innovation in Europe's Regions: Strategies for resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth' - COM(2017) 376 final, 18.7.2017.

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<p>platforms on fields such as energy, industrial modernisation or agrifood. Finally, integrated territorial development focusing on functional urban areas or urban areas should be concentrated within programmes under the Investment for jobs and growth goal and in one accompanying instrument, the ‘European Urban Initiative’. The two programmes under the interregional cooperation component should cover the whole Union and should also be open for the participation of third countries.</p>	<p>European Parliament and of the Council⁸⁶ and one to improve the analysis of development trends. Project-based cooperation throughout the Union), <i>as well as macro-regional strategies</i> should be integrated into the new component on interregional innovation investments and closely linked to the implementation of the Communication from the Commission ‘Strengthening Innovation in Europe’s Regions: Strategies for resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth’⁸⁷, in particular to support thematic smart specialisation platforms on fields such as energy, industrial modernisation or agrifood. Finally, integrated territorial development focusing on functional urban areas or urban areas should be concentrated within programmes under the Investment for jobs and growth goal and in one accompanying instrument, the ‘European Urban Initiative’. The two programmes under the interregional cooperation</p>	<p>development, taking into account the linkages between urban and rural areas including support to actions developed in the framework of Article 9 of [ERDF-Cohesion Fund regulation], complementing and being coordinated with the initiative outlined in Article 10 of Regulation (EU) [ERDF/CF Regulation]; one for the exchange of experiences, innovative approaches and capacity building with a view to harmonizing and simplifying the implementation of Interreg programmes and to harmonising and simplifying cooperation actions referred in point [d (v) of paragraph 3 of Article 17 of (new CPR)]; and to support the setting-up, functioning and use of European groupings of territorial cooperation (‘EGTCs’) set up or to be set up pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1082/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴ and one to improve the analysis of development trends. Project-based</p>		

⁸⁶ Regulation (EC) No 1082/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2006 on a European grouping of territorial cooperation (EGTC) (OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 19).

⁸⁷ Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions ‘Strengthening Innovation in Europe’s Regions: Strategies for resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth’ – COM(2017) 376 final, 18.7.2017.

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	<p>component should cover the whole Union and should also be open for the participation of third countries. <i>therefore be continued.</i> [Am. 9]</p>	<p>cooperation throughout the Union should be integrated into the new component on interregional innovation investments and closely linked to the implementation of the Communication from the Commission 'Strengthening Innovation in Europe's Regions: Strategies for resilient, inclusive and sustainable growth'¹⁴, in particular to support thematic smart specialisation platforms on fields such as energy, industrial modernisation or agrifood. Finally, integrated territorial development focusing on functional urban areas or urban areas should be concentrated within programmes under the Investment for jobs and growth goal and in one accompanying instrument, the 'European Urban Initiative'. The two four programmes under the interregional cooperation component strand should cover the whole Union and should also be open for the participation of third countries.</p>		

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<p>(10) It is necessary to continue supporting or, as appropriate, to establish cooperation in all its dimensions with the Union's neighbouring third countries, as such cooperation is an important regional development policy tool and should benefit the regions of the Member States which border third countries. To that effect, the ERDF and the external financing instruments of the Union, IPA⁸⁸, NDICI⁸⁹ and OCTP⁹⁰,</p>	<p>(10) It is necessary to continue supporting or, as appropriate, to establish cooperation in all its dimensions with the Union's neighbouring third countries, as such cooperation is an important regional development policy tool and should benefit the regions of the Member States which border third countries. To that effect, the ERDF and the external financing instruments of the Union, IPA⁹¹,</p>	<p>(10) It is necessary to continue supporting or, as appropriate, to establish cooperation in all its dimensions with the Union's neighbouring third countries, as such cooperation is an important regional development policy tool and should benefit the regions of the Member States which border third countries. To that effect, the ERDF and the external financing instruments of the Union, IPA⁹¹,</p>		701

⁸⁸ Regulation (EU) XXX establishing the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (OJ L xx, p. y).

⁸⁹ Regulation (EU) XXX establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (OJ L xx, p. y).

⁹⁰ Council Decision (EU) XXX on the association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union including relations between the European Union on the one hand and Greenland and the Kingdom of Denmark on the other (OJ L xx, p. y).

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<p>should support programmes under cross-border cooperation, transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation, outermost regions' cooperation and interregional cooperation. The support from the ERDF and from the external financing instruments of the Union should be based on reciprocity and proportionality. However, for IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC, the ERDF support should be complemented by at least equivalent amounts under IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC, subject to a maximum amount set out in the respective legal act, that is to say, up to 3 % of the financial envelope under IPA III and up to 4 % of the financial envelope of the Neighbourhood geographic programme under Article 4(2)(a) of the NDICI.</p>	<p>NDICI⁹² and OCTP⁹³, should support programmes under cross-border cooperation, transnational cooperation and maritime cooperation, outermost regions' cooperation and interregional cooperation. The support from the ERDF and from the external financing instruments of the Union should be based on reciprocity and proportionality. However, for IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC, the ERDF support should be complemented by at least equivalent amounts under IPA III CBC and NDICI CBC, subject to a maximum amount set out in the respective legal act, that is to say, up to 3 % of the financial envelope under IPA III and up to 4 % of the financial envelope of the Neighbourhood geographic programme under Article 4(2)(a) of the NDICI. [Am. 12]</p>	<p>NDICI^{IPA27}, NDICI²⁸ and OCTP^{OCTP29}, should support programmes under cross-border cooperation, transnational cooperation, and maritime cooperation, outermost regions' cooperation and interregional cooperation. The support from the ERDF and from the external financing instruments of the Union should be based on reciprocity and proportionality. However, for IPA- III CBC and NDICI CBC, the ERDF support should be complemented by at least equivalent amounts under IPA- III CBC and NDICI CBC, subject to a maximum amount set out in the respective legal act, that is to say, up to 3 % of the financial envelope under IPA III and up to 4 % of the financial envelope of the Neighbourhood geographic programme under Article 4(2)(a) of the NDICI.</p>		

⁹¹ Regulation (EU) XXX establishing the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (OJ L xx, p. y).

⁹² Regulation (EU) XXX establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (OJ L xx, p. y).

⁹³ Council Decision (EU) XXX on the association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union including relations between the European Union on the one hand and Greenland and the Kingdom of Denmark on the other (OJ L xx, p. y).

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<p>situation of outmost regions of the Union, it is necessary to adopt measures concerning the conditions under which those regions may have access to structural funds. Consequently, certain provisions of this Regulation should be adapted to the specificities of the outermost regions in order to simplify and foster cooperation with their neighbors, while taking into account the Communication from the Commission 'A stronger and renewed strategic partnership with the EU's outermost regions'⁹⁴.</p>	<p>situation of outmost regions of the Union, it is necessary to adopt measures concerning the improvement of conditions under which those regions may have access to structural funds. Consequently, certain provisions of this Regulation should be adapted to the specificities of the outermost regions in order to simplify and foster their cooperation with their neighbors third countries and OCTs, while taking into account the Communication from the Commission 'A stronger and renewed strategic partnership with the EU's outermost regions'⁹⁵. [Am. 16]</p>	<p>situation of outmost regions of the Union, it is necessary to adopt measures concerning the conditions under which those regions may have access to structural funds. Consequently, certain provisions of this Regulation should be adapted to the specificities of the outermost regions in order to simplify and foster cooperation with their neighbours, while taking into account the Communication from the Commission 'A stronger and renewed strategic partnership with the EU's outermost regions'. This cooperation may be carried out in close partnership with regional organisations.</p>		

⁹⁴ Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank 'A stronger and renewed strategic partnership with the EU's outermost regions', - COM(2017) 623 final, 24.10.2017.

⁹⁵ Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank 'A stronger and renewed strategic partnership with the EU's outermost regions', - COM(2017)0623, 24.10.2017.

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<p>(17) The ERDF should contribute, under Interreg, to the specific objectives under the cohesion policy objectives. However, the list of the specific objectives under the different thematic objectives should be adapted to the specific needs of Interreg, by providing for additional specific objectives under the policy objective 'a more social Europe by implementing the European Pillar of Social Rights' in order to allow for ESF-type interventions.</p>	<p><i>(no change)</i></p>	<p>(17) The ERDF should contribute, under Interreg, to the specific objectives under the cohesion policy objectives. However, the list of the specific objectives under the different thematic policy objectives should be adapted to the specific needs of Interreg, by providing for additional specific objectives under the policy objective 'a more social Europe by implementing the European Pillar of Social Rights' in order to allow for ESF-type interventions, according to paragraphs (i) to (x) of Article 4(1) of Regulation (EU) [ESF+ Regulation] through joint actions under Interreg programmes.</p>		703

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<p>(19) This Regulation should add two Interreg-specific objectives, one to support an Interreg-specific objective strengthening institutional capacity, enhancing legal and administrative cooperation, in particular where linked to implementation of the Border Regions Communication, intensify cooperation between citizens and institutions and the development and coordination of macro-regional and sea-basin strategies, and one to address specific external cooperation issues such as safety, security, border crossing management and migration.</p>	<p><i>(no change)</i></p>	<p>(19) This Regulation should add two Interreg-specific objectives, one to support an Interreg-specific objective strengthening institutional capacity, enhancing legal and administrative cooperation, in particular where linked to implementation of the Border Regions Communication, intensify cooperation between citizens and institutions and the development and coordination of macro-regional and sea-basin strategies, build up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions, and one to address specific external cooperation issues such as safety, security, border crossing management and migration.</p>		704

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<p>(27) Member States should be encouraged to assign the functions of the managing authority to an EGTC or to make such a grouping, like other cross-border legal bodies, responsible for managing a sub-programme, an integrated territorial investment or one or more small project funds, or to act as sole partner.</p> <p>The provisions on the annual audit opinion, the annual control report and the audits of operations should therefore be simplified and adapted to those programmes involving more than one Member States.</p>	<p>27) Member States should be encouraged to assign, where appropriate, delegate the functions of the managing authority to an a new or, where applicable, an existing EGTC or to make such a grouping, like other cross-border legal bodies, responsible for managing a sub-programme, an integrated territorial investment or one or more small project funds, or to act as sole partner. Member States should enable regional and local authorities and other public bodies from different Member States to set up such cooperation groupings with a legal personality and should involve local and</p>			705

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	<i>regional authorities in their functioning.</i> [Am. 27]			