

How can the regional level learn from each other on innovation?  
How can the regional context contribute to smart specialisation?

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## Context

- Regional Innovation Strategies (RIS) was promoted in line with the objectives of the Cohesion Policy, in particular during 2007-2013
- **RIS are designed and primarily implemented by Regional authorities**
- In this process, Regional Innovation Agencies (RIAs) were created or adapted from existing Regional Development Agencies
- **RIAs supports the implementation of the RIS...in different ways but closely to all relevant regional actors of the innovation ecosystem**
- **RIS for 2014 – 2020?**

# PERIA

- 2010 - 2012
- aimed at increasing the efficiency of work between Regional authorities and Regional Innovation Agency (RIA) at European level
- highlights that each RIA is specific to its region
- allows personalised exchange and transfer of services and tools **It insists on the fact that Regional authorities or Regional Innovation Agencies needs to be linked to other regional actors to succeed in strengthening the regional innovation ecosystem, and finally the regional economic growth**

## PERIA

- supports the implementation of new practices for regional innovation tools and services and improvement of existing ones at political and operational level
- fosters exchange between European actors on regional innovation policy and **inspires other regions** in implementing relevant innovation support through Regional Innovation Agencies
- is supported by **European Regional Development Funds** within the frame of Interreg IVC and by co-financing from PERIA partners
- engages Regional authorities and regional innovation agencies in another approach for the implementation of their Regional Innovation Strategy with the developing concept of **Smart specialisation**
- foresees **sustainability** beyond the end of the project

## Context

The two workshops focus on **regional innovation policy** monitored by **regional authorities** and on the tool to implement them: **Regional Innovation Agencies**

## HOW CAN WE LEARN FROM EACH OTHER?

- Testimonials of territorial cooperation in the field of regional innovation, which were carried out by the partners of the INTERREG IVc project
- Examples of good practices exchanges and of obtained results that were conducted between the partner regions

# LOOKING AHEAD: FROM REGIONAL INNOVATION STRATEGY TO RIS3 (« smart specialisation strategy»)

- Conceptual aspects and implementation of smart specialisation : global approach and tools
- Roles of regional authorities and regional innovation agencies in the RIS3
- Introducing regional examples of the implementation of smart specialisation at the regional level

Thank you for your attention!

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