

## Cross-border Cooperation and EU-Strategy for the Danube Region

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#### Overview from INTERREG or ETC in AT and NÖ since 1995:

#### INTERREG IIA (1995-1999):

- •797 Projects and 35,2 Mio. € ERDF in AT (ar. 44.000 € per Project)
  - •therefrom **173** and 5,5 Mio. € ERDF in NÖ (ar. 38.000 € per Project)

#### INTERREG IIIA (2000-2006):

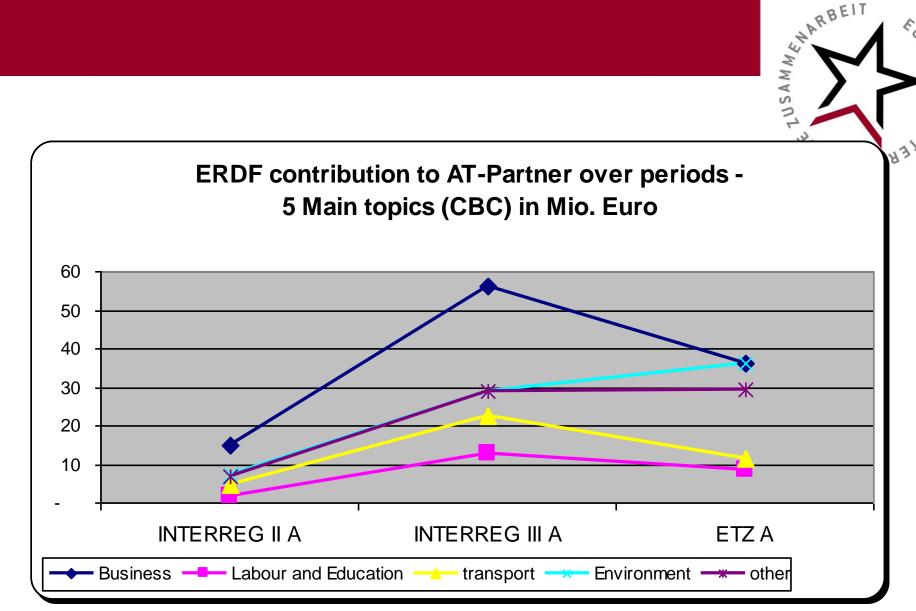
- 1.301 Projects and 149,3 Mio. € ERDF in AT (ar. 115.000 € per Project)
  - •therefrom **244** and 29,6 Mio. € ERDF in NÖ (ar. 121.000 € per Project)

#### ETZ (2007-2013):

- •388 Projects and 121,2 Mio. € ERDF in AT (ar. 312.000 € per Project)
  - therefrom **105** and 25,3 Mio. € ERDF in NÖ (ar. 241.000 € per Project)

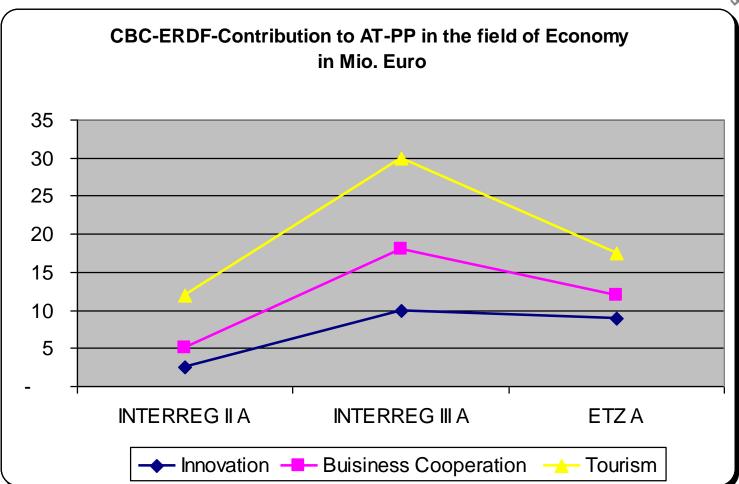










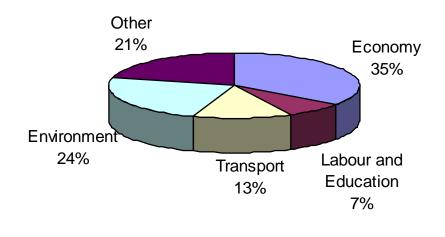








### Distribution of ERDF contribution over the periods and topics









### **Territorial Cooperation programmes**

3 Strands of Cooperation

**Cross-border** cooperation programmes

**Transnational** cooperation programmes

Interregional cooperation programme







### <u>Territorial Cooperation programmes</u>

**Cross-border** cooperation programmes

- promoting integrated regional development between neighbouring border regions, including external borders
- developing cross-border economic and social cooperation through joint strategies and development programmes.







### <u>Territorial Cooperation programmes</u>

#### **Transnational** cooperation programmes

- aim to promote **integration across groupings of European regions**, to encourage a sustainable and balanced development of the European territory.
- •These programmes also promote better integration between the Member States and candidate countries and other neighbouring countries







### **Territorial Cooperation programmes**

Interregional cooperation programme

pan-European level, covering all EU-27 Member States

to develop **good practice** and facilitate the exchange and transfer of experience by successful regions







### European Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) (1)

#### 11 Priority Areas

- 1) To improve mobility and intermodality
- 2) To encourage more sustainable energy
- 3) To promote culture and tourism, people to people contacts
- 4) To restore and maintain the quality of waters
- 5)\_To manage environmental risks





#### European Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) (2)

- 6) To preserve biodiversity, landscapes and the quality of air and soils
- 7) To develop the knowledge society (research, education and ICT)
- 8) To support the competitiveness of enterprises
- 9) To invest in people and skills
- 10)To step up institutional capacity and cooperation
- 11)To work together to tackle security and organised crime







## Territorial Cooperation programmes adding value to EUSDR (1)

unique system of **multilevel governance** mobilising a wide range of regional and local stakeholders

framework for **cross-sectoral approaches** adapted to specific contexts even beyond national borders







### Territorial Cooperation programmes adding value to EUSDR (2)

already today, many cross-border projects are linked to the Danube Region

working community (e.g. ARGE Donauländer) to share and exchange good practices







## Territorial Cooperation programmes adding value to EUSDR (3)

ETC programmes do not exist in isolation

Make a better use of **up- und down- scaling** and synergies between the cooperation programmes

or have strong links to the Convergence and Competitiveness programmes







## Examples of Territorial Cooperation projects with adding value to EUSDR (1)

DUO\*\*STARS (ETC SK-AT)

Aim is to **safeguard** existing regional added value in production and in the **supplier industry**, and to expand this if possible.

Knowledge, innovations and technologies are to be developed even more quickly and marketed more effectively through **trans-regional cluster** structures.







## Examples of Territorial Cooperation projects with adding value to EUSDR (2)

AKK (Alpine - Carpathian - Corridor) (ETC SK-AT)

safeguard the **ecological connectivity** between the Alps and the Carpathians by especially embedding **cross-sectoral instruments** of spatial planning, transport and nature protection and to trigger sustainable development which considers the requirements of both humans and wildlife, **focus** on ecological bottlenecks in the **programme region** (SK-AT) **with transnational impacts**.







## Examples of Territorial Cooperation projects with adding value to EUSDR (3)

SONDAR (ETC CZ-AT, SK-AT and HU-AT)

Same Aim between the programmes, Soil Strategy Network in the Danube Region with differents focus between programmes (e.g. soil and Flood, soil as a filter)







# Thank you for your attention!

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