



# The Future of INTERREG



Annual Event North Sea Region  
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# 20 minutes....what to expect?



# Or something like this?





# So, let's get to work



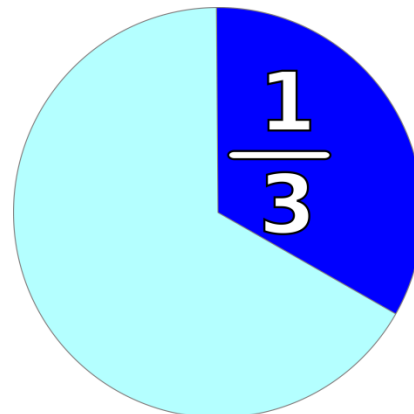
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## what's up with the balloons?

# What's the future for INTERREG?



# Different world...



...the clock  
is ticking

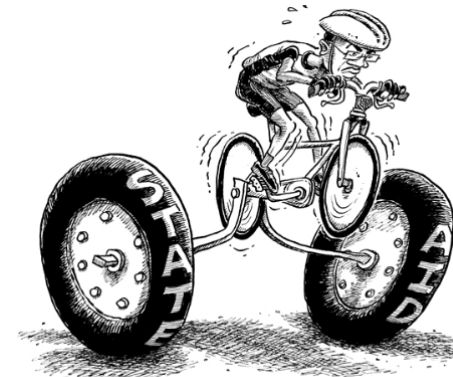


# What's the message?



# Some thoughts

- Too many programmes?
- Too many rules?
- No more state aid?





# Time to inflate your balloons

A word cloud featuring various terms in different colors and sizes. The words are: pilots (green, vertical), more (green, horizontal), less (orange, horizontal), audits (red, horizontal), rules (green, horizontal), experiments (dark red, horizontal), flexibility (green, horizontal), focus (yellow, horizontal), programmes (green, horizontal), cofinancing (orange, horizontal), investments (yellow, horizontal), and regulation (orange, vertical). The words are arranged in a cluster, with 'pilots' and 'more' being the largest.

# Scenario's: which one?

- **Business as usual**
  - Same programme
  - Same budget



- **Territorial approach: Macro Regional Strategies?**
  - Strenghtens Cohesion
  - But who manages?



# Scenario's: which one?

- **Functional approach: functional partners**
  - Clear indicators
  - But what about geography?



- **One fully integrated programme: managed by European Commission**
  - Clear indicators
  - But what about geography?



European Commission

- **Upstream integration: ex-ante conditionality Mainstream Programmes**



# Or....

- What are your thoughts?
- Share them on your balloons!





# That's it! Thanks for your input!



# More information?



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# Vision CPMR Cohesion Policy post 2020

- Cohesion policy for all EU regions
- Cohesion policy based on the subsidiarity and the partnership principle
- More simplification and flexibility
- Reinforcement of the role of regions in the governance of cohesion policy
- Strong territorial and functional approach
- Right balance between grants and financial instruments