

EC consultations Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) post 2027 **Three consultations key to the Interreg Europe programme**

The European Commission will put forward comprehensive proposals for the post-2027 MFF and for the next generation of programmes later this year. The Commission launched seven public consultations on the next MFF on 12 February 2025 to gather feedback and finetune their proposals.

- **Deadline**

The consultations are open **until 6 May 2025**.

The pages with the consultations require a lot of clicking before the actual questionnaires open. Patience is key. You can see on each consultations' page how many people replied already.

- **How to fill in the questionnaire**

You need to [log in to the EU platform](#) to fill in the online questionnaire (one per consultation).

If you took part in *the EU Regions Week* in Brussels recently, you most likely have the EU account. If not, you can register at the [EU's transparency register](#) to be able to provide feedback.

- **The questionnaires**

There are seven open public consultations on the MFF:

1. [Implementing EU Funds with Member States and regions](#)
2. [EU funding for competitiveness](#)
3. [EU funding for external action](#)
4. [EU funding for civil protection, preparedness, and response to crises](#)
5. [EU funding for cross-border education, training and solidarity, youth, media, culture, and creative sectors, values, and civil society](#)
6. [EU funding for the single market, and cooperation between national authorities](#)
7. [Performance of the EU budget](#)

Three of them are of particular importance for the future of **interregional cooperation**:

- **Consultation 1: EU's next long-term budget (MFF) – implementing EU funding with Member States and regions** (around 9 minutes to fill)
Includes the **Cohesion Policy**.

Interreg Europe is a programme implemented with EU Member States and regions in so-called **shared management**. Your contribution to this consultation can make a difference. You might want to look for questions about **multi-country projects** and express your support for them. There are also text fields below the questionnaire in which you may **mention Interreg Europe directly**. You can also attach documents in support of your contribution.

https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/14520-EUs-next-long-term-budget-MFF-implementing-EU-funding-with-Member-States-and-regions/public-consultation_en

- **Consultation 3: EU's next long-term budget (MFF) – EU funding for external action** (around 10 minutes to fill)

Covers EU external funding implemented in **partner countries**, sometime in cooperation with EU Members States.

Interreg Europe has seven Partner States (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland and Ukraine). If you like to keep this cooperation area in the future, you might want to open and fill in this questionnaire as well. Again, there is a text field at the end plus the possibility to attach a document with this questionnaire.

https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/14522-EUs-next-long-term-budget-MFF-EU-funding-for-external-action_en

- **Consultation 7: EU's next long-term budget (MFF) – performance of the EU budget**

This consultation focuses on the performance dimension of the EU budget, meaning:

1) the tools used to promote general priorities and principles across the EU budget (e.g. gender equality, digitalisation, climate and biodiversity, 'do no significant harm' to climate or environmental objectives), to ensure that EU spending is geared towards those objectives (also sometimes referred to as 'mainstreaming');

2) the performance framework, including to monitor and report how effectively the EU budget is achieving its objectives.

https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/14526-EUs-next-long-term-budget-MFF-performance-of-the-EU-budget_en

Encourage others to take part in the public consultations

The consultations are open to both EU and non-EU citizens representing public authorities, NGOs, academia and research institutions, companies and businesses, or other beneficiaries of cooperation programmes like Interreg Europe and EU funding. Please use your channels and encourage other stakeholders to take part and highlight the role Interreg Europe played for them and may play in the future.

 **Information on the Interreg Europe programme and projects:**

www.interregeurope.eu

Approved projects:

<https://www.interregeurope.eu/search-approved-projects>