

# AGENDA

## Interact Seminar on Interreg III A programmes concerning Switzerland

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Programme :	Questions :	Animation :
<b>Tuesday, 4th of April 2006 :</b>		
18.30 Arrival of participants		
19.00 Introduction of participants. Clarification of themes to be discussed		Interact Point
20.00 Dinner		
<b>Wednesday, 5th of April 2006 :</b>		
9.00 Introduction		Interact Point
<b>The Swiss managing system within Interreg III / within the Swiss New Regional Policy (2008-2015)</b>	<b>Presentation</b>	Anne Le Duigou Bernig, seco
Discussion :	How to make the thematic priorities coincide on the European and on the Swiss side? Is it possible to imagine common priorities at a programme level (even if it means that some topics wouldn't be eligible anymore, although they could be according to EU regulation) ? Difference between Swiss expenditure and EU/European national funding: Would it be better to reduce the Swiss participation in the projects in the beginning of the programme or to adjust it at the end of the programme?	
9.45 <b>Projects selection criteria</b>	<b>Presentation of the I-CH system</b>	Programme I-CH ?
Discussion :	Are selection criteria the same for all 4 programmes ? Is it possible to imagine defining common selection criteria for the future ? Is it possible to have one single form for the EU and the Swiss parts (at a programme level) ? Raising effects of small projects or small Swiss participation	
10.45 <i>Break</i>		
11.00 <b>The monitoring system</b>	<b>Presentation of the monitoring software</b>	Programme ABH ?
Discussion :	What is already foreseen for the future in each programme ? Which data are important for the Swiss side ? For the EU side ?	
12.00 <i>Lunch</i>		
13.30 <b>Financial controlling</b>	<b>Presentation of the system of the programme Upper Rhine Center South</b>	Anne Rouessard (programme OMS)
Discussion :	The current control system for Swiss expenditure : How to improve it (eg. clearer definition of the independent auditor tasks) ? Can we find common rules (reimbursement of paid expenditures / schedule of controlling) ? Can we imagine to have only one controlling point for both EU and Swiss expenditures (eg. JTS) ?	
14.30 <b>Eligibility criteria</b>	<b>Presentation of the current rules for the Swiss side</b>	Programme F-CH ?
Discussion :	Do common rules exist in some programmes ? Is it possible to imagine them for the future ? Would it be helpful / necessary ? How to manage the necessary changes ? Could an agreement of the Committee be enough ?	

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15.30 *Break*  
15.45 **Preparing "Interreg IV"**

Discussion :

16.15 Conclusions / feedback  
17.00 *End of the seminar*

**Presentation**  
**Presentation of the current discussions in the regions**

Have discussions already started in the different regions?

How do the regions visualise the next programmes?

Which priorities? / Budget? / Calendar for negotiations?

How could the management structures work more efficiently? (E.g.: by combining monitoring and steering committees / by improving collaboration between European and Swiss Interreg actors / by improving collaboration with project partners...)

*Interact Point*  
*All programmes*

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