

:Number	Questions	Answers	Logic
Title	Synergies and Collaboration		
Intro text	<p>Please take a few minutes to answer the questionnaire provided here. The questionnaire focuses on Interreg's work in improving synergies and collaboration of Interreg programmes. Your responses will be used in Interact's work on synergies and in their consultation report on Post 2027 to the European Commission. They will also be used to prepare for the Synergies session during the Post 2027 Harvesting Event.</p> <p>Your input is essential to us! We kindly request each Interreg programme to submit one</p>		
	A. A focus on Synergies and collaboration in Interreg		
Text field *	1. What has worked well for your programme in working closely with other programmes? Please provide a brief description of example(s).		
Text field *	2. What needs to be improved to enhance synergies across programmes, Interreg, and beyond?		

Single choice *	3. Do you see a need for a definition of synergies?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Yes, I believe it should be included in the regulation b. Yes, I think it should be in a guidance document c. Yes, I'm in favour of providing a definition, but it should be only for guidance and not binding d. I'm not in favour of including a definition of synergies, but yes, a reference on synergies as a principle for Interreg e. I'm not in favour of including a definition of synergies or a reference anywhere f. Other (please specify) 	
Single choice *	4. How should the work on synergies across Interreg, or with other EU funds and beyond, be enhanced?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Establishing incentives b. Making the work on synergies mandatory c. Having a reference as a principle and a requirement for the Programming Document. As it is in the current situation. d. With Guidance Documents e. On a voluntary basis and proving its benefits f. Other (please specify) 	
Text field	5. What incentives would you mention to boost synergies?		
Multiple choice	6. If there is a requirement for synergies, what preconditions shall be in place to succeed?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Clear requirements set in the regulation/guidance document for Interreg and other funds, programmes 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Definition of expectations from the synergies process c. Implementation guidelines d. Giving more responsibility and budget allocation to programme countries e. Definition of responsibilities within the programme (National Authorities, programme bodies) f. Emphasising the roles of all Interreg strands g. Definition of different functions between CBC and TN programmes, with TN as overarching "umbrellas" h. Additional staff devoted to work specifically on synergies such as a "Liaison Officer" i. Develop a plan for creating synergies, including capitalization activities/actions, and then follow up on its implementation. j. Increasing the use of tools (e.g. Index, keep.eu, Kohesio) to address data deficiencies and improve data quality k. Adjust reporting to the EC on programme implementation 	
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Multiple choice	7. What are practical ways to make synergies happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Capitalisation activities and calls (identification, collecting, analysing and disseminating knowledge and practices learned from current and past projects) b. Informative policy and thematic meetings c. Joint Communication activities d. Joint advocacy e. Other (please specify) 	
Text field *	8. How does your programme use capitalisation to foster synergies with other programmes or projects, and what specific actions or strategies have been most effective in achieving this?		
Single choice *	9. Should there be a reference or list of programmes, funds, or institutions with which Interreg programmes may collaborate to achieve synergies, depending on their needs?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Yes, I believe such a reference or list should be included in the regulation b. Yes, I think it should be in a guidance document but such collaboration should not be mandatory c. No, I'm not in favour of mentioning specific programme, fund or institution for synergies d. Other (please specify) 	

Single choice *	10. I am in favour of referring to synergies with Interreg in other policies and funding regulations, such as in Horizon, LIFE, ESF+	a. Yes b. No	
Single choice *	11. Can EU Macro-Regional Strategies and Sea Basin Strategies as frameworks, with their governance structures, can be further exploited to work on synergies for territorial benefit?	a. Yes b. No	
Text field *	12. If your answer is 'Yes', please list what needs to be improved to exploit these frameworks for synergies successfully.		
Text field *	13. What additional question(s) or aspects for synergies do you suggest us to consider, please list them here:		

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