

Cooperation actions

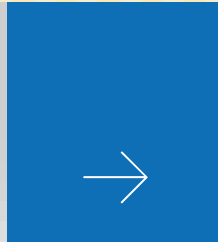
How to find the right approach for supporting cooperation actions?

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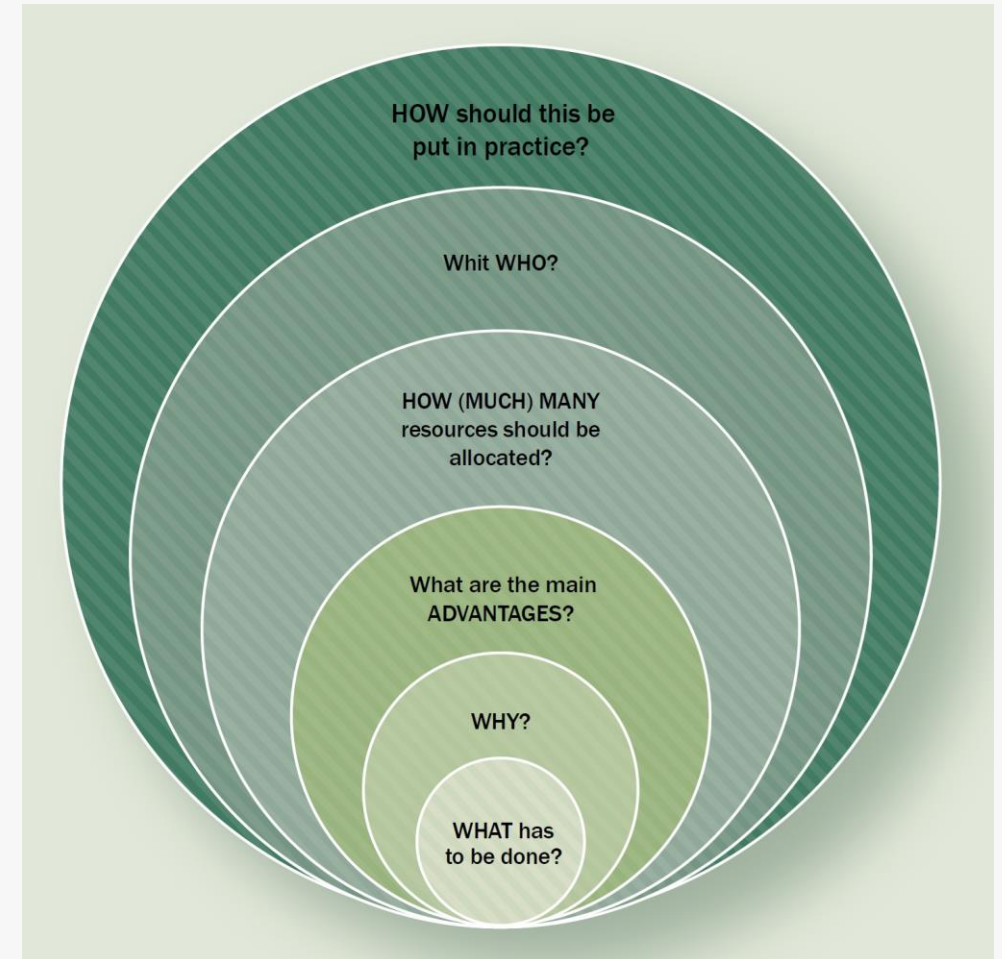
Firsts steps to build cooperation actions

Group work:

Let's discuss together with your colleagues around the table which are the most important steps in building up a cooperation actions partnership: what do we need to know in advance and how should we start. Please share your experience.

Cooperation actions builder

The Guidelines on Cooperation under IJG goal 2020+ propose a simple way to build up your cooperation actions, including several steps/stages of its development.



Steps of development - 1

What are the main
ADVANTAGES?

Allowing the possibility to use IJG funds to fund joint cooperation actions outside the eligible OP area gives a direct advantage on the consistent implementation of actions complementary to OP priorities.

WHY?

Cooperation beyond borders can bring great added value to regional development, allowing partners to exchange practices and experiences for their joint development, to address common regional, national and global problems.

WHAT has to be
done?

The planned activities should be supported by evidence (SWOT analysis or reference to ex-ante evaluation) and should include a description of the types of interventions to carry out. The themes should be coherent with the priorities of the region and the ROP strategy.

Steps of development - 2

HOW (MUCH)
MANY resources
should be allocated?

Specifying how much money or resources a territory or programme intends to allocate to this type of cooperation is not mandatory. Of course, if a territory or programme wishes to do so, it can specify either the actual amount or a percentage from the financial plan budget.

With WHOM to
cooperate?

The choice of cooperation partner should be the result of the partner search activity. This can be conducted with the help of the European Commission (desk officers), other EU platforms, Chambers of Commerce or Regional Offices and representations, national contact points, and of course - Interact.

HOW should this be
put into practice?

The next steps to plan for include the implementation methods and approaches, such as: creating call(s) for proposals with the corresponding administrative steps, drafting application packages, organising networking and partnership event(s), setting up technical assistance services.

Time for group work

The steps in the Interact's guidelines were elaborated based on the experience from the previous period, reflecting as much as possible the new legal framework.

After reviewing them, do you find them sufficient or would you rather suggest to expand them. Please share how!

Also, in case you have a methodology of your own, please details the steps you considered important!

