

# Indicators in action/2

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**4 October 2024, 9.30-12.00 CET**

**Informal working group on indicator meeting: Sharing insights on implementing RCOs and RCRs used in 21-27 (focusing on common indicators)**

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### Background information

The adoption of common indicators for Interreg has been successful. After the initial years of implementation, it's crucial to review practical experiences with these indicators. At the Interreg Knowledge Fair (IKF), we had a preliminary exchange and identified the need for deeper discussion to ensure a shared and supportive approach. During the May 15 online meeting, we established the process and methodology for our informal working group to refine our approach to these indicators. At our second meeting on June 24, we began a detailed examination of the most popular common indicators for Interreg. This discussion is part of a broader conversation about the future of common indicators for the next period.

Further activities planned for 2024 include

- a summer survey among all programmes,
- an in-person meeting in Vienna on October 22-23 to discuss key findings and draw major conclusions,
- and the “Harvesting Event” taking place most likely on November 25-26, 2024.

The goal for 2024 is to provide first-hand experience to the Commission for drafting the future legal package expected by mid-2025. The whole process was developed together with the members of the informal working group and in close cooperation with Dora O’Neill and John Walsh from DG Regio’s Evaluation and European Semester unit.

### Objectives

In this meeting, we will continue discussing commonly used Interreg indicators that have generated debate in previous discussions (IKF session in Riga March 5 and the online events on May 15, June 24). We will focus on your feedback, provided in the Excel file, regarding the following indicators:

#### Common Output Indicators

RCO116: Jointly developed solutions

RCO87: Organizations cooperating across borders

#### Common Result Indicators

RCR79: Joint strategies and action plans taken up

RCR84: Organizations cooperating post-project

We will evaluate each indicator based on its description, programming definition and interpretation, assumptions and calculation issues, guidance to applicants, contracting challenges, project monitoring, communication on results, proposed amendments, and additional comments.



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**Thank you for your time and providing your feedback on these indicators using the excel template!**

If times allows, we'll review any other Interreg common indicators and programme-specific indicators suggested by you. This discussion will then continue in the Vienna meeting.

The meeting is targeted at colleagues interested in our informal working group on indicators. Your participation and commitment to all planned activities and events until late autumn are crucial. If you are not yet a member of the informal working group on indicators and are interested in participating in this meeting, please contact us!

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### Day One

Friday, 4 October 2024

09.25 – 09.30

Onboarding

09.30 – 11.45

Incl. comfort  
break

#### Discussion of the common indicators

*Interact in close cooperation with DG Regio (John Walsh, Dora O'Neill)*

- Present summary of the feedback received from the members of the informal working group
- Identify what is effective and what needs improvement; propose potential strategies for enhancement.
- Discussion round and Q&A

*Objective:* Develop a shared understanding of the seven common indicators by examining challenges and best practices.

11.45 – 12.25

#### Draft results and feedback from the survey

*DG Regio (John Walsh, Dora O'Neill)*

- Present the key findings of the survey.
- Discussion round and Q&A

*Objective:* Agreement on the main findings of the survey.

12.25 – 12.30

#### Wrap up and next steps

*Interact in close cooperation with DG Regio*

- Next steps
- Q&A

*Objectives:* agreement on the process and the next steps