



sailing  
together

# How to increase your cooperation capacity: Get an insight into Programme Measure 4.1

Växjö, Sweden 25 October 2023

**Interreg**



Co-funded by  
the European Union

**South Baltic**

[WWW.SOUTHBALTIC.EU](http://WWW.SOUTHBALTIC.EU)



INNOVATIVE



SUSTAINABLE

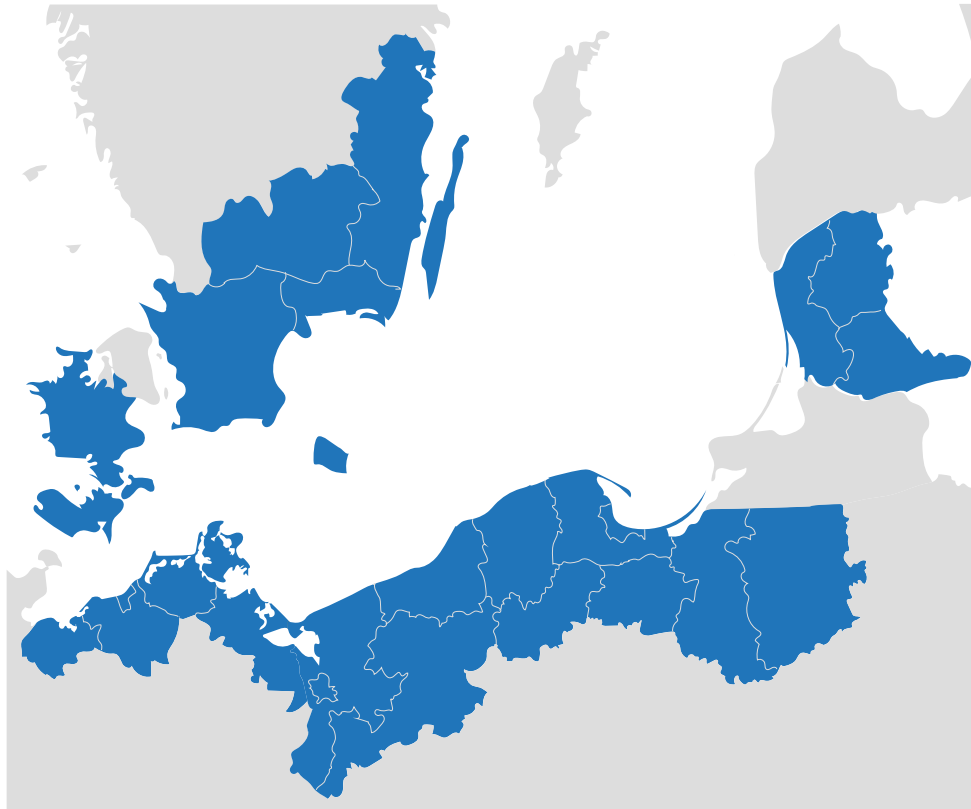


ATTRACTIVE



ACTIVE

**Let's get to know each other!**  
**+**  
**What are your expectations?**



United by the Sea  
into action for a  
blue and green  
future

Innovative,  
Sustainable,  
Attractive and  
**Active** South  
Baltic

## Active South Baltic Measure 4.1

Strengthen the cooperation capacity of actors based within the South Baltic Area (including civil society)

The total ERDF funding  
after 1<sup>st</sup> Call of Proposals  
allocated to the PRIORITY AXIS 4  
Active South Baltic is:

**7 991 656,00 EUR**

# What problems do we face?

- ▲ insufficient level of knowledge and technology transfer

as well

- ▲ insufficient exchange of information

between different groups of stakeholders (e.g., public entities, NGOs local bodies and organisations)

# What does the Programme support?

- ▲ Overcoming obstacles in cross-border cooperation to ensure its benefits to diverse groups
- ▲ Strengthening the cross-border cooperation, networking and developing relationships with local actors.
- ▲ Influence on the capacity building of the actors to strengthen the confidence among participating stakeholders.

## What can I do? Exemplary actions

- ▲ Delivering initiatives (training, workshops etc.) aimed at strengthening the networking and cooperation capacity of local actors
- ▲ Supporting local self-government administration/agencies and other institutions (e.g., NGOs) building multi-level governance and supporting cross-border dialogue
- ▲ Supporting development of stronger links between citizens and institutions at a cross-border level.
- ▲ Engage youth into civil society and actions of cross-border dimension.

## What can I do?

### Exemplary actions

- ▲ Increase involvement of local actors (*e.g., NGOs, cultural institutions, non formalised organisations, organisations supporting people with disabilities and from vulnerable groups*) in cross-border project development and intercultural dialogue.
- ▲ Promote measures among local actor groups to promote cooperation culture.
- ▲ Develop and promote models and networks gathering diverse actors to improve the cooperation capacity.



# Who can be a project partner?

## Exemplary types of beneficiaries

- ▲ Local and regional authorities and their associations
- ▲ NGOs
- ▲ Local action groups
- ▲ Schools, higher education and R&D institutions
- ▲ Chambers of commerce, business development agencies and other business support organisations (e.g. business accelerators, incubators, labour market institutions etc.)

# Who can be a project partner?

## Exemplary types of beneficiaries

- ▲ SMEs
- ▲ Institutions of natural, culture and national heritage protection
- ▲ Public health institutions
- ▲ Associations, clusters and networks of SMEs
- ▲ European Groupings of Territorial Cooperation

**NEWCOMERS are very welcomed!**

# To whom should I address activities?

## Main target groups

- ▲ Small local actors:
  - ▲ public entities operating at the local level
  - ▲ local municipalities
  - ▲ non-governmental organisations
- ▲ Citizens

# Outputs and results indicators

| Output indicators  | Result indicators   |
|--|---|
| <b>Obligatory indicators</b>   |   |
| Organisations cooperating across borders   | Organisations cooperating across borders after project completion       |
| <b>Optional indicators</b><br><br><i>(Projects shall select and contribute to other Programme indicators according to the focus and activities of the project)</i> |   |
| Participations in joint actions across borders   | Participations in joint actions across borders after project completion |

# Outputs indicators

## Organisations cooperating across borders (OBLIGATORY)

- ▲ organisations cooperating formally in the supported projects (project partners and associated partners listed in the AF)
- ▲ projects must include activities aiming at establishing official cooperation in the project (e.g., network, cluster, platform, etc.)
- ▲ the organisation shall stay in the project for at least one full reporting period (project partners must submit at least one partner progress report to be counted)

# Outputs indicators

## Participations in joint actions across borders (OPTIONAL)

- ▲ number of people attending a joint action across borders implemented in the project – e.g., citizens, volunteers, students, pupils, public officials, etc.
- ▲ participations are counted for each joint action, based on attendance lists or other relevant means of quantification
- ▲ joint action - action organised with the involvement of project partners from at least two participating countries
- ▲ project staff, associated partners, external experts taking part in internal partnership meetings are NOT COUNTED

# Result indicators

## Organisations cooperating across borders after project completion (OBLIGATORY)

- ▲ network/cluster/platform/etc. must be created in the framework of the project
- ▲ cooperation must be properly documented (e.g., registry document, memorandum of understanding signed by the members, etc.); In the document, it must be clearly identifiable which project and associated partners joined the cooperation established in the project
- ▲ the sustained cooperation does not have to cover the same topic as addressed by the completed project.

# Result indicators

## Participations in joint actions across borders after project completion (optional but obligatory if RCO81 is used )

- ▲ number of people attending a joint action across borders after the completion of the project, organised by all or some (minimum two partners from two countries) of the former partners or associated organisations within the project, as a continuation of cooperation
- ▲ participations are counted for each joint action, based on attendance lists or other relevant means of quantification
- ▲ **The achievement of this indicator is monitored in the final project report. Therefore, the joint event(s) shall take place after the project's end date, but before the submission of the final project report**



# How to prepare a good project proposal?

## General tips – separate workshop in the agenda

- ▲ Make sure that your proposal is in line with Programme rules and fits to the selected Programme Measure
- ▲ Make sure that cross-border approach is demonstrated (problem/challenge; partnership; cooperation)
- ▲ Make sure that your proposal positively contributes to all horizontal principles
- ▲ While writing be precise, don't make things too complicated
- ▲ Take part in project ideas consultation

**Good luck!**

Time for  
**group work**  
and  
**short quiz**

Alone we can do so little.  
Together we can do so much.

*Hellen Keller*





sailing  
together

# Thank you!

Agnieszka Limanówka | Project Officer | [Agnieszka.limanowka@southbaltic.eu](mailto:Agnieszka.limanowka@southbaltic.eu)

Ancor Armas Martin | Project Officer | [ancor.armasmartin@southbaltic.eu](mailto:ancor.armasmartin@southbaltic.eu)

**Interreg**



Co-funded by  
the European Union

**South Baltic**

Joint Secretariat

Plac Porozumienia Gdańskiego 1, 80-864 Gdańsk, Poland  
tel. +48 58 746 38 55

[southbaltic@southbaltic.eu](mailto:southbaltic@southbaltic.eu)