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Inspire Policy Making with Territorial Evidence

Progress on the implementation of the Single Operation

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New applied research activities

Interregional
relations in Europe

Cultural heritage as
a source of societal
well-being in
European regions

Digital transition of
government and
public services

New Targeted analyses (selected in 2019)

- **Territorial development scenarios for the functional area of central Europe** (Vienna City administration, AT)
- **Developing a metropolitan - regional imaginary, based on an interrelated approach to analysing sociospatial effects of economic restructuring in Milan - Bologna** (Metropolitan city of Milan, IT)
- **European Research for Maritime Eco(nomic)clusters governance Strategy** (Liguria region, IT)
- **Evaluating spatial planning practices with digital plan data** (Danish business authority, DK)

Targeted analyses 2019



**Call for proposals for
targeted analyses**

4 more targeted analyses to be selected in 2019

Last! cut-off date on 28 June 2019

Online tools (to be launched)

Tool for mapping
soft territorial
cooperation areas

Analytical tool for
spatial comparisons
(Hyperatlas)

Online mapping tool
(RIMAP)

State of EU Territory report

Aims at:

- Supporting **post-2020 programming** (national, regional, local and territorial cooperation programmes)
- Supporting the development of **regional and local development strategies** in the context of the proposals on future EU policies
- Providing contributions to the development of the European Commission's **8th Cohesion Report**

Supporting the debate on **UA and TA post 2020**

Content:

- Observations of the main territorial development **trends** in Europe
- **Practical advice** to national, regional and local authorities and stakeholders for designing and implementing their integrated territorial development strategies and EU funded programmes

Outreach:

- ESPON seminar in Finland 2019




Forthcoming policy briefs

- Digital urbanism: sustainable innovation in cities (FI)
- Cross-border e-health services
- Economic diversification through material cultural heritage
- Responsive transport planning in transnational growth corridors
- Transition to green regional economies



Digital interactive country fiches




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Country fiche


Territorial patterns and relations in Norway

Economy
 Ecosystems and renewables
 Territorial challenges



Interactive version: www.espon.eu/norway

Economy | Ecosystems and renewables | Territorial challenges



Economy

- Economic integration
- Small and medium-sized enterprises
- Foreign Direct Investment
- Unemployment
- Knowledge economy

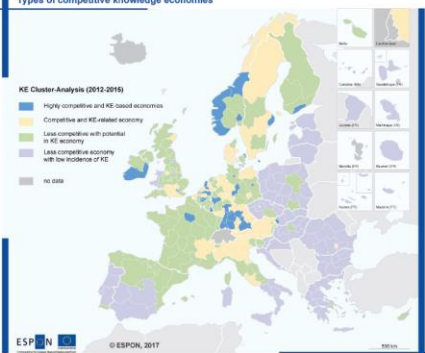
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Economy | Ecosystems and renewables | Territorial challenges

Types of competitive knowledge economies

KE Cluster-Analysis (2012-2015)

- Highly competitive and KE-based economies
- Competitive and KE-related economy
- Less competitive with potential in KE economy
- Less competitive economy with low incidence of KE
- no data




SMEs in Knowledge Economy

The knowledge economy is one of the most dynamic sectors of the European economy. Knowledge-based hubs are concentrated in southern Germany, Paris, Helsinki, Stockholm, Dublin, and the western Norwegian and Swedish coasts. Areas with lower potential are found in Spain, Portugal, Greece and Italy. In these countries specialized and highly skilled labour required for ICT and engineering is less available due to brain drain caused by labour migration.

In Norway, a high share of employment in knowledge and creative industries has led to a rise in SME employment overall. The areas with a highly competitive knowledge-based economy in Vest-Agder, Rogaland, Hordaland, Sogn Og Fjordane, More Og Romsdal, Oslo and Akershus. Competitive knowledge economies are more prominent in the northern regions of Nordland, Troms and Finnmark, Hedmark, Oppland Buskerud and Telemark represent areas with potential for knowledge-based economies to be established.

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Cross-border economic development
 for Scandinavia and the Green Belt cases



Economic growth in the cross-border area over the past few years has varied from moderate in the more rural regions (which also feature meagre demographic prospects and decreasing population), to strong in the most industrialised regions. There is considerable variation across the programme area regarding which sectors dominate the local economy: some regions have extensive forestry or agriculture industries in their respective counties (e.g. Hedland in Norway or Värmland in Sweden), others host large clusters of industrial production (the automobile industry centred around Trollhättan, Sweden). Innovative capacity, especially outside the urban centres of the programme area, is highlighted as a specific challenge.

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EWRC 2019



The future development of the European territory

What role do ESIF financial instruments play in territorial cohesion?

Understanding the economic impact of cultural heritage in European regions

How can we support cities and regions in their transition to a Circular Economy?

Youth unemployment: Territorial trends and regional resilience

Fighting food waste while boosting local economic activity

ESPON Exhibition and Stakeholders Talks

Green Infrastructure: enhancing ecosystem services for territorial development

Adapting cities to population ageing, ESPON evidence on age-friendly cities

Macro-regional strategies: the spatial dimension in BSR and EUSALP

A Macro-regional tool in the making: evidence from ESPON and inputs to post 2020

Enhancing European Territorial Cooperation through Better Evidence

Digital innovation in urban environments

Seminar in Helsinki



- ESPON Seminar, 27-28 November 2019, on:
 - Digital innovation in Urban Areas
 - Launch of the State of the European Territory Report
- Finland presidency in Territorial Cohesion
 - Contribute to the drafting of the Territorial Agenda of the EU
 - View the possibilities of the digitalisation for territories as part of the theme digital innovation in urban environments
- Finland presidency in urban matters
 - Support the successful implementation of the Urban Agenda for the EU
 - Highlight a specific theme: digital innovation in urban environments – solutions for sustainable and fluently working cities

Transnational outreach events

	TG I (Central)	TG II (Northern)	TG III (Western)	TG IV (Southern)
2019	Seminar Vienna (4 th April)	Conference Oulu (22 nd May)	Training Brussels (9 th April)	Workshop Nicosia (27 th March)
	E-learning (10 th + 11 th April)	Training Riga (5 th June)	Conference The Hague (17 th April)	Seminar Bucharest, Romania (October)
	Seminar Dresden (11 th June)	Training Aalborg, Denmark (30 th September) ESPON TIA Tool	E-learning (November) Successful cross-border public services: how to increase the viability of services of general interest funded by cross-border programmes?	Territorial dimension of labour markets in Southern Europe
	Training Bratislava, Slovakia (27 th June) ESPON Database Portal			Training Lisbon, Portugal (October) ESPON TIA Tool
	Workshop Prague, Czech Republic (November) Greener functional areas in Central Europe			



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Thank you!

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