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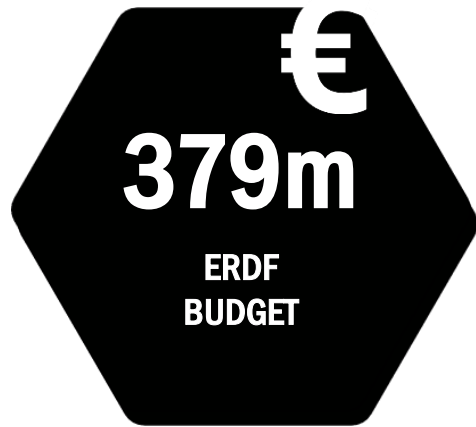
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4 strands, ~ 100 programmes, >8 bn EUR ERDF

A	Cross-border	73 programmes EUR 6,700 million (72%)	
B	Transnational	14 programmes EUR 1,467 million (18%)	
C	Interregional	4 programmes EUR 500 million (6%)	Interreg Europe Urbact, Interact, ESPON
D	Outermost regions	4 areas EUR 270 million (3%)	

Each strand has its own objectives

Sharing solutions for better regional policy



Concentration principle (80%)

Interreg Europe **objective**

To improve **regional development policy instruments** (including Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes)

How?

Through exchange of experience, innovative approaches and capacity building (in relation to the identification & transfer of good practices)

- Primarily dedicated to **policymakers**
- Focus on **exchange of experience**



Different from cross-border or transnational cooperation

What is a **policy instrument**




A means for **public intervention**:


- a strategy, programme or law
- developed by public authorities
- applied to improve a specific territorial situation

Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes are policy instruments.

Interreg Europe policy instruments LU (examples)



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DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG
Ministère de l'Économie
et du Commerce extérieur



Grand-Duché de Luxembourg

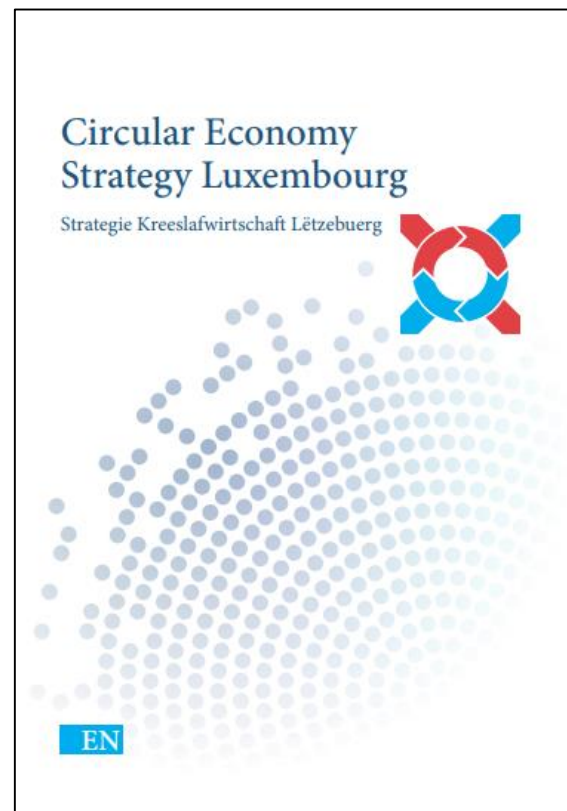
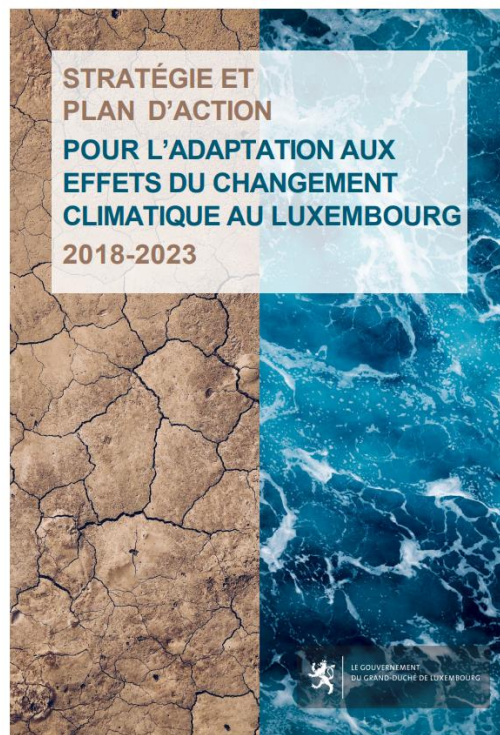
Objectif


**« Investissement pour l'Emploi et la croissance »
2021-2027**

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Wiltz
Capitale des Ardennes

Wiltz, den 9. Februar 2018

CHARTA FÜR DIE „ECONOMIE CIRCULAIRE“

Die Gemeinde Wiltz verpflichtet sich, zukünftig die „Economie Circulaire“ bei allen Projekten und Tätigkeiten anzuwenden, um einen positiven Fußabdruck in der Ardennenregion zu fördern und somit Verantwortung gegenüber nächsten Generationen zu übernehmen.

Insbesondere möchte die Gemeinde Wiltz:

1. ein Arbeitsumfeld schaffen, das es allen Gemeindediensten ermöglicht, ihre Aufgaben auf sozial und ökologisch verantwortliche Weise zu planen und zu organisieren.
2. die Aufwertung der verschiedenen materiellen Ressourcen und menschlichen Potentiale in Sinne der Economie Circulaire verstärken, um kontinuierliche Ströme in Anlehnung an die Natur auf ihrem Gemeindegebiet zu etablieren.
3. neue Organisationsformen menschlicher Tätigkeit unterstützen, wie beispielsweise kooperative Lebensweisen (Coworking, gemeinschaftliches Wohnen, Wohngemeinschaften, ...), gemeinschaftliche leistungsfähige Produktion (FabLab, Do-It-Yourself, Maker-Space, ...) sowie die gemeinschaftliche Nutzung von Gütern und Dienstleistungen (Sharing, Fahrgemeinschaften).
4. die Biodiversität aktiv bei der Entwicklung ihrer Projekte fördern.
5. die Rahmenbedingungen schaffen, welche die Einrichtung eines nationalen Kompetenz- und Bildungszentrums rund um die Kreislaufwirtschaft in Wiltz ermöglichen.
6. die „Economie Circulaire“ progressiv in ihre Bauvorschriften integrieren, umso Design und Bau von Gebäuden mit hohem Mehrwert und positiven Auswirkungen auf das Umfeld zu fördern.
7. eine proaktive Kommunikationsstrategie für alle Beteiligten mit Themen rund um die „Economie Circulaire“ umsetzen.
8. eine partizipative und integrative Herangehensweise unter Einbeziehung aller Akteure fördern, um die Ausrichtung der Gemeindeentwicklung zu bestimmen und so ihre Attraktivität für die Zukunft zu garantieren.
9. die regionalen Wirtschaftsakteure ermutigen, kontinuierliche Kreisläufe zu entwickeln, welche den Wert und die inhärente Qualität der Ressourcen in jeder Phase ihres Nutzungszyklus erhalten.
10. Pilotprojekte entwickeln, durch die Modelle oder Methodologien erarbeitet werden, die später auch in einem größeren Maßstab und anderswo anwendbar sind.

Die Unterzeichnung dieser Charta für die „Economie Circulaire“ durch den Gemeinderat Wiltz ist eine starke politische Geste, die darauf abzielt, auf ihrem Territorium einen verantwortungsvollen Ansatz zu schaffen und zu einer nachhaltigeren Welt beizutragen.

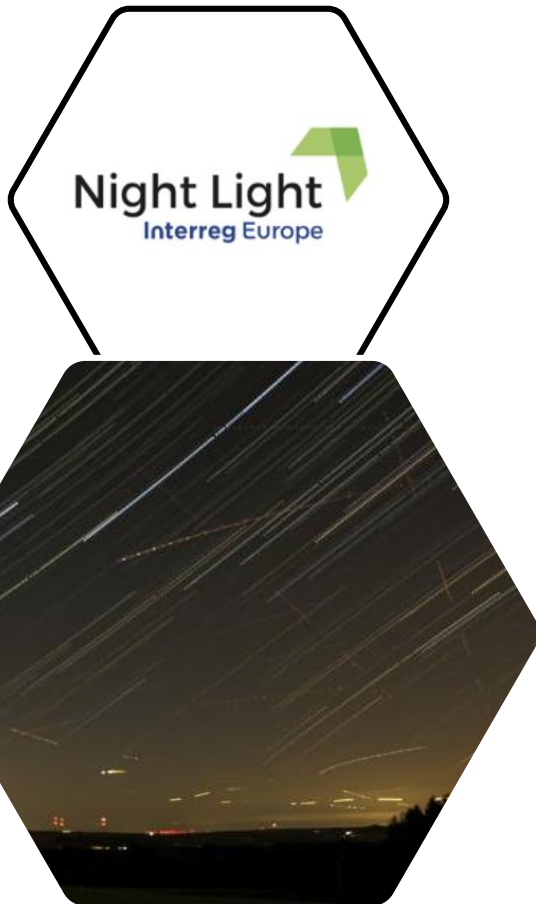
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What is a **'policy responsible authority'**



- The **organisation in charge** of the elaboration and/or delivery of a specific **policy instrument**
- In most cases, a **public institution**

Example of a **policy instrument**



The **Pacte climat / KlimaPakt** is a **national policy instrument** supported by the Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Sustainable Development and managed by the **Klima-Agence**, the **national structure for the promotion of a sustainable energy transition**.

The municipalities of the **Naturpark Our** have committed themselves to the Climate Pact and are actively promoting a sustainable and environmentally responsible energy policy.

What is a **policy improvement**



Our projects report **three types of results:**

- New projects
- Change in governance
- Change in the policy instrument itself

Example of a **policy improvement**



Climate PACT

Introduction of light pollution and its control in the catalogue of measures of the Climate Pact

Inspiration from:

Night Light project activities (including RSG meetings) raised awareness of Clervaux Municipality on light pollution

>> Creation of the light master plan of Clervaux

Light master plan of Clervaux became an inspiration/good practice and was used to improve the Climate Pacte by integrating the subject of light pollution= **Structural change**

Two actions



Projects

Limited number of regions exchanging and transferring experience on a shared regional development issue



Policy Learning Platform

Further exploiting projects' achievements and opening up the programme benefits to all

The logo consists of a stylized grey hexagon with internal geometric patterns and small dots, followed by the text "Project content" in a grey sans-serif font.

Project content

1. **Project objectives & activities**
2. **Partnership requirements**
3. **Project finances**

1. Project objectives & activities

Project **objective**

Improve the **policy instruments** of the participating regions

- Public interventions at local, regional or even national levels can be addressed
- But at least **one** policy instrument per project must be an

Investment for jobs and growth goal programme



Project **activities**

- Exchange of experience & **capacity building** through identification and transfer of **good practices**
- **Pilot actions** possible from the start of the project or at mid-term (but maximum one per policy instrument)

Implementation of activities

2 phases over 4-year implementation

CORE	FOLLOW UP
3 years	1 year
Exchange of experience to achieve policy improvements	Monitor policy improvements

2 ■ Partnership requirements

Who is **eligible**?

- **Public authorities**
- **Public law bodies** (bodies governed by public law)
- **Private non-profit bodies**



Policy relevance of partnership

Policy responsible authorities must be involved in the project:

- As **partners** for at least **50%** of the policy instruments addressed
- As '**associated policy authorities**' for the remaining policy instruments

Creation of a **stakeholder group** in each region

Geographical coverage

- Broad coverage required
- Mixed between more and less advanced regions

Geographical areas	Countries covered
North	Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Sweden
East	Austria, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia
South	Croatia, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain
West	Belgium, France, Ireland, Luxembourg , Netherlands, Switzerland



3. ■ Project **finances**

Co-financing rates

Co-financing rates	According to legal status or location
80% ERDF*	Public or public equivalent from the EU
70% ERDF*	Private non-profit from the EU
50% Norwegian funding	Public, public equivalent and private non-profit from Norway (NO)
Swiss funding	Public, public equivalent and private non-profit from Switzerland (CH)

* ERDF – European Regional Development Fund

Simplified financial rules

Cost categories	Simplification
Preparation costs	Lump sum €17,500
Staff	Fixed % of the real gross employment cost
Office & administration	Flat rate of 15% of staff costs
Travel & accommodation	Flat rate of 15% of staff costs (real cost reporting only in specific justified cases)
External Expertise and Services	
Equipment	
Infrastructure and Works	For pilots only

Plus:

- Simplified reporting, faster payments to projects
- Less control (sampling, risk-based verifications)

Time for questions



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