

ESPON 2030 Programme

Extraordinary Monitoring Committee meeting

1 April 2026, 09h00-10h30

Online (Luxembourgish time)

Decision notes

Welcome by the Chair (Cyprus)

The Chair welcomed the participants and thanked them for their availability at short notice. The MA confirmed the quorum. The Chair recalled the purpose of the extraordinary meeting to clarify the way forward regarding ESPON support to the intergovernmental territorial foresight and vision process.

Sessions without the ESPON EGTC

1. Agreement on the Agenda

The MC approved the agenda without objections.

2. Single Operation: planned implementation actions (ppt and discussion)

Concept note on ESPON support to the foresight and vision process

The MC took note of the concept note presented by the ESPON EGTC and the explanatory note provided by the MA.

The MC agreed in principle with the proposed approach, recognising that it allows for immediate support to the Presidencies while ensuring sufficient time to properly define future research activities.

The MC agreed to establish an advisory board to support the preparation of scoping notes and ensure coherence between policy needs and ESPON activities.

3. AOB

No additional points were raised.