

# FACT-SHEET

## SO 41 LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE COOPERATION



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**The aim of this specific objective is to reduce legal and other obstacles as well as to develop and deepen legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens, civil society actors and institutions in the programme area.**

### Types of project partners

- public and
- public equivalent organisations

### Main target groups

- the main target group is the public who benefits from cross-border achievements such as better coordinated approaches to effectively address major societal challenges and obstacles in the programme region and to provide services of general interest in a more efficient way
- addition target groups are local and regional public organisations who benefit from improved administrative processes and increased capacity such as local, regional and national public authorities/institutions, bodies governed by public law, intermediary organisations, EGTCs, agencies, interest groups including NGOs and other organisations
- finally for small scale projects the target group is mainly all citizens directly at the border; this includes the general public as well as economic stakeholders in the region

### Output indicators

- Organisations cooperating across borders
- Strategies and action plans jointly developed
- Jointly developed solutions
- Participations in joint actions across borders

### Result indicators

- Organisations cooperating across borders after project completion
- Joint strategies and action plans taken up by organisations
- Solutions taken up or up-scaled by organisations
- Participations in joint actions across borders after project completion



## Types of actions and indicative activities

### 7.1 Elaborating monitoring and data exchange systems to improve cross-border know how exchange and decision making

- data exchange and joint monitoring enhancing the availability of data needed for a more targeted cross-border cooperation, for example in the field of
  - regional development with a focus on more sustainable rural development,
  - demographic changes and the impact on economic and social development in the border region
  - health and social care with a specific focus on the COVID-19 pandemic
  - crisis resilience
  - circular economy
- studies and analyses identifying cross-border obstacles, for example related to environmental issues
- workshops, discussion panels or conferences addressing experts and public authorities enabling a joint view on border obstacles

### 7.2 Developing strategic frameworks among public organisations in all relevant fields to address upcoming challenges of the border region

- joint strategies to reduce legal and administrative obstacles across the border;
- joint strategy development
  - in the field of SME support and smart specialisation including for example R&D needs, SME development, start-ups, cross-border economic exchange (demanded goods and services), social innovation, digitalisation and aspects supporting the economic diversification especially in the fields of green technologies, resource efficiency and eco-innovation
  - addressing social matters and a better integration of horizontal issues (e.g. gender equality and social inclusion, including youth, women, disabled)
  - addressing a better crisis resilience
  - supporting effective and comprehensive regional development and implementation of pilot projects

### 7.3 Implementing joint solutions to improve cross-border governance and reduce cross-border obstacles

- joint initiatives finding specific solutions for border obstacles, for example in the field of:
  - employee protection across the border
  - cross-border services for employers (SME) and employees, such as consulting in the mother tongue
  - recognition of qualification, safeguarding and creating new employment opportunities for example in eco-innovation
  - social and health services
  - circular economy
- coordination of services and joint actions to boost digitalisation of joint services for example in the field of crisis management, social and health care and emergency services

### 7.4 Developing skills as well as awareness raising aiming at a better cross-border cooperation

- (digital) seminars or other training events addressing authorities and stakeholders and aiming at improving their skills and knowledge about cross-border cooperation, its obstacles and how to overcome themz
- sport events, student exchanges, field trips or other awareness raising activities contributing to a better cross-border understanding and increased mutual trust