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From Programme implementation to the challenges of the new programming period

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Main OP challenges and goals

- Increasing scales to make the Atlantic Area a global player
- Coordination within national and EU policies and programmes
- Cooperation and networking sustainability
- Integration and multiplication of impacts

Transnationality coverage

The majority of projects involves the whole Programme Member-states

Nº of MS	Nº of projects	Eligible costs	ERDF
3	4	8.4	5.4
4	25	52.1	33.8
5	34	88.0	57.2
Total	63	148.5	96.4

Strategic priorities coverage

The whole set of Programme priorities were entirely covered

Priority	Number of projects	ERDF approved	Commitment rate
1 Entrepreneurship and innovation networks	25	31,7	98,5
2 Marine and coastal environment sustainability	21	36,7	99,4
3 Accessibility and transport connectivity links	6	14,9	96,5
4 Sustainable urban and regional development	11	13,2	98,9
Total	63	96,5	98,6

Eligible regions coverage

Almost of the Atlantic Area eligible regions participate on projects approved

Number of Projects	0	1-4	5-10	11-20	21-30	>30
Number of Regions	3	5	11	9	4	3
Cumulative frequency	3	8	19	28	32	35

Atlantic area network

A large network of cooperation covering a wide range of partners

Partners	Priorities				Total
	1	2	3	4	
Public authorities	82	76	32	201	391
Enterprises	5	11	12	21	49
Universities and research	68	79	10	38	195
Not for profit organizations	60	45	10	59	174
Total	215	211	64	319	809

Relevancy

Producing and disseminating projects results to various stakeholders and Influencing regional, national and community policies.

Policies addressed	Priorities				Total
	1	2	3	4	
Economic policies	25	16	4	8	53
Environment policies	18	20	6	11	55
Accessibility policies	6	4	6	7	23
Innovation policies	26	19	5	7	57
EU Policies	36	39	22	8	105
National Policies	58	59	31	15	163
Regional policies	89	101	29	25	244
Local policies	60	44	32	66	202

Effectiveness

Ensuring the application and generalization of project results by making available dissemination facilities contributing to amplify outcomes.

Dissemination facilities	Priorities				Total
	1	2	3	4	
Number of policy documents	34	12	0	31	77
Number of studies reported	68	188	39	32	327
Articles in the press or specialized magazines	311	212	88	116	727
Number of transnational seminars and conferences	57	117	8	32	214
Attendees in transnational seminars and conferences	3808	3900	567	6716	14991

Cross-fertilisation and perpetuation

Expanding impacts by the generation of new cooperation projects, the creation of new networks or the extension of pre-existing networks to new audiences. Enhancing the capacity of the partnerships to go ahead on cooperation, independently of the availability of new EU transnational cooperation funds.

Network impacts	Priorities				Total
	1	2	3	4	
New direct jobs created	44	55	6	25	130
New projects expected	24	20	6	8	58
New networks expected	24	20	6	9	59
Projects having an exit strategy	25	20	6	10	61

Multiplication of impacts

Increasing the public value of project results, amplifying impacts to be much more than an addition to be a multiplication of effects, by getting the attention of a wide audience of stakeholders.

Target audiences	Priorities				Total
	1	2	3	4	
National administrations	492	571	190	296	1549
Regional administrations	394	399	150	105	1048
Local administrations	762	515	667	467	2411
Research and education centres	823	605	201	144	1773
Not for profit organizations	1472	586	265	272	2595

Performance of Programme procedures

From the beginning of the Programme implementation are clear the improvement attained in the Programme procedures performance.

Reporting year	Number of days		
	Delay on project reporting	MA/JTS validation	CA payment
2009	105	114	16
2010	102	34	18
2011	69	34	9

Project's completion

More than one half of the total projects are expected to be completed until the end of 2012.

Ending year	Priorities				Total
	1	2	3	4	
2011	3	1		2	6
2012	12	10	3	6	31
2013	8	7		3	18
2014	3	2	3		8
Total	26	20	6	11	63

Next steps?

- **Programme capitalization**
- **Preparation of the next Programme period**

From implementation to capitalisation

It is clear that projects dynamics lead to the successful achievement of Programme challenges and goals

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However, projects dynamics is not enough.
We must maximise results, disseminating knowledge
and cross-fertilizing new strategies and policies

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How to increase the social value of cooperation results?

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Programme Capitalisation

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Optimisation process concerning

- The transformation of results ← At both projects and Programme levels
- Into a “capital” ← Capital of knowledge
- To be invested ← Individually and collectively
- In order to achieve improved performance
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Changing practices (individually and collectively) and increasing the social “profit” of direct results

Programme Capitalisation: Why?

A standard procedure for the capitalisation of Programme results is essential to ensure:

- The maximum extent of operations outcomes
- That future operations can take further advantages
- Broaden the audience and the program partners
- Transfer of knowledge into mainstream policies
 - At EU level
 - At the Programme level
 - At national and regional levels

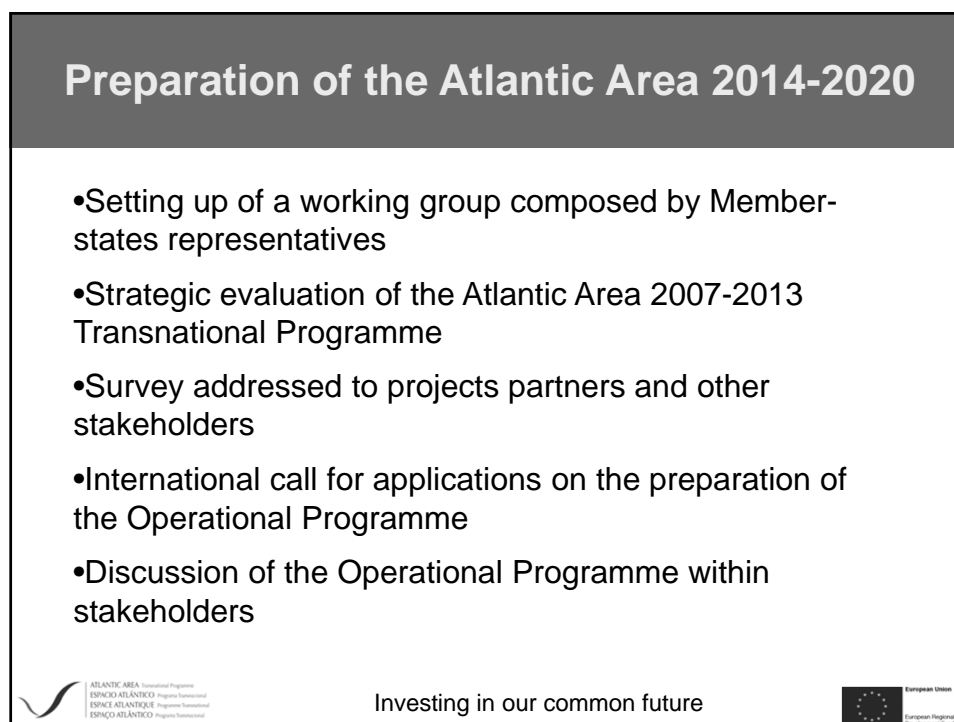
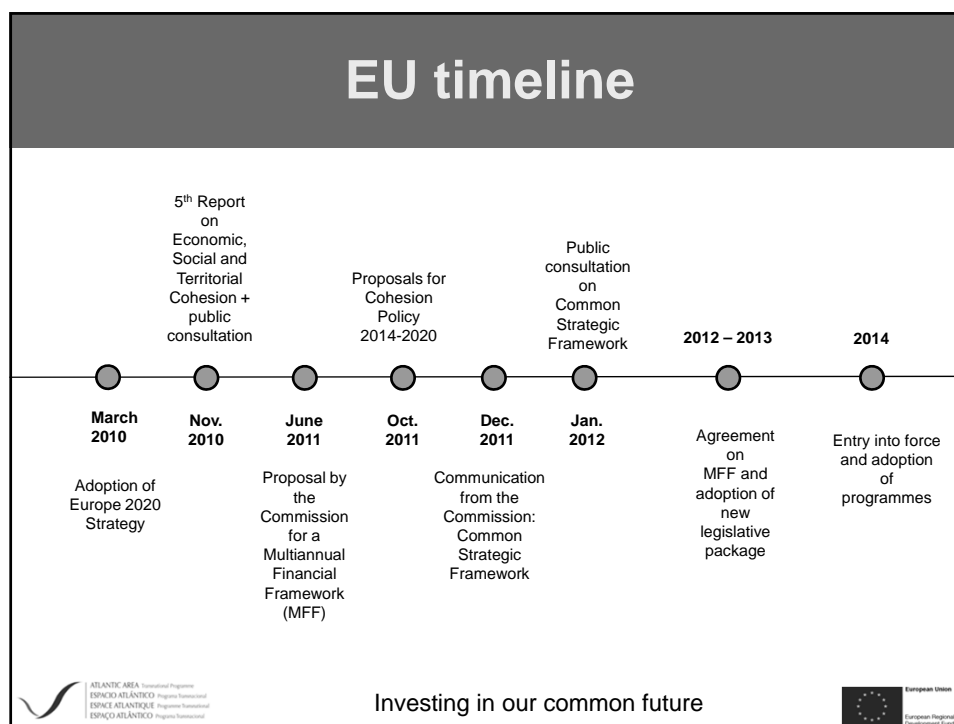
Thematic grouping and strategic frameworks

The Monitoring Committee will work soon on a decision to finance a strategic project aiming to promote capitalization and project integration through two main mechanisms:

- **Thematic project groupings:** to provide the capacity of projects to work in symbiosis
- **Strategic frameworks:** to achieve certain particular long-term purposes, as the proactive generation of projects and the proactive mobilisation of key-players

Main issues on the Future of Territorial Cooperation

- Deliver the Europe 2020 strategy
- Objectives of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth
- Coordination with other EU instruments (Atlantic Strategy, ...)
- Focus on results
- Maximise the impact of EU funding
- Increase of financial resources (+30%)
- 75% co-financing rate



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