

DAY 1 Thu 27/03/2025 – Interreg GO! - Results of consultations of programmes, stakeholders and citizens on post 2027 Interreg, Gorizia (IT) – Nova Gorica (SLO)
Main venue: Teatro Verdi, Gorizia, Via G. Garibaldi 2/a

8:00 - 9:00	Welcome coffee and registration <i>Venue: Teatro Verdi, Gorizia – simultaneous interpretation in EN, IT, SI and FR</i>
9:00 - 9:35	High-level Opening Welcoming words from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Massimiliano Fedriga, President of the Autonomous Region of Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Italy • Raffaele Fitto, Executive Vice-President for Cohesion and Reforms, European Commission • Tommaso Foti, Minister for European Affairs, NRRP and Cohesion Policies, Italy (tbc) • Aleksander Jevšek, Minister of Cohesion and Regional Development, Slovenia
9:35 - 10:25	Panel 1: Border regions, transnational regions: obstacles and opportunities <i>What kind of cooperation do we want? What do we want to achieve?</i> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slawomir Tokarski, Director, DG Regional and Urban Policy – moderator • Sandro Gozi, Member of the European Parliament (tbc) • Martha Gärber, Head of Interreg cross-border cooperation programme Italy-Austria • Vincent De Keer, Director of EGTC Linieland (representative of the youth) • Anne Wetzels, Director, Hauts-de-France region
10:25 - 11:15	Panel 2: Cooperation & Performance: Switching a Gear <i>How to improve the cooperation impact and visibility?</i> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jean-Pierre Halkin, DG Regional and Urban Policy – moderator • Pavel Branda, Member of the European Committee of the Regions (tbc) • David Grzegorzewski, Programme Director, Interreg North-West Europe Programme • Arola Urdangarin, EGTC Euroregion Nouvelle Aquitaine – Euskadi – Navarra (NAEN) • Cristina Bala, “Chess for change” project, Interreg Hungary-Romania programme (finalist of RegioStars Awards 2024)
11:15 - 11:45	Coffee break
11:45 - 12:35	Panel 3: Cooperation: Shared spaces, Shared goals <i>Cooperation with candidate and neighbouring countries, including for outermost regions</i> Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christina Antoniou, DG Regional and Urban Policy – moderator • Celia Alberto Pérez, Director-General for European Affairs, Government of Canary Islands (tbc) • Aldo Puleo, Managing Authority, Interreg NEXT MED programme • Ihor Yaremenko, Deputy State Secretary Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine • Ana Sabanovic, Representative of Youth Council of Danube Macro-regional Strategy
12:35 - 13:30	<i>Venue: Teatro Verdi</i> Main takeaways from the consultations on future Interreg Interview of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raffaele Fitto, Executive Vice-President for Cohesion and Reforms, European Commission • Marta Kos, Commissioner for Enlargement, European Commission (tbc) • Katarzyna Pełczyńska-Nałęcz, Minister for Regional Development in Poland (tbc) • Kata Tüttö, President of the European Committee of the Regions (tbc) • Younous Omarjee, Vice-President of the European Parliament (tbc) <i>Moderation by Interact</i>

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13:30 - 15:00	Lunch <i>Venue: Unione Ginnastica Goriziana (UGG)</i> <i>5 minutes' walk from/to Teatro Verdi</i>
15:00 – 17:00	Interreg Slam 2024-2025 Project Slam competition and award ceremony: Stories of inclusion and empowerment (6 live performances on stage) Presentation of the 'Youth4Cooperation for Future' Declaration Awarding Ceremony for the Slam and for the local High School competition
17:00 – 22:00	Evening activities and dinner, celebration of 35 years of Interreg

