### EGTC monitoring report 2018-2019

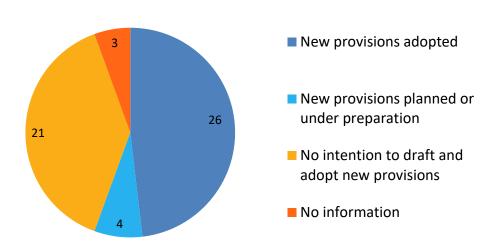
Main findings

(February 2020)

#### Development of national provisions

⇒ Nearly the same state as in previous years!

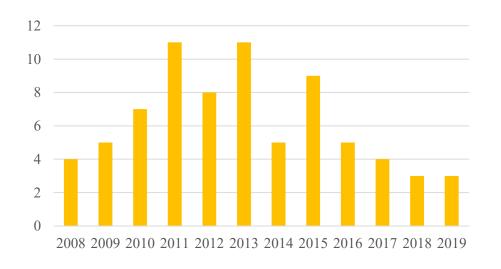




- No intention or information:
  - Lack of relevance (no EGTCs in territory)
  - Lack of interest
  - Provisions considered sufficient
- Coordination & transparency activities differ widely
  - Different types of online information bi-lateral exchanges events for different target groups
  - Few MS / approval authorities much more active than most other MS

#### State of play of EGTCs (I)

In total 75 EGTCs at the end of 2019 (incl. dissolved)



Low number of new EGTCs founded in 2018 & 2019!

- 1 EGTC dissolved after initiation by seat MS but still registered
- Few other EGTCs not effectively in place/working further dissolution procedures expected

### State of play of EGTCs (II)

- No major changes as regards the territory some more activities in south-western Europe, none in eastern Europe
- New EGTCs mostly with local and/or regional authorities as members
- Many EGTCs with changing memberships often integrating new members, sometimes leaving or new administrative structures
- Average staff and budgets further increased as compared to earlier in the decade
- Other trends continue:
  - Cooperation in cross-border areas continues to be main geographic focus
  - Flexibility of the instrument proven in terms of variety of themes covered and objectives addressed (see good practices)
  - Two more members from non-EU MS, still no EGTC in OTC
  - Still very little participation of Northern EU MS in EGTCs

### Fields of activity

55 good practice cooperation examples in 13 themes, many ETC-funded...

- Healthcare & emergency services
- Nature disaster prevention and solidarity
- Nature protection and preservation of environment
- Access to public services and European citizenship
- Investment projects
- Transport infrastructure and soft transport projects
- Integrated tourism
- Education
- Culture
- Attracting EU funding
- Economic cooperation, jobs and growth
- Spatial planning
- EGTC as fund manager













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Equipment and services installed for monitoring water flow © EGTC Espacio Portalet

Salt mine area in Solotvyno, Ukraine

### Public services Eurocidade Conectada Cross-border BUS for Eurocitizens Chaves-Verin

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#### Investments

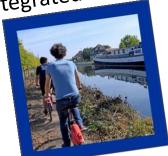


Cycling route around the Tatras © EGTC TATRY



Szczecin - urban node in the TEN-T Baltic-Adriatic C Royal Pictures

### Integrated Tourism



BlueWalks in the Eurometropolis © Alexandre TRAISNEL (MEL)

#### Education



An Interreg volunteer is presenting the game to

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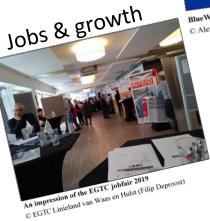
Culture

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EU Funding



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River system of the Greater Region mapped under GeoConnectGR

Spatial planning

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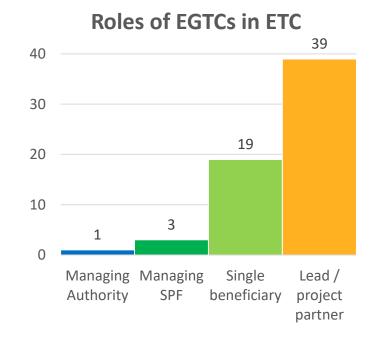
#### Fund manager



Alzette, office of the Managing Authority C Sebastian Hans

#### EGTCs implementing ETC actions

- Programmes with EGTC project/lead partners so far:
  - At least 16 VA programmes
  - 9 VB programmes
  - Interreg Europe / ESPON
- More EGTCs involved in ETC implementation
  - 40 EGTCs
  - 125 ETC programmes / projects
- Number of ETC projects per EGTC increased
- Number of EGTCs as sole beneficiaries increased considerably



## In addition: Uptake of B-Solutions initiative by EGTCs

 8 EGTCs reported B-Solutions projects

#### EGTCs under constitution

- High number of EGTCs under constitution than previously
- Wide variety of future uses of the instrument
- 1 EGTC with conditional approval
- 2 EGTCs denied approval, further processes under way
- 8 EGTCs awaiting their approval
- Obstacles lead to stopped & delayed processes
- As previously:
  - Not all obstacles related to EGTC framework but
  - MS differences still matter a lot (e.g. legal, competences, objectives, ...)

