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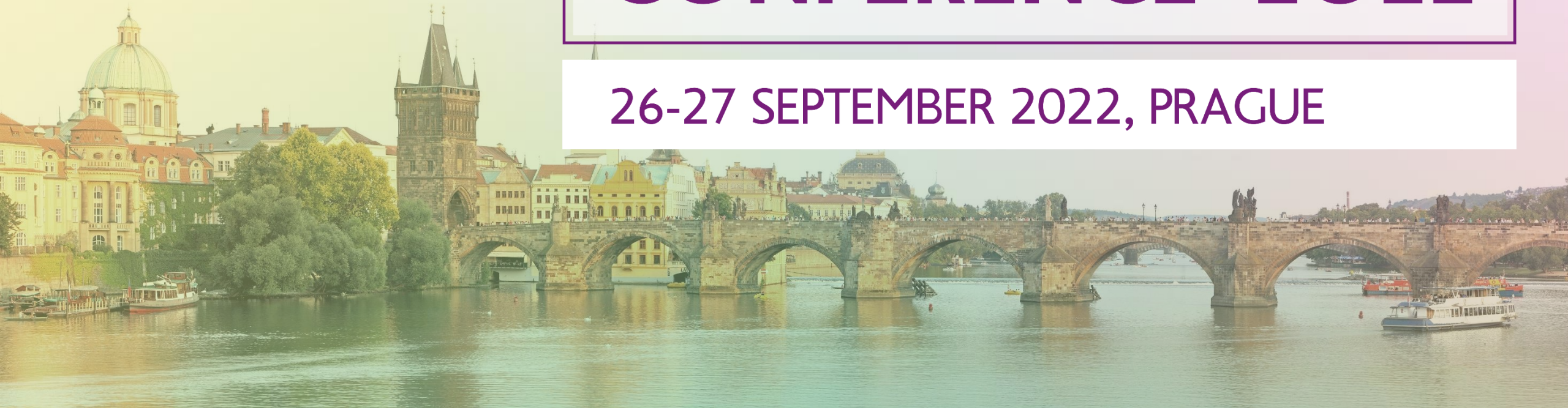

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How Clusters can be agents fostering cooperation among EU Industrial ecosystems and cross-border investments : Learnings from Interreg Europe

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Interreg Europe Policy Learning Platform
in a nutshell

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Knowledge **People** **Expert support**

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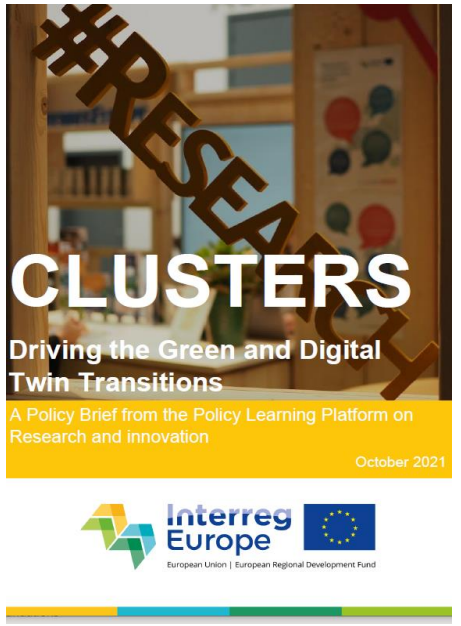
Access to knowledge

- Wealth of policy solutions available

Analytical **policy briefs (over 50),** news and publications eg Clusters Driving the Green and Digital transition.

And tailored Matchmaking services



Interreg Europe Cluster Policy brief : 14 projects

Annexe 1: Selection of relevant Interreg Europe projects dealing with cluster policies

Project	Policy Objective
CLIPPER (TO3)	To create a leadership for maritime industries
CLUSTERFY	To foster interregional collaboration and integration into global value chains
CLUSTERIX2.0	To promote cluster policies for better university-industry collaboration
CLUSTERS3	To adopt cluster policies to improve S3 implementation
INNO4SPORTS	To promote innovation for sport innovation ecosystems
iWATERMAP	To support innovation policies in water technologies
MEDTECH4EUROPE	To foster research and innovation facilities in the field of medical technologies
P2L2	To design better policies for the sector of advanced materials
REGIONS4FOOD	To promote digitalisation of the agri-food sector
STRING	To promote innovation in food clusters
TITTAN	To improve European healthcare systems for healthy and active ageing
URBAN M	To stimulating innovation through collaborative maker spaces
REMIX	To encourage smart and green mining

Access to knowledge

- Wealth of policy solutions available – cluster examples

Database **of good practices** from across EU

- **CLUSTERFY** aims to foster clusters' **interregional collaboration and integration into global value chains (GVCs) with a focus on SMEs in Key Enabling Technologies.**
- **CLUSTERIX2.0** looks at improving **interregional cooperation and university-industry linkages.**
- **CLUSTERS3** aims **to adopt cluster policies to improve S3 implementation**.
- **STRING** aims to improve innovation policies for **food clusters while promoting stronger linkages with their regional innovation ecosystems.**

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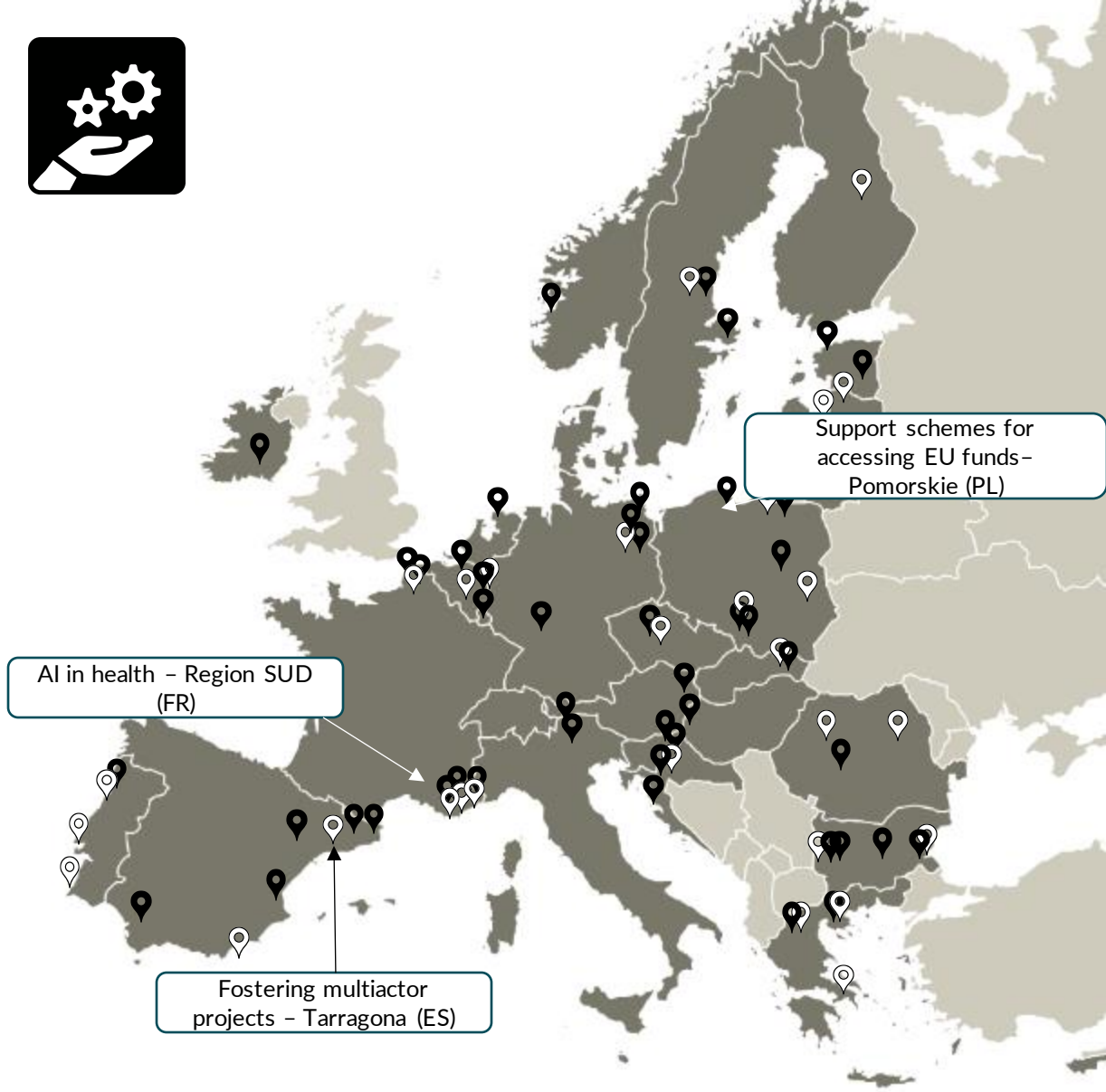
- 41 peer reviews implemented
  6 peer reviews in the pipeline

- 28 matchmaking sessions
  1 matchmaking in the pipeline



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Lessons for Industrial Forum cooperation among EU Industrial ecosystems and cross-border cooperation and investments

Interreg Europe projects must produce actions plans that demonstrate how policy changes will be implemented – concrete and financed measures – **Co-design of agendas**

Interreg Partnerships have laid foundations and stimulated enhanced cooperation via various inititiatives such as I3 and the Pilot Innovation Partnerships, for example in the health sector or textiles: RESET looking at greener and more sustainable production technologies - Partner contributions to Green Deal Transition Agenda and Transition Pathways

Water Technology clusters have developed strong project connections supporting closer cooperation: IWATERMAP Interreg Europe, ESCP's, INNOSUPs, S3P and now Euroclusters – with vouchers via cascade funding, and supporting EU Water Thematic Platform with strong co-investment focus.

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Interreg Europe experiences continued …

Meanwhile the BRIDGES project takes a closer look at the Value Chain approach and the role of interregional cooperation and in particular issues to adress industrial re-shoring, on-shoring, near-shoring etc and how they should be linked to RIS3 strategies

The STEPHANIE project deals with High tech sectors such as the aerospace sector and photonics and looks at how technology solutions can adress societal challenges such as climate change and deliver data driven solutions thanks to interregional cooperation via quadruple helix actors;

A Community committed to to cross border cooperation. Long term perspective – connect strategy and funding actors, via value chain approach.

Thank you –

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