



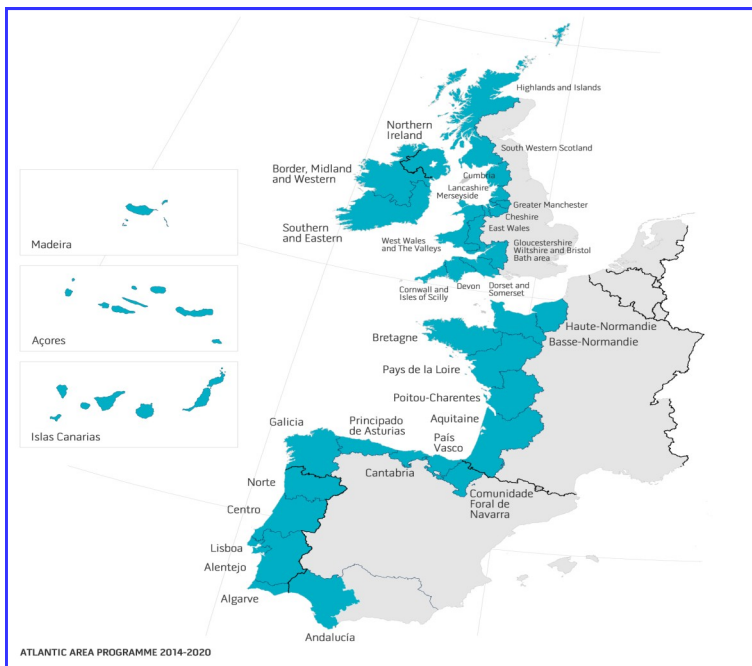
Welcome to 'INTERREGional News' from the Special EU Programmes Body. This newsletter aims to bring you up to date with developments on the **INTERREG VB Programmes** (the Northern Periphery and Arctic (NPA) Programme, the North West Europe Programme and the Atlantic Area Programme) as well as the **INTERREG VC 'EUROPE' Programme** for the new programming period from 2014-2020. All of the programmes are at varying stages of development and implementation but we would encourage you to begin thinking about project ideas and discussing these with us at the earliest opportunity.

ATLANTIC AREA PROGRAMME - INFORMATION SEMINAR

SEUPB is hosting an Information Seminar on the new Atlantic Area Programme on the 28th October 2015 in Belfast. The Seminar will be an opportunity for organisations within the region to learn more about the programme ahead of the First Call for Applications opening in 2016.

Filippo Compagni, the UK National Contact Point for the Programme will provide an overview of the programme and also present on the steps potential applicants should be taking in order to develop partnerships and projects under the programme. There will also be an opportunity to hear from Northern Ireland partners who were successful in receiving funding for projects under the previous programme period.

To register visit: [Atlantic Area Information Seminar](#)



SAINT PROJECT LAUNCHES

The Slow Adventure in the Northern Territories - or SAINT – Project funded through the Northern Periphery and Arctic (NPA) Programme held its Northern Ireland launch event on the 16th September at the Guildhall in Derry/Londonderry. The project is a three year programme managed locally by Derry City and Strabane District Council working with SMEs to make them more aware of the business opportunities in guided slow adventure tourism within the region.

Further information on the project can be found on the project website: [SAINT](#)

NEW PROGRAMME WEBSITES LAUNCH!

The new websites for the Northern Periphery and Arctic (NPA) and Interreg Europe Programmes have recently been launched. You can visit the websites to find out more information about the programmes, the calls for applications and to learn more about projects funded to date:

[NPA Website](#)

[Interreg Europe Website](#)



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PROJECT FOCUS - CREATIVE MOMENTUM

The **Creative Momentum Project** was successful in securing funding from the NPA Programme in April 2015, the project tackles the peripherality and distance to market challenges experienced by entrepreneurs in the creative and cultural industries.

The project provides enterprise development and market expansion spaces, services and supports with a transnational focus. The project is led by the Western Development Corporation in Ireland with Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council a partner on the project in Northern Ireland – find out more about the project by visiting: [Creative Momentum Project](#)



**a creative
momentum
project**

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PROJECT DEVELOPMENT - USEFUL TIPS!!

When developing a transnational project—you should always consider the following:

The Problem: What is the change needed in your region? Why is your project needed?

The Rationale: Why is Interreg VB/C funding required? Does the proposed change fit with the overall programme strategic objectives? Why Transnational?

Your Objectives: What are your objectives for the project? Baselines and targets?

Your Activities: How to do it? Work packages, investments, activities.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND KEY DATES!!

Click on the event below for further information:

- [Atlantic Area Information Seminar—28th October, Belfast](#)
- [NPA Third Call — Closes on the 30 November 2015](#)
- [North West Europe Programme Second Call \(1st Stage\) - Closes on the 30 November 2015](#)

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