

CITIZENS' SUMMARY

Annual Implementation Report

2020

Since 2014, the Interreg North-West Europe Programme supports cooperation across the borders of eight European countries and tackle common challenges in the area. Despite the difficulties emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic, the NWE Programme and its projects achieved numerous milestones in 2020:

- The process aimed at **designing a new NWE programme** for the next seven years (2021-2027) was launched.
- Two successful calls for capitalisation were launched with a total budget of 30.5M ERDF.

Following **nine calls for projects and one targeted call on renewable energy**, the NWE Programme has reached the following remarkable implementation figures:

102

APPROVED
PROJECTS

€ 376M

ERDF
ALLOCATED

1078

PARTNERS



Innovation

€ 128.3M allocated

44 projects approved



Low
carbon

€ 165.3M allocated

35 projects approved



Resource and
materials
efficiency

€ 82M allocated

23 projects approved

EXPECTED RESULTS

7,639

households
with improved energy
class

55,480

citizens benefiting
from social innovation

3,936

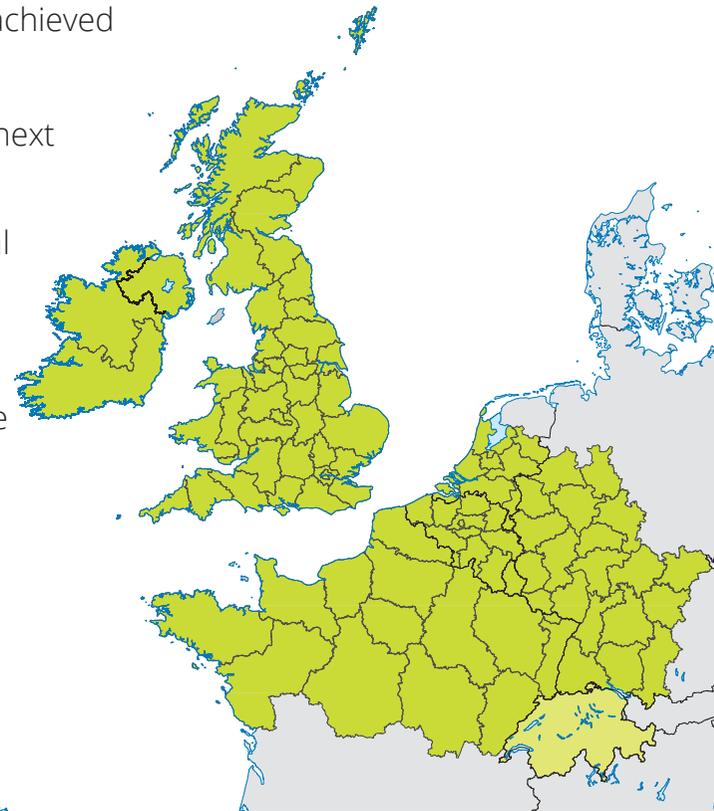
businesses
supported

959

jobs
created

133,253

tonnes of CO₂ saved
annually



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projects at a glance

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Investing in Opportunities



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BE | DE | FR | IE | NL | UK



€ 3.7M
TOTAL
BUDGET

Sustainable Housing for Inclusive and Cohesive Cities

North-West Europe is in the midst of a housing affordability crisis. More than 26 million people across the European Union are living in inadequate properties. Community land trusts (CLTs) are democratic organisations which develop and manage homes that are affordable to people with limited incomes. CLTs create cohesive neighbourhoods through community and resident involvement. **SHICC** supports the establishment of more successful CLTs and *Organismes de Foncier Solidaire* (OFS) in cities across the NWE region.

Achievements so far

Support to 4 CLT pilots in Lille (FR), Brussels (BE), London (UK) and Ghent (BE), with 87 housing units and more than 300 under study; Support to more than 30 nascent CLTs and OFS across NWE; Won the **2020's REGIOSTARS** edition.

www.nweurope.eu/SHICC

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North-West Europe

cVPP
European Regional Development Fund

BE | IE | NL



€ 7.1M
TOTAL
BUDGET

Community-based Virtual Power Plant

Although local power generation by renewable sources is increasing, it has not yet had a real impact on decarbonisation. Changes need to be made by unlocking the potential of the prosumer. The project tests the concept of a community-based Virtual Power Plant (**cVPP**), which offers a community the opportunity to provide to its energy needs with small-scale, distributed low-carbon power with participation from consumers and local businesses.

Achievements so far

Implementation in neighbourhoods of Ghent (BE), Loenen (NL) and Nenagh (IE); Replication process in 9 communities in BE, IE and NL; Expected reduction of 2,600 tonnes of CO₂; Won the **2020's EUSEW Awards** edition.

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North-West Europe

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European Regional Development Fund

BE | DE | FR | LU | NL



€ 7.2M
TOTAL
BUDGET

Secondary Raw Materials for Concrete Precast Products

The construction sector is the most resource intensive industrial sector in the EU. It uses around 50% of the available primary raw materials, hence exhausting the natural resources, degrading environment and generating high costs to businesses. Although there is potential for the use of secondary raw materials from construction and demolition waste, this is far from becoming mainstream in Europe. **SeRaMCo** increases the use of waste as secondary raw materials for cement and concrete precast products.

Achievements so far

New cement and concrete mixes were developed using construction and demolition waste; Various innovative precast concrete products were produced as well as three pilots in BE, DE and FR; Finalist of the **2020's REGIOSTARS** edition.

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