

# Interreg NWE 2014-2020

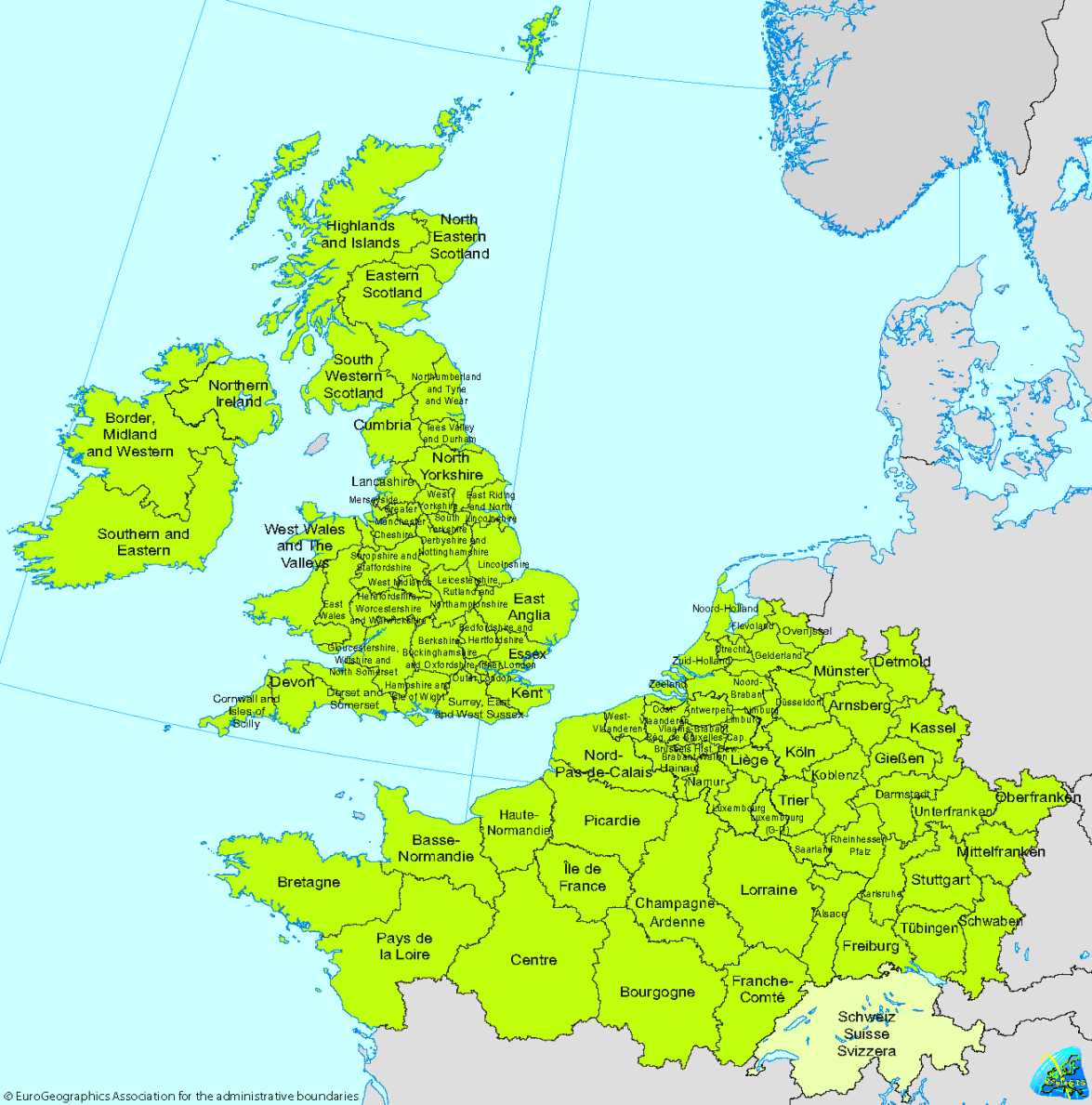
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Investing in Opportunities

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# Cooperation area North-West Europe (NWE)



8 countries:

BE, CH, IE, LU, UK  
as a whole

and parts of:  
NL, DE, FR,

# NWE-basics



**Aim:** Reduction of territorial disparities between NWE-regions

**Target group:** public and private actors (incl. private profitmaking enterprises)

**Language:** English

**Budget 2014-2020** €370 Mio ERDF

**EU-co-financing rate:** up to 60%

**Partnership:** 10 project partners from 5 countries on average

**Project duration:** 3 years

# Priorities:

1. Innovation
2. Low Carbon Economy
3. Resource and Material efficiency

# Priority 1: Innovation



Enhance the innovation performance of enterprises in NWE:

- Cross-sectoral partnerships
- Transnational schemes for infrastructure sharing
- Promotion of “Smart specialisation strategies
- Open Innovation

## Project examples

**BE-GOOD:** Building an Ecosystem to Generate Opportunities in Open Data

**BioBase4SMEs:** Bio-Innovation Support for Entrepreneurs throughout NWE regions

**ASPECT:** Advanced Simulation and control of tribology in metal forming processes for the North-West European Consumer goods and Transport sector

# Priority 2 : Low Carbon Economy



Reduction of Greenhousegasemissions e.g.

- Innovative energy supply, distribution and efficiency management
- Implementation of low carbon technologies, e.g. in industry (focus on energy)
- optimised traffic management (public transport, logistics)

## Project examples

**E=0** Generating a new mass market for net zero energy retrofits

**CAN** Climate Active Neighbourhoods

# Priority 3 : Resource- and material efficiency

To optimise (re)use of material and natural resources e.g..

- circular economy
- new production methods to reduce resource consumption
- Recycling, e.g. energy from waste

## Project examples

<b>AFTB</b>	Towards Adhesive Free Timber Buildings
<b>FIBERSORT</b>	Market demonstration and validation of Fibersort technology
<b>PHOSforYOU</b>	Phosphorous Recovery from waste water
<b>QCAP</b>	Real-time “interactive storage” quality control in fresh agro products

# A « good » project...

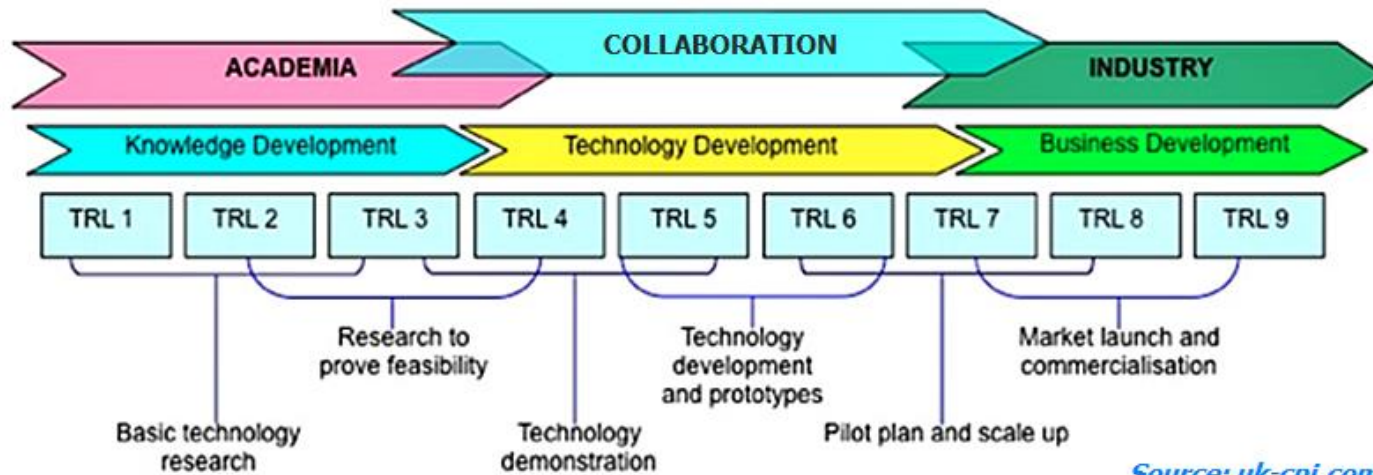
- starts with defining its need
- contributes to achieving the programme's objectives
- quantifies as much as possible
- delivers value for money
- shows a high level of cooperation
- makes a lasting change
- is innovative
- builds on previous work
- has a strong partnership



# Innovation in the NWE-Programme

**Innovation:** applied and result-oriented

## The Innovation Chain: Converting Science into Wealth



*Source: uk-cpi.com*

Focus on concept / technology validation phase including its design, testing or development phase

Basic research and commercialisation activities are not eligible

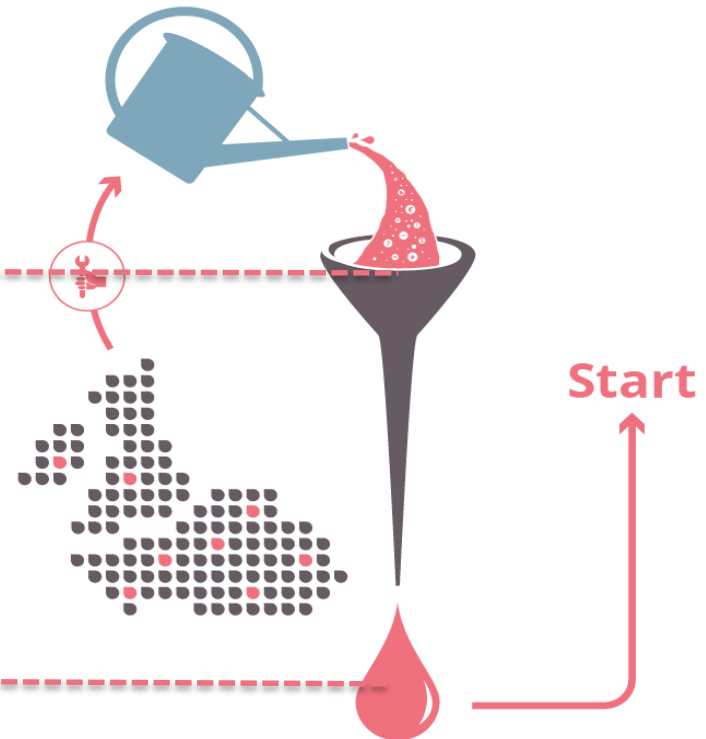
# Application procedure

2-step approach:

Project application “light”



Full project application



Advised by:

STEP 1: Contact Points

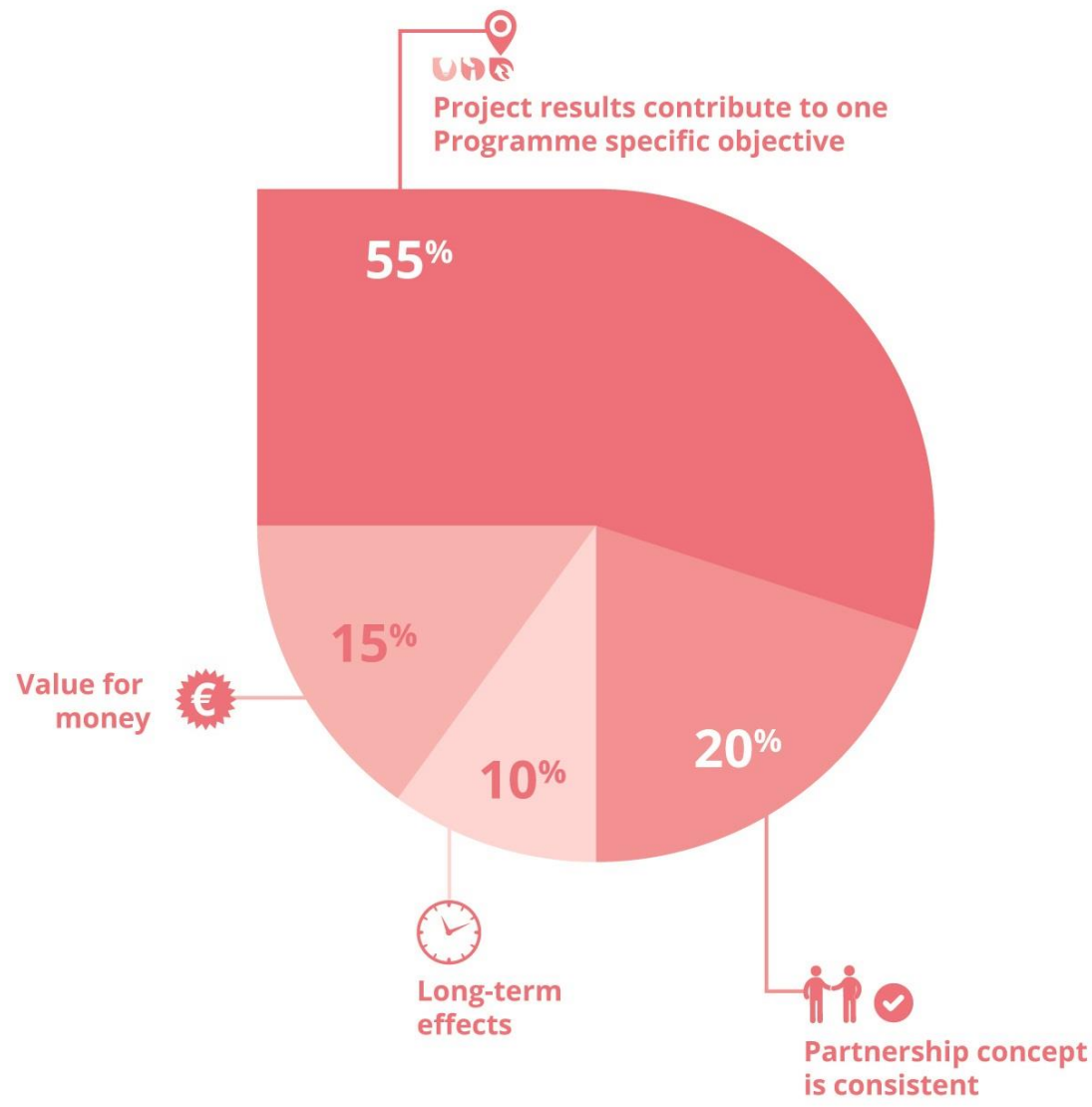
STEP 2: Contact Points & Programme secretariat

## How will my project be assessed?

- Eligibility check (technical requirements)
- Quality assessment (content-related)

All criteria are listed in the “Programme Manual”  
(Version 4, June 2016)

# Quality criteria in Step 1



# Who can participate?

All sorts of organisations:

- Public
- Public equivalent
- Private (also profit-oriented)



very important is the relevance and competence of the partners in order to achieve the project objective

# Eligible costs

- staff costs
- administration costs
- travel costs
- external experts and services
- equipment
- investments

# Financial aspects

- maximum EU-funding rate 60%; at least 40% own resources
- prefinancing by the partners; reimbursement by the programme (bi-annually)
- centralised control of eligible costs and free of charge for project partners from Luxembourg
- preparation costs if application is successful in STEP 2 (30 000 €)
- possible advances (conditions!)

# How can I participate to a NWE-project?

## **NWE-level:** [www.nweurope.eu](http://www.nweurope.eu)

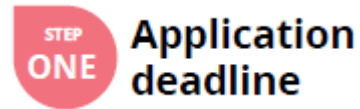
- Register to the NWE-Newsletter
- Networking at transnational programme events (6th October 2016 in Dublin (IE))
- Check the online project idea database
- Join thematic LinkedIn Groups [www.nweurope.eu](http://www.nweurope.eu)

## **National level:**

- Participate in national/regional info events
- Get in contact with the Luxembourgish Contact Point
- Register to the national Interreg-Mailing List (informal request to [cpInterreg.EuropeNwe@mat.etat.lu](mailto:cpInterreg.EuropeNwe@mat.etat.lu))



# Call Calendar



## 4<sup>th</sup> Call for proposals

17<sup>th</sup> October to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016

2 Open Calls a year (May & November)

**Good luck!**

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More information on:

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