

“European Territorial Co-operation beyond 2013”

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1. Present situation of territorial cooperation

- Financial support EU;
- European Neighborhood Programme Initiative ;
- Lisbon Treaty ;
- 2013 – 2020 Budgetary period;
- Territorial Cohesion.



2. Territorial cohesion (T.C.)

→ By concentration, connection, cooperation

- Territorial and 'excellence-oriented';
- Multilevel governance;
- HORIZONTAL and INTEGRAL.



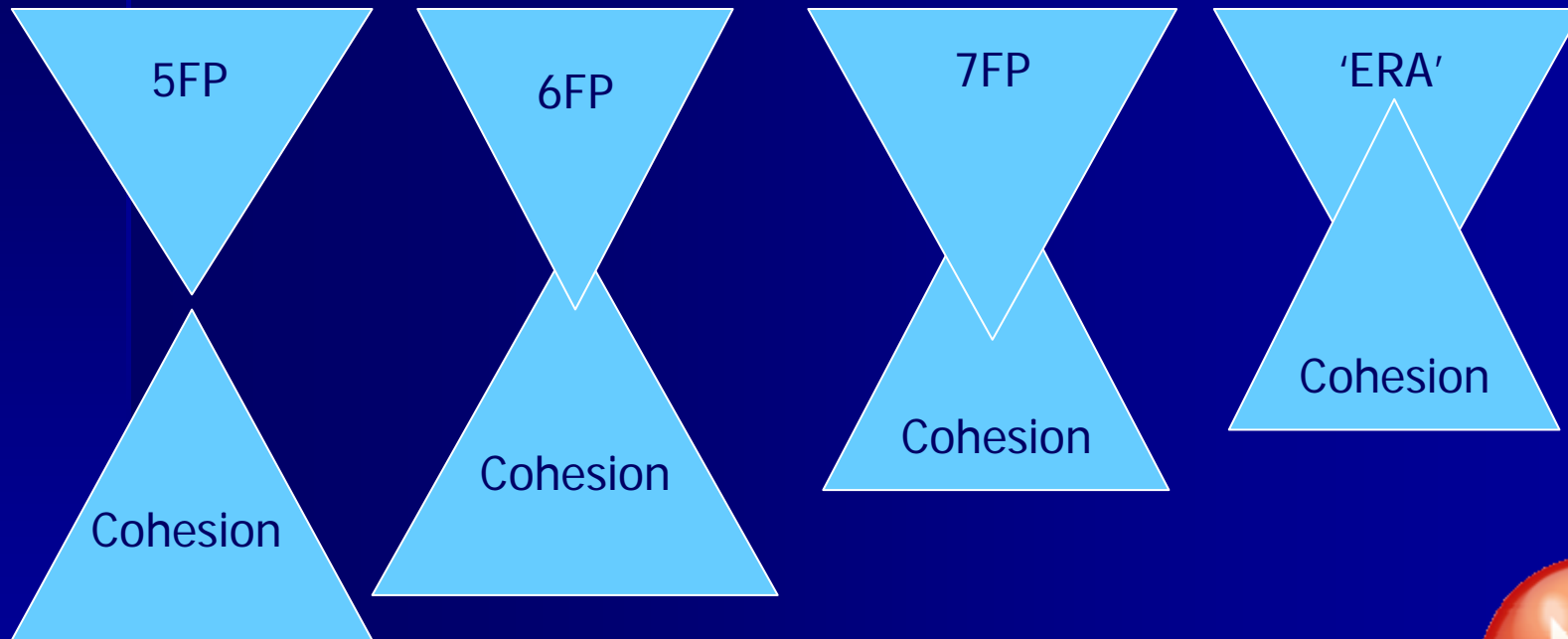
3. T.C. : Policy integration + use of other instruments

1999

2004

2007

2013



4. Policy complementarity : integration



5. Territorial Cohesion after 2010

→ EPP asks for Commission White Paper

- Territorial Cohesion : on which NUTS level ? Regions, 'meta-regions' ?
- New instruments.



6. Territorial Cohesion : new instruments

'European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation' (ENPI) :

- implementation
- evaluation

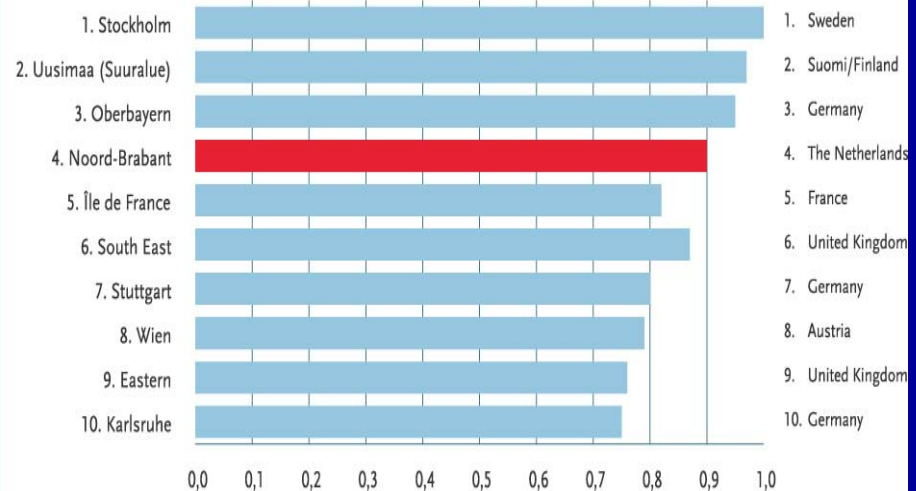
'Meta-regions' : Elat, Baltic, Black Sea areas : more strategic / flexible, less programmatic



7. 'Meta-regions' and European excellence-ranking (Source: SER)



European innovation scoreboard ranking RRSII
(revealed regional summary innovation index) (2003)



Brn: European Innovation Scoreboard, European Commission



8. ENPI

- Progress;
- Assembly of European Border Regions (AEBR) letter to Commission president (March 2009);
- Solution.



9. Focus

- **Additional agreement with Eur. Commission;**
- **Choices to be made;**
- **Tailor-made, bottom up**
- **Additional, innovative.**



10. 'Barca report'

- Place-based development strategy;
- Reform of Cohesion policy;
- Strengthening E.U. and Council of Europe's roles;
- Towards 'European Strategic Development Framework'.



11. Future

- Room for multilevel governance in domestic legal orders;
- Madrid Outline Convention;
- EGTC implemented;
- Advise local authorities and regions : innovation as key.



Thank you !

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