

<p>Title of workshop:</p> <p>Territorial Cooperation and Single Market: how to create tangible added value for citizens in cross-border territories and interregional networks</p>
<p>Date & time of workshop: 9 October, 9:00-10:45</p>
<p>Main outcomes:</p> <p>The European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) aims to bring about the territorial integration of cross-border regions and macro-regions. ETC projects therefore make a major contribution to the Single Market and the Europe 2020 strategy, while showing that Europe produces tangible results at the service of its citizens.</p> <p>The projects presented in the workshop contributed both to the Single Market and to one flagship domain of the Europe 2020 strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to go from brain drain to brain circulation? Improving talent mobility through cooperation among cities in the Baltic Sea Region.• Erasing border effect in the single market - the concerns of the Spanish-Portuguese border regions,• The joint action plan for the cross-border labour market within PAMINA – a project for employment at the German-French border in response to the needs of the citizens and the concerned players.
<p>Conclusions:</p> <p>The conclusions on presentations are following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mobility in Europe- the attracting of talent for jobs - is low in comparison to US. The reasons for low mobility include lack of information, too much bureaucracy and differing visa and residence rules. In general not enough pre-arrival information is available, e.g. on schools, social services and professional and social integration.- In order to promote mobility, cooperation and employment – it is needed to reduce cultural & economic barriers. In particular in the context of cross-border territories, as 40% of the EU population lives in cross-border territories,
<p>Useful sources/events/contacts/etc. :</p> <p>To learn more about different aspects of territorial cooperation and the Single Market, please see the links below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- How to go from brain drain to brain circulation? Improving talent mobility through cooperation among cities in the Baltic Sea Region: Union of Baltic Cities - www.ubc.net;- Erasing border effects in the single market - the concerns of the Spanish-Portuguese border regions: Iberian Network of Cross-border Bodies (RIET), www.rietiberica.eu- Point of view of the Commission: European Commissioner for Internal Market and Services http://ec.europa.eu/commission_2010-2014/barnier/index_en.htm