

Kolarctic 2021-2027

Look into the new programme

Inspiration Exchange Day
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Priorities of the Kolarctic 2021-2027

1. A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area

- **Research and innovation capacities** and **advanced technologies**
- **Reaping the benefits of digitisation** for society

2. A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area

- **Climate change adaptation** and **disaster risk prevention, resilience;**
- **Protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure,** and **reducing all forms of pollution**

3. An attractive, vibrant and culturally diverse Kolarctic area

- Role of **culture and sustainable tourism** in **economic development, social inclusion** and **social innovation**



4. People-to-people cooperation for connected and active communities in Kolarctic area.

- **People-to-people actions** for increased trust

Specific Objective 1.1. Enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies

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- Innovations
- Shared use of regional research infrastructures
- Business sector involvement in RDI clusters/networks and in the educational programs
- Sustainable utilisation of natural resources

Examples of cross-border activities:

- Clustering in important industries and between research institutes
- Multi-locational innovation / testing piloting processes
- Joint investment plans
- Educational and exchange programmes
- Agenda-setting for innovation and applied research projects
- Living labs, pilots and demonstrations

Specific Objective 1.2. Reaping the benefits of digitisation for citizens, companies and governments

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- Hybrid solutions for remote and rural areas
- Quality of and access to public service provision
- MSME competitiveness
- Smart mobility solutions

Examples of cross-border activities:

- Digital and administrative solutions allowing remote work across national borders
- Capacity building (learning, training and networking)
- Education material and pedagogy for distance learning
- Digital platforms for business opportunities
- Digital solutions to ensure safe and efficient cross-border transportation and compatibility of monitoring systems

Specific Objective 2.1. Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, resilience, taking into account eco-system based approaches

2. A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area

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- Prevention and management of climate related risks
- New technologies and methods for climate resilience and monitoring
- Use of traditional knowledge
- Common access, collection, management and analysis to reliable climate monitoring data
- Human induced risks
- Search and rescue cooperation

Examples of cross-border activities:

- Trainings, exchange of knowledge and best practices
- Awareness raising and communication
- Common strategies and action plans for climate change adaptation and for risk management
- Piloting new methods/solutions
- Data collection and exchange
- Reconstruction or installation of green infrastructure

Specific Objective 2.2. Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution

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- Preservation of biodiversity
- Green infrastructure development
- Invasive species management and conservation of native species
- Environmental monitoring, mapping and restoration
- Sustainable management of natural resources

Examples of cross-border activities:

- Awareness raising and communication
- Restoration and damage mitigation measures
- Data collection, surveys, inventory and analysis, scenario building and plans
- Joint plans and strategies, working methods
- Piloting and building green infrastructure

Specific Objective 3.1. Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation

3. An attractive, vibrant and culturally diverse Kolarctic area

- Role of **culture and sustainable tourism** in **economic development, social inclusion** and **social innovation**



- Recovery from Covid-19
- Sustainable and inclusive tourism
- Culture and tourism services both for visitors and residents
- Creative and intangible culture and cultural heritage
- Creative industries
- Use of new technologies

Examples of cross-border activities:

- Cross-border travel concepts and services
- Joint cultural and travel products
- Knowledge exchange and joint solution and competence-enhancing initiatives
- Events, festivals, campaigns
- Accessibility and mobility solutions
- Refined or new cross-border products, methods, services and networks in culture and creative industries

Specific Objective 4.1. People-to-people actions for increased trust

4. People-to-people cooperation for **connected** and **active communities** in Kolarctic area.

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- Empowered local communities
- Re-establishment of cross-border relations
- Trust building
- Promotion of volunteering
- Active citizen participation
- Digital and non-digital connection of people

Examples of cross-border activities:

- People to people activities for raising awareness about social challenges e.g. circular economy, climate related issues, digital transition
- Joint cultural activities and events
- Learn from each other and foster a sense of togetherness with activities such as student and youth exchanges, skills collaboration, joint educational activities, summer schools etc

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What do we know and what is still to be decided?

We know:

- Programme area
- No large infrastructure projects
- Introduction of simplified cost options
- Small scale projects in each priority
- New monitoring system (Jems)

To be decided:

- Financing framework
- Funding rate (%)
- Project assessment and selection procedure
- Official name of the programme
- Fine-tuning the performance framework (indicators)
- First call



THANK YOU!