

Interreg Projects connected to PA8

A guide for the projects in the field of Circular Economy

EU Strategy for Danube Region Priority Area 8
Competitiveness of enterprises

This overview should help you to:

- (1) Connect and network with Interreg projects and stakeholders of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)
- (2) Understand initiatives that are connected to Priority Area 8
- (3) Foster exchange among various Interreg projects, facilitating the sharing of ideas and best practices to effectively address common challenges
- (4) Create a platform to showcase successes and results and inspire the initiation of new partnerships

Plan C – Key facts

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| Project title | Plan C - Moving Plastics and mAchine iNdustry towards Circularity |
| Description | A consortium of 14 partners from 9 countries aims to develop circular plastics guidelines to build regional knowledge and capacities. Among others, legal aspects account for the most challenging tasks as of now. |
| Start date | 01 January 2024 |
| End date | 30 June 2026 |
| Budget | 2,169,500 EUR 80% funded by Interreg Funds |
| Lead partner | Business Upper Austria |
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Plan C – Key facts

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| Project partners | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Austria Business Service - AT• Technology Center Horb - DE• Czech Plastics Cluster - CZ• Tomas Bata University in Zlín - CZ• Slovak Plastic Cluster - SK• Technical University of Košice, Faculty of Manufacturing Technologies, Prešov - SK• Ompack First Hungarian Packaging Technology Cluster - HU• Innovation Center of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University Belgrade - RS• Romanian Cluster Association - RO• Petru Poni” Institute of Macromolecular Chemistry - RO• Innoskart Business Development - HU• Foundation for Innovation, Technology and Knowledge Transfer - BA• Sorintex - Association of Light Industry Enterprises - MD <p>9 Countries, 14 Partners</p> |
| Website | <p>Plan-C Plan-C (interreg-danube.eu) PA8 Flagship project 2024: PLAN C - PA 08 (danube-region.eu)</p> |

DECIDE – Key facts

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| Project title | DECIDE - Digital Services for the Circular Economy - a Toolbox for Regional Development & SME |
| Description | DECIDE aims to make sustainable products the norm in the EU; focus on the sectors that use most resources and where the potential for circularity is high, including batteries and vehicles, packaging, textiles, plastics, ICT, construction and buildings, food, water and nutrients; ensure less waste; make circularity work for people, regions and cities. The development and implementation of CEBM meets common obstacles in the DR such as local regulations contrary to the circular concept, lack of infrastructure for waste treatment, lack of recycling technology and especially a lack of adequately planned business models. This is where the project aims to intervene by providing methods and tools to SMEs. |
| Start date | 01 January 2024 |
| End date | 30 June 2026 |
| Budget | 2,866,750 EUR 80% funded by Interreg Funds |
| Lead partner | Centre for Digitalisation Böblingen District - ZD.BB. GmbH |
| Contact | Dr. Claus Hoffmann E-Mail: Hoffmann@zd-bb.de |

DECIDE – Key facts

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| Project partners | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Innovation Salzburg GmbH - AT• Reutlingen University, Herman-Hollerth-Center - DE• University of Zagreb, Faculty of Organization and Informatics - HR• Technology Innovation Centre Medimurje Ltd. - HR• Social cooperative Humana Nova - HR• University of Maribor - SI• Pulp and Paper Institute - SI• ANTEJA ECG D.O.O. SI• Sofia University, Science and Research Department - BG• Omnipack First Hungarian Packaging Technology Center - HU• University of Medicine, Pharmacy, Science and Technology G.E. Palade of Targu Mures - RO• Alumni Association of Petru Maior University - RO• Alecu Russo Balti State University - MD• Regional agency for the development of small & medium state enterprises Alma Mons Ltd. Novi Sad - RS• Sarajevo Economic Region Development Agency - BA <p>10 Countries, 16 Partners</p> |
| Website | <p>https://zd-bb.de/ https://interreg-danube.eu/projects/decide</p> |

CI-HUB – Key facts

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| Project title | CI-HUB |
| Description | The project will provide real-life testing environment for innovative approaches with developed user-centered, open innovation system, integrating relevant quadruple helix stakeholders from partner ecosystems to help uptake circular technologies in less developed partner regions and accelerate cross-border marketability and technology uptake. |
| Start date | 01 January 2024 |
| End date | 30 June 2026 |
| Budget | 2,351,007 EUR 80% funded by Interreg Funds |
| Lead partner | Pomurje Technology Park |
| Contact | Maja Susec E-Mail: maja@p-tech.si |

CI-HUB – Key facts

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| Project partners | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MGFÜ Közhasznú Nonprofit Kft. - HU• Business Development Agency of Karlovy Vary - CZ• Technical University of Cluj-Napoca - RO• ICT Cluster - BG• Science Technology Park Cacak - RS• Digital Innovation Hub ONEX - BA• BWCON research - DE• Technical University of Kosice - SK• Carinthia UAS-non profit limited liability company - AT• Croatian Chamber of Economy-Country Chamber Varazdin - HR• Organization for Entrepreneurship Development - MD• Science and technology park Montenegro - ME <p>13 Countries, 13 Partners</p> |
| Website | <p>Pomurski tehnološki park CI-Hub CI-Hub</p> |

GREEN-TEX – Key facts

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| Project title | Green-Tex |
| Description | The project is applying a multi-sectoral approach by integrating partners & stakeholders from the textile, waste collection and recycling, product design and other sectors. It also integrates all actors within a quadruple innovation helix framework, relevant for the successful application of circularity in the textile sector. |
| Start date | 01 January 2024 |
| End date | 30 June 2026 |
| Budget | 1,790,300 EUR 80% funded by Interreg Funds |
| Lead partner | Sarajevo Economic Region Development Agency (SERDA) |
| Contact | Prof. Dr. sc. Sandra Bischof |

GREEN-TEX – Key facts

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| Project partners | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Municipality of Postojna - SI• NATIVA, Institute for Sustainable Growth - SI• EKOCHARITY - SK• Eurotex - BG• Municipality of Majur - HR• University of Zagreb Faculty of Textile Technology - HR• University of Donja Gorica - ME• Zlatibor Regional Development Agency - RS• Bucharest Metropolitan Area Intercommunity Development Association - RO• First Hungarian Responsible Innovation Association - HU <p>9 Countries, 11 Partners</p> |
| Website | <p>Enhancing Danube Green Textile and Garment Production and Consumption - TTF Green-Tex GREEN-TEX</p> |

TEX-DAN – Key facts

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| Project title | TEX-DAN |
| Description | The project aims to improve circularity in the value chain of the textile and fashion industry through transnational cooperation in the Danube Region. The main focus is on four areas: 1) Bioeconomic clothing; 2) Circular design; 3) Circular production processes; 4) Recycling. An important part of the project is the transfer of knowledge to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), which is made possible by the development of awareness-raising measures, training concepts and best practise solutions. |
| Start date | 01 January 2024 |
| End date | 30 June 2026 |
| Budget | 2,716,892 EUR 80% funded by Interreg Funds |
| Lead partner | South Transdanubian Regional Innovation Agency |
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TEX-DAN – Key facts

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| Project partners | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• JAIP - South Bohemian Agency for Support to Innovation - CZ• National Recycling Agency of Slovakia - SK• Center of Excellence for Circular Economy and Climate Change Ilc.Novi Sad - RS• Institute for Sustainable Development - SI• Reginnova NE Innovation and R&D - RO• Development Agency of the Republik of Srpska - BA• Croatian Agency for SME, Innovation and Investments - HR• Regional Agency for Entrepreneurship and Innovations - BG• BSC, Business support organisation, ltd., Kranj - SI• IFKA Public Benefit Nonprofit Ltd. - HU• ZIPHOUSE Fashion Innovation Hub - MD• Blue Planet Climate Protection Foundation - HU• Paris Lodron University Salzburg - AT <p>11 Countries, 14 Partners</p> |
| Website | <p>Translate to English: TEX-DAN - Moving forward with circularity in textile and fashion value chains FH Salzburg TEX-DAN Homepage</p> |

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