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A reformed EU cohesion policy

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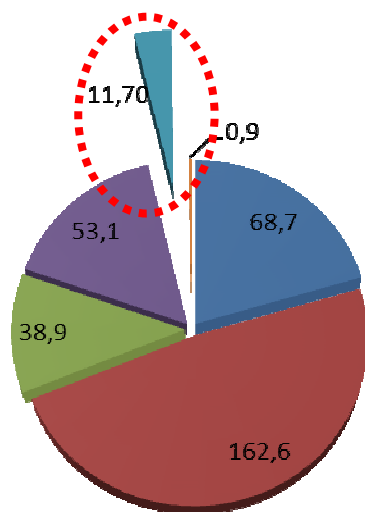
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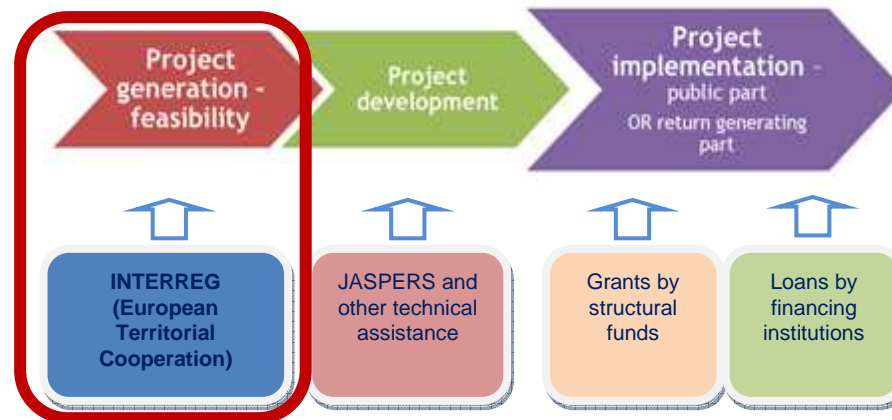
Funds available

EU cohesion policy overall 351,80 billion EUR
 INTERREG programmes (all strands) 11,70 billion EUR
 Transnational programmes 2,12 billion EUR
 CENTRAL EUROPE 2020 0,246 billion EUR



- Cohesion Fund¹
- Less developed regions
- Transition regions
- More developed regions
- European Territorial Cooperation
- Outermost regions

¹ €10 billion from the Cohesion Fund will be allocated to the Connecting Europe Facility



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Result orientation

Simplification

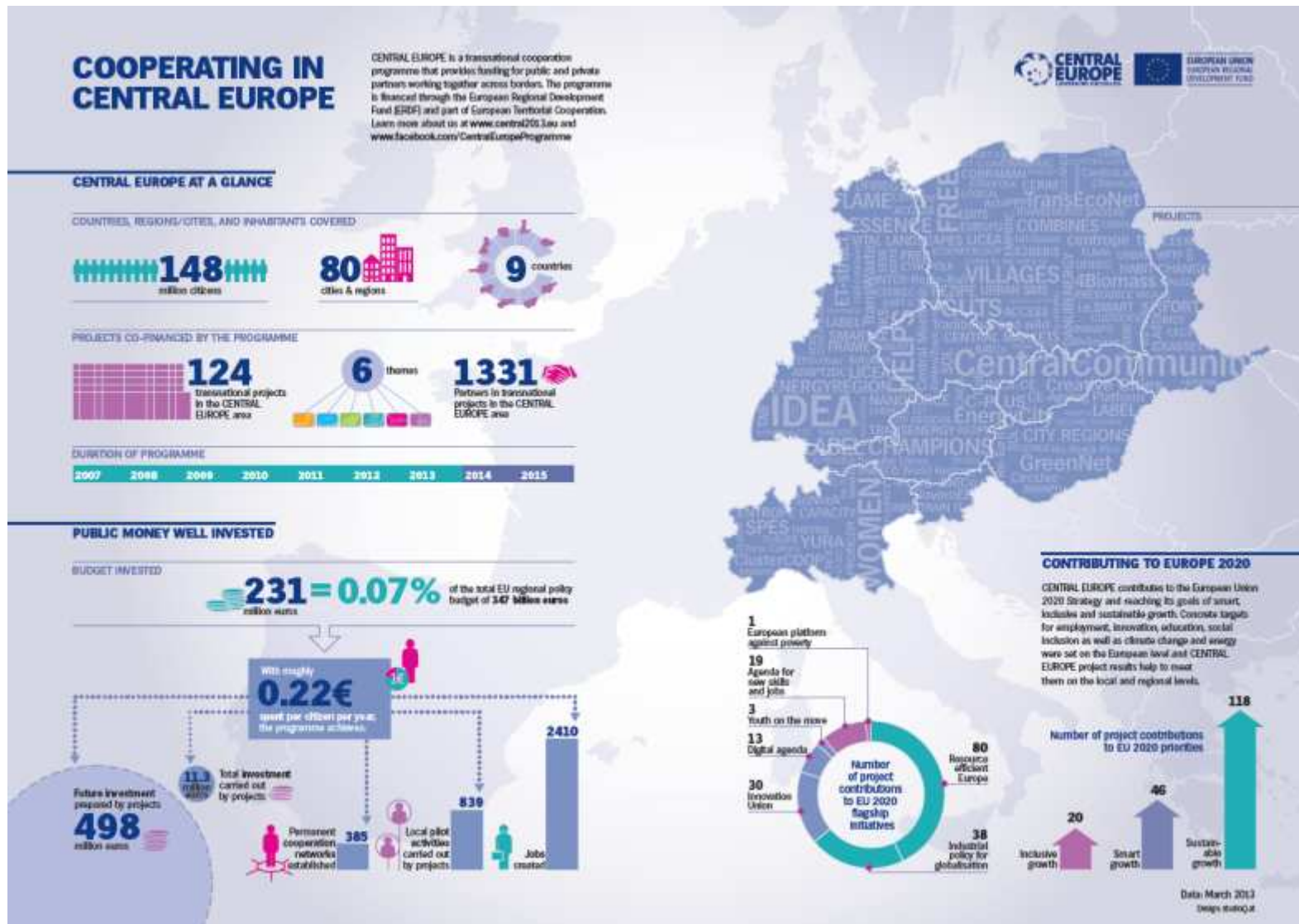
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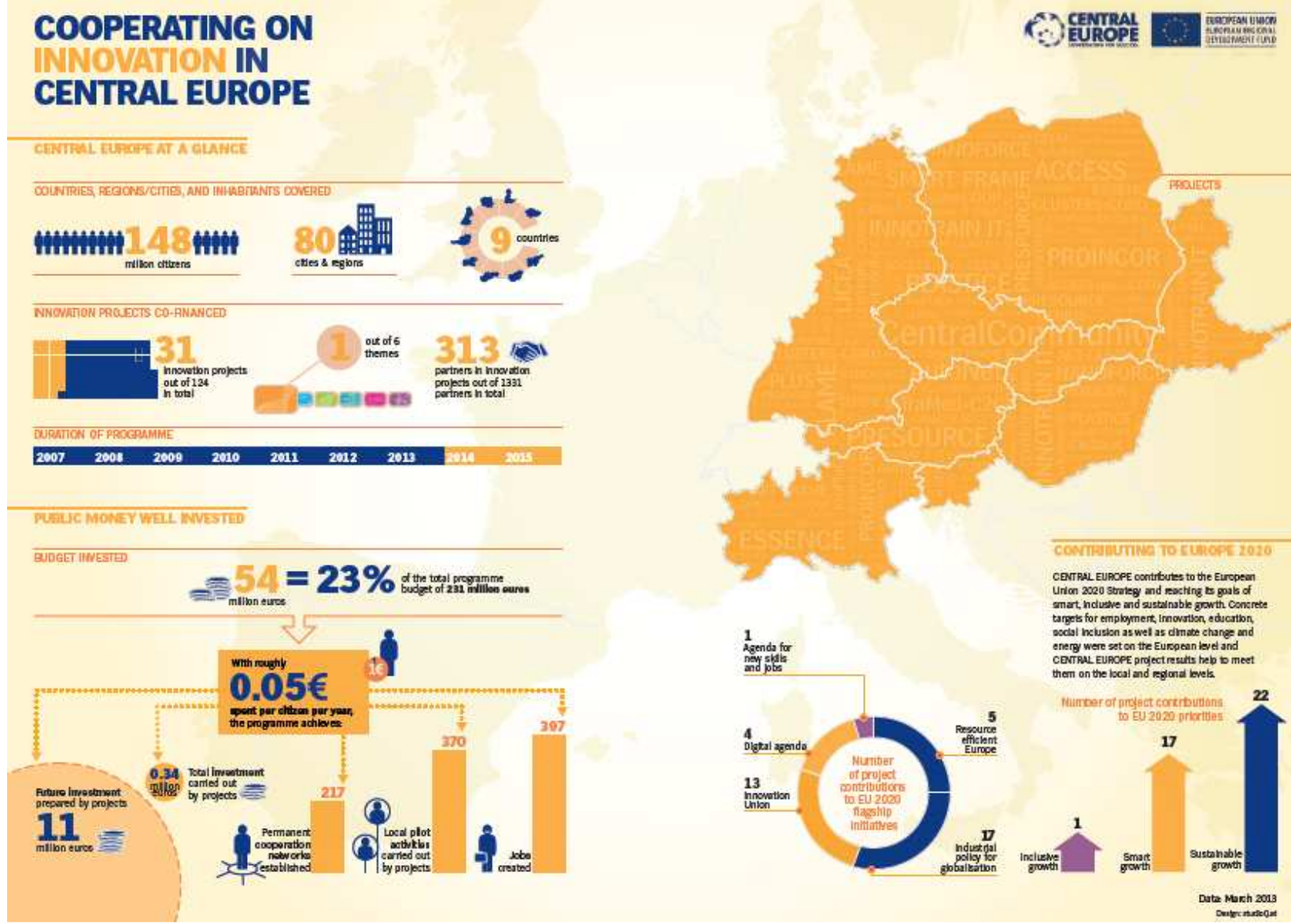


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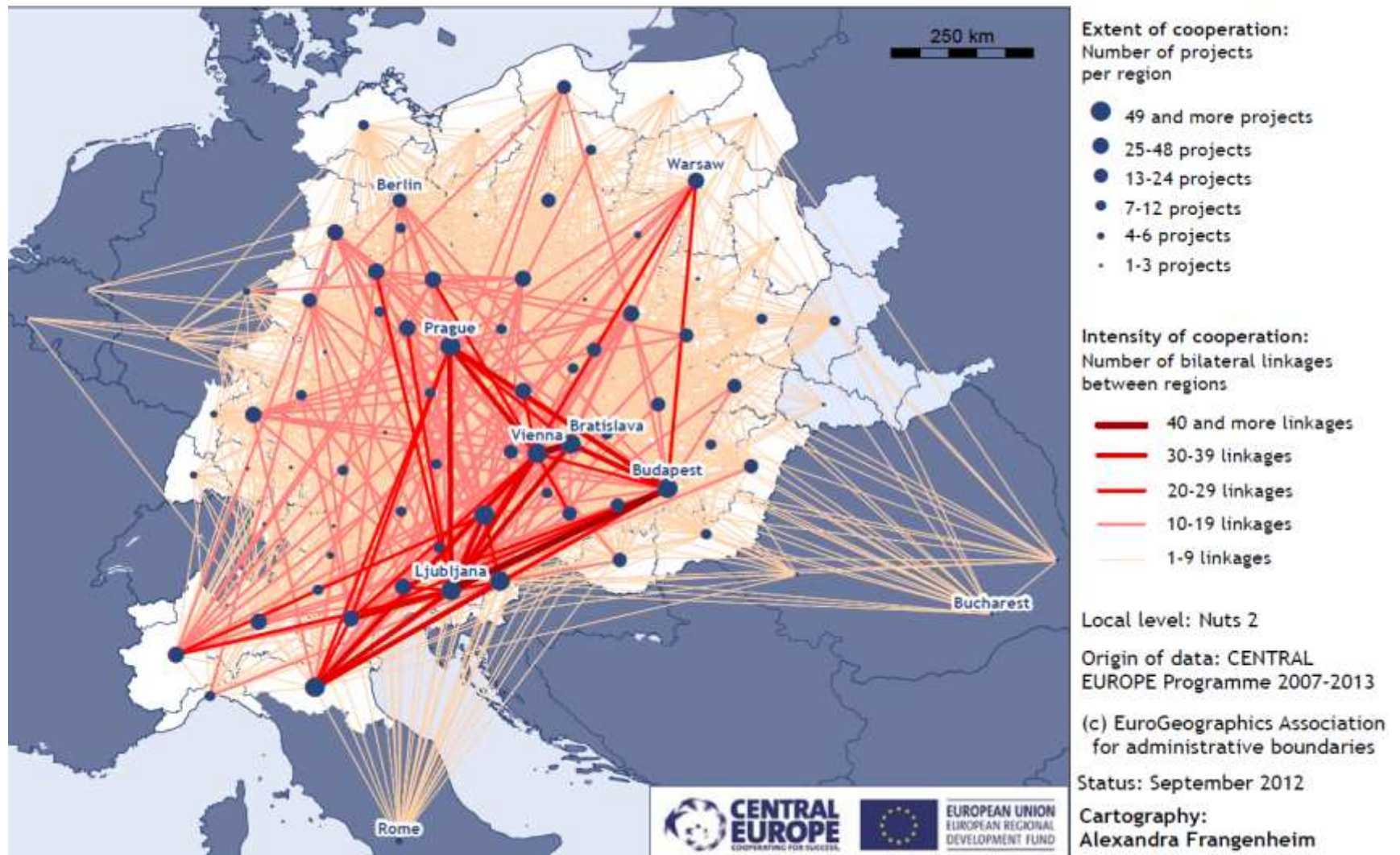
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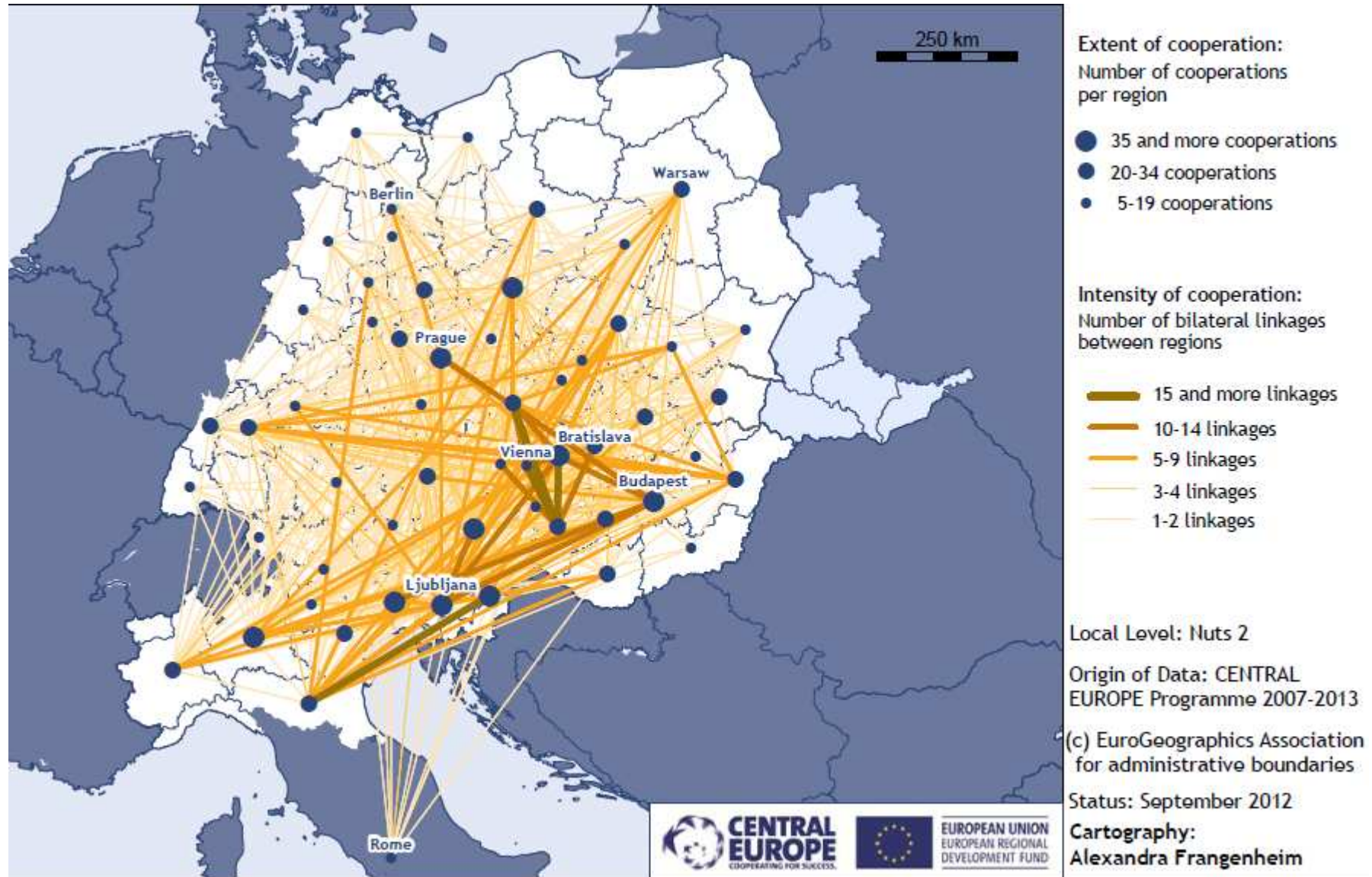
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Joining forces to fight floods

Thematic study: Technology transfer and business innovation in the CENTRAL EUROPE Programme

FINAL REPORT

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A new geography

Covering an area of over 1 million km² the new CENTRAL EUROPE area is currently home to about 142 million people. The programme area includes nine EU Member States.

The Croatian regions have newly joined CENTRAL EUROPE.

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EU Thematic Objectives

TO1: Strengthening research, technological development and innovation

TO 4: Supporting the shift towards a low-carbon economy in all sectors

TO 6: Preserving and protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency

TO 7: Promoting sustainable transport removing bottlenecks in key network infrastructure



Cooperating beyond borders in CENTRAL EUROPE to make our cities and regions better places to live and work

CENTRAL EUROPE Priorities

P1: Cooperating on innovation to make CENTRAL EUROPE more competitive

P2: Cooperating on low carbon strategies in CENTRAL EUROPE

P3: Cooperating on natural and cultural resources for sustainable growth in CENTRAL EUROPE

P4: Cooperating on transport to better connect CENTRAL EUROPE

What we will co-finance



Priority 1

Cooperating on innovation to make CENTRAL EUROPE more competitive

Objectives

To improve sustainable linkages among actors of the innovation systems for strengthening regional innovation capacity in central Europe

To improve skills and entrepreneurial competences for advancing economic and social innovation in central European regions

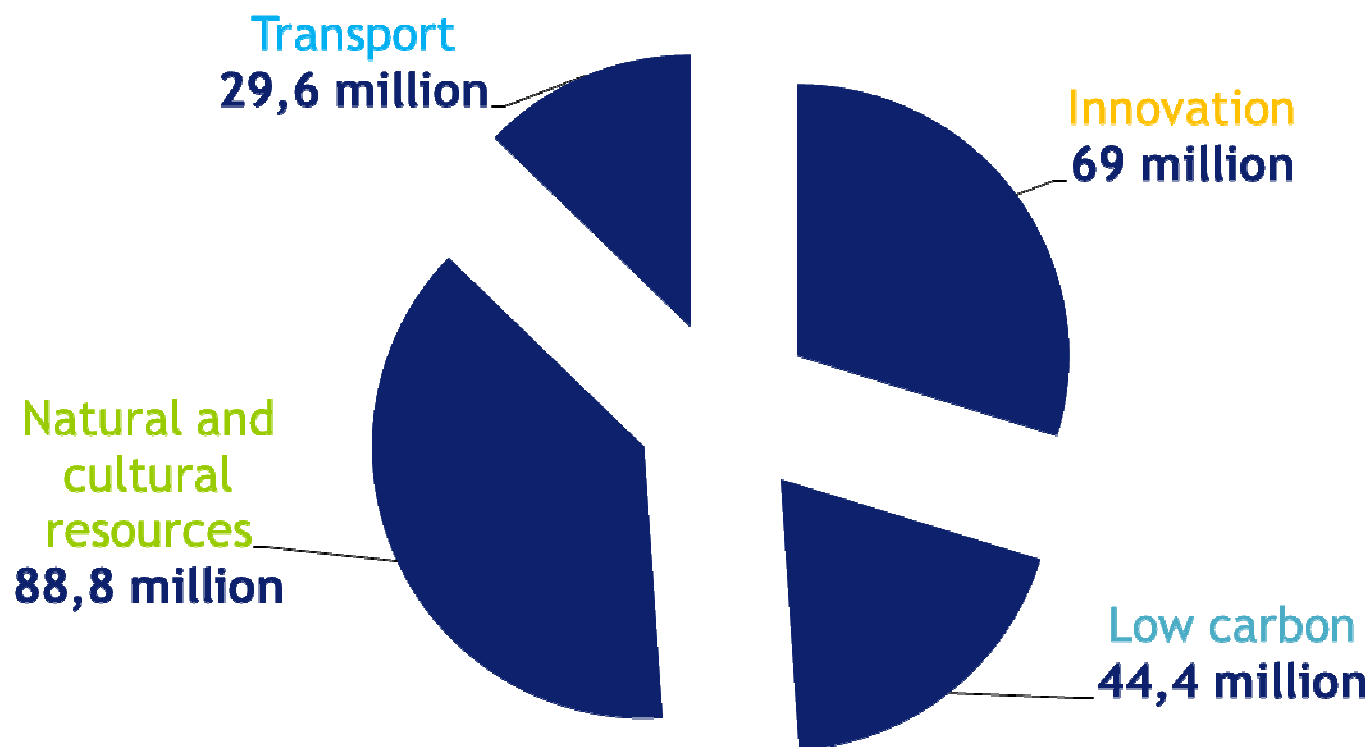
Actions

- Innovation networks and clusters
- Transfer R&D-results to business
- Services for innovation support
- Ease access to financing of innovation
- Increase cooperation between research, public and private sector

- Increase employees' skills on novel technologies/products/services/processes (regional smart specialisation)
- Improve attitudes/mind-sets towards entrepreneurship
- Improve technological and managerial competences for entrepreneurship and social innovation
- Introduce innovative learning systems considering demographic change



ERDF allocation per priority



- ERDF co-financing rate:
 - 85 % (CZ, HR, HU, PL, SK, SI)
 - 80 % (AT, DE, IT)

Features of the first call



Key facts and figures of the first call for proposals

- Open to **all programme priorities** and **all specific objectives**
- Organised according to a **“two-step” procedure**
- Indicative financial allocation up to **EUR 80 million ERDF**
- **Web-based** application form
- **Simplified formal requirements** for submission
- Will be launched upon adoption of the programme by the European Commission (indicatively in **early 2015**)



Two-step call procedure

- Step 1 will be **limited to few fields of the application form**:
 - Territorial challenges, transnational cooperation approach
 - Project focus - objectives and expected results
 - Sustainability and transferability
 - Policy context
 - Basic information on thematic work packages
 - Indicative budget
 - Partner information
- **Continuity** between the two steps must be ensured in terms of:
 - Project focus (objectives and expected results)
 - Partnership (Lead Applicant must remain the same)
 - Total project budget



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Main project characteristics

- Recommended **financial size**:

1 to 5 million EUR total project budget. Smaller or larger projects will be supported in exceptional cases

- Recommended **project duration**:

30 to 36 months (up to maximum 48 months)

- Recommended **size of the partnership**:

up to a maximum of 12 partners (but: more are not excluded)

- **Partnerships** must be composed of:

at least 3 financing partners from 3 countries, at least 2 of them located in the programme area. In duly justified cases, projects can be implemented outside the cooperation area.

Tools for project ideas and partner search



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CENTRAL NEWS

28 July 2014
CENTRAL EUROPE 2020:
Cooperation Programme submitted
to the European Commission

28 July 2014
CENTRAL EUROPE Annual
Conference 2014: Documentation

27 July 2014
European Commission: Cohesion
Policy open data platform
launched

CENTRAL EUROPE

CENTRAL EUROPE 2020 will continue to support regional cooperation among central European countries: Austria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, as well as parts of Germany and Italy. The overall objective of the programme is "to cooperate beyond borders to make central European cities and regions better places to live and work" by implementing smart solutions answering

CENTRAL DOCUMENTS

CENTRAL EUROPE 2020 Cooperation Programme (Draft submitted to European Commission incl. glossary, July 2014; pdf 2.9 MB)

Summary of CENTRAL EUROPE 2020 Cooperation Programme (Draft, July 2014; pdf 759 KB)

Main inputs collected through partner dialogues (October 2013, pdf 4.6 MB)

Tools for exchange on project ideas and partner search can be found at:

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