



Implementing S3

Online Thematic Workshop, Wednesday 16 March 2022 – 14:00-16:30 (CET)

Agenda	
14:00 – 14:45	Short introduction by TO1 thematic experts on the Interreg Europe Policy Learning Platform and the workshop agenda (5 minutes)
	Moderated Keynote Panel Discussion – Implementing S3 in light of Societal Grand Challenges
	2 keynote speakers
	Implementing S3 – main challenges in 2014-2020 Fernando Merida, JRC S3 Platform, Sevilla (10 minutes presentation)
	Implementing S3 – The Societal Grand Challenges Ahead • Elisabetta Marinelli, Policy Research Interface, Spain (10 minutes presentation)
	Questions: moderated discussion by TO1 Thematic Experts (20 minutes)
14:45 – 14:55	Break - with opportunities for participants to get to know each other
14:55 – 15:40	Implementing S3 – Good Practices
	 Alexandre Almeida, Portuguese National Innovation Agency (ANI), Cross-Border Smart Specialisation Strategy of Galicia – Northern Portugal (RIS3T) (S34GROWTH) (8 minutes presentation) Leire Seara, Azaro Foundation, implementation of a sub-regional S3 aligned to the RIS3 (COHES3ION) (8 minutes presentation)
	Discussant: Annamaria Fiore, Regional Agency for Technology and Innovation, ARTI Puglia, Italy (IMPROVE and PASSPARTOOL) (5 minutes)
	Questions: moderated discussion by TO1 Thematic Experts (~20 minutes)
15:40–16:25	Working groups on Implementing S3
	Participants are divided into two to three groups (around 10-15 participants per group max)
	 TO1 Thematic Experts facilitate the group discussions and make sure that discussions in each group runs smoothly and provides references to Interreg Europe projects. Participants will be encouraged when registering to the online workshop to prepare a slide to present how their regions are implementing the S3, if any (1 slide/2 minutes). Thematic experts provide a list of questions to discuss, such as, but not limited to, what are some initiatives in your region to effectively implement S3? What are the main challenges and how to overcome them?



	Final concluding remarks (~5 minutes)
16:25	End of online event
16:25-17:10	Online Expert Helpdesk – possibility to book in advance an individual meeting (10 minutes slot) with the Thematic Experts (and the PLP core team if needed) to discuss specific needs and policy challenges