

## **Discussion paper**

for stakeholder consultation to be held on Wednesday 15 March, 14h00-16h00  
at the premises of the Committee of the Regions (Rue Van Maerlant 2, B-1040 Brussels), Room VMA 8/45

Preparation of the CoR opinion

# **People-to-people and small scale projects in cross-border cooperation programmes**

## **1. Definition of small projects**

- What should be the maximum size for the project to be considered people-to-people? How should such projects be defined as far as content is concerned?
- What should be the maximum size of small scale (infrastructure) projects?
- Should there be a minimum size set for such projects?

## **2. Past and current situation – overview of the use of P2P and small projects in CBC programmes**

- What are your experiences with financing people-to-people and small scale projects in the past and in the current programming period?
- How did the implementation of such projects evolved? (positive and negative changes)

## **3. Added value of people-to-people and small scale projects**

- What is the added value of people-to-people projects and small scale projects that you see in your region?
- Can you provide specific examples as supporting evidence?

## **4. Advantages of decentralized implementation**

- What are the advantages of decentralized implementation of people-to-people and small scale projects that you see in your region?
- Can you provide specific examples as supporting evidence?

## **5. Role of euroregions and similar cross-border structures**

- What is the role of euroregions and similar cross-border structures (incl. EGTCs) in the decentralized implementation of people-to-people and small scale projects in your region?
- What would be the ideal role of such structures in the future CBC programmes?

## **6. Simplification as a prerequisite for successful implementation of small projects**

- What are the biggest administrative burdens faced by P2P and small scale projects in your region?
- What simplification mechanisms are used for such projects in your region?
- What further simplification measures should be introduced in the future generation of cross-border programmes?

## **7. Recommendations for the future CBC programmes 2020+**

- What are your recommendations for the future CBC programmes in this respect?