



RESILIENT BORDERS

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Gorizia, Italy

FINAL EVENT

**Cross-Border Spatial Planning and
Crisis Management Pilot Actions**



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RESILIENT
BORDERS
CROSS-BORDER
SPATIAL PLANNING &
CRISIS MANAGEMENT PILOTS

Programme of the Final Conference of Resilient Borders

Day 1 – Wednesday, November 12th, 2025

08h45

Welcome coffee

brought to you by the Cross-border school

9h15

1st part: Internal Workshop of the pilot actions *(open only for RB pilot actions)*

1h45'

Resilient Borders - Internal workshop I

- Welcome and introduction (10')
- Roundtable of the pilot actions (15')
- Split into three parallel groups (each pilot will participate in all three World Cafés)
- World Café I (40')
- World café II (40')

11h00

Break and poster session 1

together with the Cross-border school

Presentation of pilot actions

- **CM2 - Building cross-border resilience to animal diseases through joint crisis management**
by Thomas Kikis, Region of Eastern Macedonia & Thrace
- **CM9 - Joint action plan for strengthening cross-border cooperation in disaster management**
by Iva Brejzová, DG Fire Rescue Service of the Czech Republic
- **SP2 - Deep rooting resilience: mapping a future for the Zeeuws-Wase bossen**
by Vincent De Keer, EGTS Linieland van Waas en Hulst
- **SP9 - Frankfurt-Slubice Masterplan 2025-2035**
by Marcin Krzymuski, City of Frankfurt (Oder)-Slubice

11h30

1h30'

Resilient Borders - Internal workshop I (continued)

- World café III (40')
- Sharing of group work (25')
- Discussion and exchange (25')

13h00

Lunch and poster session 2

together with the Cross-border school

Presentation of pilot actions

- **CM6 - Preparing a joint emergency preparedness plan for the border region**
by Anne Huse, ARKO
- **CM10 - Developing a regulatory framework for cross-border firefighter cooperation**
by Anita PEPICQ, Pyrénées-Atlantiques Departmental Fire and Rescue Service (SDIS64)
- **SP6 - Galicia North Portugal Strategic Cross-Border Planning 2025-2027**
by Nuno Almeida, Galicia Norte Portugal EGTC

14h00	<h2 style="text-align: center;">2nd part: 3rd session of the Cross-border School - Project management in practice - Resilient Borders</h2>
1h30'	<p>Resilient Borders Final Event (coordinated by AEBR* and MOT**): Presentation and discussion of results of 19 pilot actions</p> <p>Lot 1: cross-border management Lot 2: spatial planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderation by Martín Guillermo Ramírez, Secretary General, AEBR • Introduction by Silvia Gobert-Keckeis, MOT • Presentations by representatives of Spatial planning and Crisis management pilot actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crisis Management - (CM4) Cross-AI Connect: Strengthening border resilience, by Marcin Krzymuski, Cities of Frankfurt (Oder)-Slubice • Crisis Management - (CM7) SEPORA - Sectorisation Postojna Rijeka action, by Jasna Grgurić Malović, City of Rijeka • Spatial Planning - (SP1) Developing a cross-border housing monitor for sustainable urban planning policy by Johan Desseyn, researcher for the BGTC North Sea Port District • Spatial Planning - (SP10) CLLD-oriented facilitation of cross-border planning across the Polish-Lithuanian Functional Area by Anna Klunczynska, EGTC Polish-Lithuanian Cross-border Functional Area • Matteo Berzi, CB Data Hub, European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) • Ricardo Ferreira, European Commission's Border Focal Point, DG Regio • AEBR Advisory Committee (Beirat)
15h30	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Tea and poster session 3</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">together with the Cross-border school</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Presentation of pilot actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CM1 - Enhancing flood and drought resilience along the river Drava by Judit Füzér, Pannon EGTC on behalf of Baranya County and Podravina county • CM8 - BordeRisks - Cross-border risks and solutions by Dimitrios Milikas, Municipality of Orestiada • SP5 - Euroregional roadmap for Donostia - Bayonne direct and public rail services by Leyra Azcona, Euroregion Nouvelle-Aquitaine Euskadi Navarre • SP3 - Updating the 3Land Spatial concept - continuing joint cross-border development by Frédéric Duvinage, Trinational Eurodistrict Basel
16h00	CBS talks: the future of CBC - practice and research options (part of CB school)
16h45	Closing of Day one

* Association of European Border Regions (AEBR)

** Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière (MOT)

Programme of the Final Conference of Resilient Borders

Day 2 – Thursday, November 13th, 2025

09h00	Registration and welcome coffee of the ECBP annual meeting
10h30-13h00	See detailed programme of the ECBP annual meeting programme
13h00	Lunch
14h30	3 rd part: Thematic session “Resilient borders”
1h15'	<p>Thematic session “Resilient borders”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Moderator: Jean Peyrony, Director General, Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière (MOT)• Speakers:• Ricardo Ferreira, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission• Martín Guillermo Ramírez, Secretary General, Association of European Border Regions (AEBR)• Roberto Ciambetti, Member of the European Committee of the Regions• Federica Gallus, EGTC GO, representing its Crisis Management pilot action (CM3) CONNECT: Cooperative networks for cross-border engagement, climate adaptation and territorial resilience• Monica Colucci, Community of Agglomeration of the French Riviera, representing its Spatial Planning pilot action (SP4) Riviera Node Mobilities: Challenges for planning
15h45	Break
16h00	See detailed programme of the ECBP annual meeting programme
17h15	Closing of day two & light networking dinner

The ECBP annual meeting will continue until Friday, November 14th with the EGTC Working Group annual meeting.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SESSIONS OF THE FINAL EVENT

- **World Cafés** (on 12/11 morning): Are designed to exchange between pilot actions on specific topics: Stakeholder implication, lessons learnt, resilience and next steps.

Please note, **each pilot action** will be invited and has the possibility to **shortly present** their outcomes within the Final event of the Resilient Borders initiative in one the following settings:

- **Poster sessions** (on 12/11 at 11h00 / 13h00 / 15h30): In each poster session 4 pilots may shortly present their results showcased on their poster.
- **CB School - Presentation and discussion of results of 19 pilot actions** (on 12/11 afternoon): Within the discussion, 2 pilots from each lot Spatial planning, and Crisis management will be invited as speakers on the panel to shortly present their pilot actions and discuss with the other panelists of the CB School.

14.00 3rd session: Project Management in Practice: [Resilient Borders](#) Final Event

Introduction: **AEBR** and **MOT**

Presentations by representatives of various cases

Matteo Berzi, *CB Data Hub*, European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC)

Ricardo Ferreira, European Commission's *Border Focal Point*, DG Regio

AEBR Advisory Committee (*Beirat*)



AEBR, MOT, CESCO, TEIN, and other organisations of border and cross-border regions and universities have repeatedly insisted on the need to pay special attention to the cross-border resilience of borderlands, and the EU institutions have been very open and receptive. Pandemics, conflicts, climate change, and other crises affect most territories, but border regions also face specific conditions due to their location, including demographic and digital challenges, mobility gaps, and many governance, legal and administrative constraints when cooperating with their neighbours. RB has supported various cross-border territories in strengthening their preparedness for emergencies and in jointly planning their land. This session will present the preliminary results of these pilot actions to colleagues from the European Commission's Unit dealing with CBC and financing the action, and also to the Joint Centre established to research a variety of aspects which need scientific scrutiny before entering the legislative process.

- **Thematic session "Resilient borders"** (on 13/11 afternoon): During the European Cross-Border Platform event, one pilot action of each lot will present the Resilience outcome on Cross-border Spatial planning and Crisis management on behalf of the initiative and discuss with the other panelists of the ECBP "Resilient Borders" session.

DETAILED PROGRAMMES OF BOTH LINKED EVENTS

- **Cross-Border School on 12/11/2025**
Organizer: AEBR
Programme: [Draft program](#)
- **European Cross-Border Platform - Annual meeting 2025 on 13-14/11/2025**
Organizer: European Committee of the Regions in link with AEBR
Programme: cor.europa.eu/en/plenaries-events/european-cross-border-platform-annual-meeting-2025

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

- **When:** November 12th – 13th, 2025 (and 14/11 for those participating in the ECBP annual meeting)
- **Where:**
Day 1: "Università degli Studi di Trieste - Sede di Gorizia", Via Bartolomeo D'Alviano 18, Gorizia, Italy
Day 2: "[Palazzo della Regione - Auditorium della Cultura Friulana](#)", Via Roma 23, 34170 Gorizia, Italy
- **Hotel:** organised by us for 1 person of each pilot action (for 3 nights: 11/11, 12/11, 13/11)
- **Transport:** please organise your travel arrangement yourself
More information (including logistics): <https://www.aebr.eu/aebr-genass-and-ecbp-anevent-2025/> - [AEBR General Assembly 2025 & European Cross-Border Platform Annual Meeting - AEBR](#)

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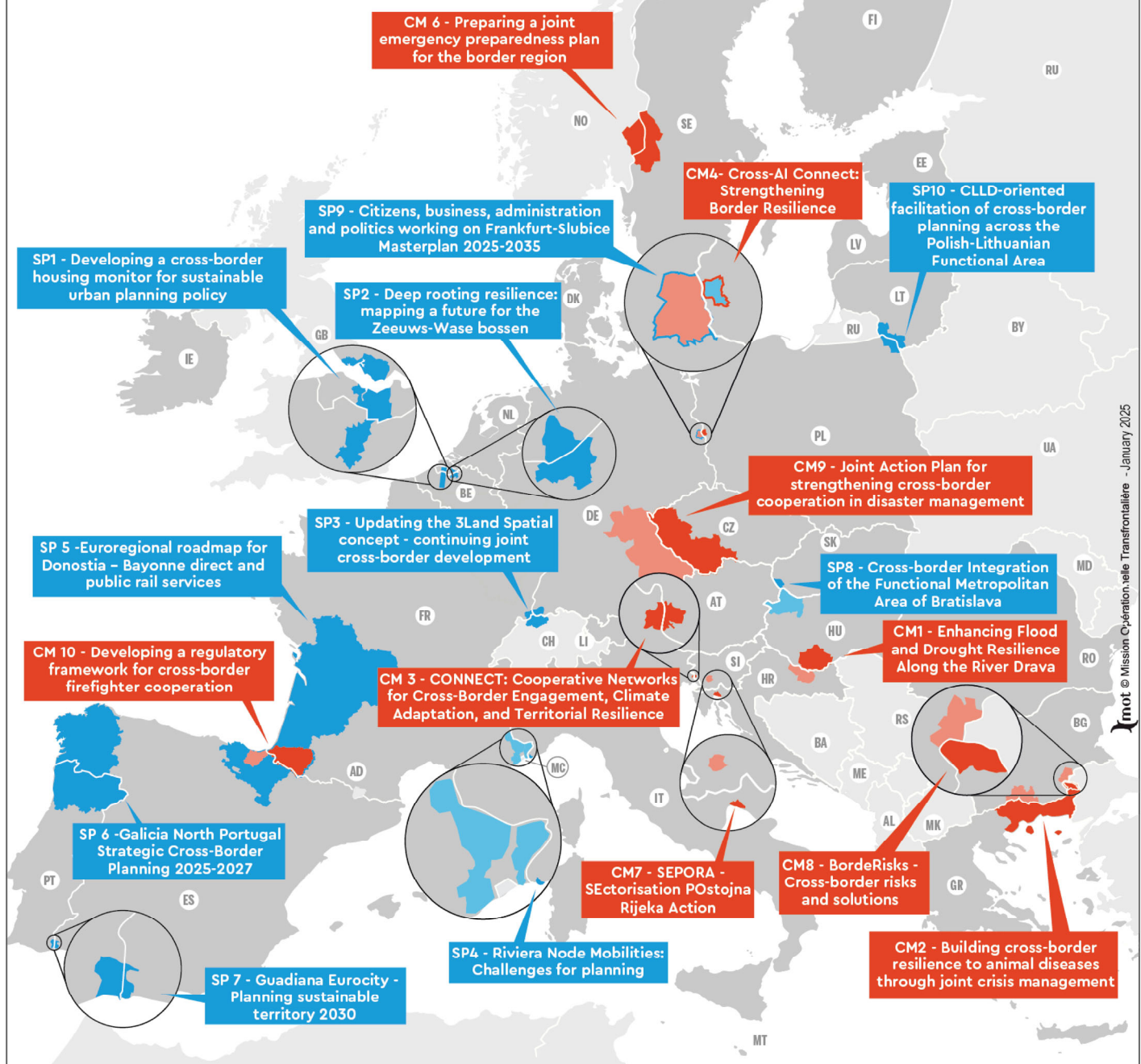
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Recipient organisations

- CM1** - HU/HR - Local government of Baranya county in partnership with Virovitica-Podravina county
- CM2** - EL/BG - Region of Eastern Macedonia & Thrace in partnership with Regional administration of Smolyan
- CM3** - IT/SI - EGTC GO
- CM4** - PL/DE - City of Stubice in partnership with City of Frankfurt (Oder)
- CM6** - NO/SE - Border region ARKO
- CM7** - HR/SI - City of Rijeka in partnership with Municipality of Postojna
- CM8** - EL/BG - Municipality of Orestiada in partnership with Svilengrad Municipality
- CM9** - CZ/DE - Ministry of the Interior - Directorate General of the Fire Rescue Service of the Czech Republic in partnership with Bavarian State Ministry of the Interior, for Sport and Integration
- CM10** - FR/ES - Pyrénées-Atlantiques Departmental Fire and Rescue Service (SDIS64) in partnership with Provincial Council of Gipuzkoa



Selected pilot actions
CRISIS MANAGEMENT
SPATIAL PLANNING



■ Main recipient organisation
■ Partner organisation

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Recipient organisations

- SP1** - BE/NL - North Sea Port District BGTC
- SP2** - BE/NL - EGTC Linieland van Waas en Hulst
- SP3** - FR/DE/CH - Trinational Eurodistrict Basel
- SP4** - FR/IT - Ventimiglia Municipality in partnership with Nice Côte d'Azur Metropolis and Community of Agglomeration of the French Riviera (CARF)
- SP5** - FR/ES - EGTC Euroregion Nouvelle-Aquitaine Euskadi Navarre
- SP6** - PT/ES - Galicia Norte Portugal EGTC
- SP7** - PT/ES - EGTC Eurociudad Del Guadiana
- SP8** - HU/SK - Bratislava Municipality in partnership with General Assembly of the Local Government of Győr-Ménfőcsanak-Sopron County
- SP9** - DE/PL - City of Frankfurt (Oder) in partnership with Municipality of Slubice
- SP10** - LT/PL - Polish-Lithuanian Cross-Border Functional Area EGTC

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