

Optimising Cross-border Cooperation

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25 years Interreg....





Time for celebration...

Celebrate Interreg







...and time for renewed ambition as border obstacles persist





Cross Border Review

- Aim: combine successful Interreg programmes with additional strategic actions to tackle persistent border obstacles
- Actions:
 - 21/09 21/12 3 months on-line public consultation launched by Commissioner Creţu in Vienna-Bratislava on 21/09 echoed by REGIO senior management on other EU borders 23/09 to 09/10
 - 21 months study on obstacles at EU internal land borders (started July 2015)
 - Series of workshops/events with key stakeholders (started Sept 2015)
 - Issue paper expected end 2016, with actions due before the end of Commission mandate



1st the on-line public consultation

Open 21/09 until 21/12/2015

25 years of **Interreg** cooperation

...but some **obstacles** persist in border regions

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"Overcoming Obstacles in Border Regions"

Open 21 Sept - 21 Dec @ https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/ overcoming-obstacles-border-regions





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