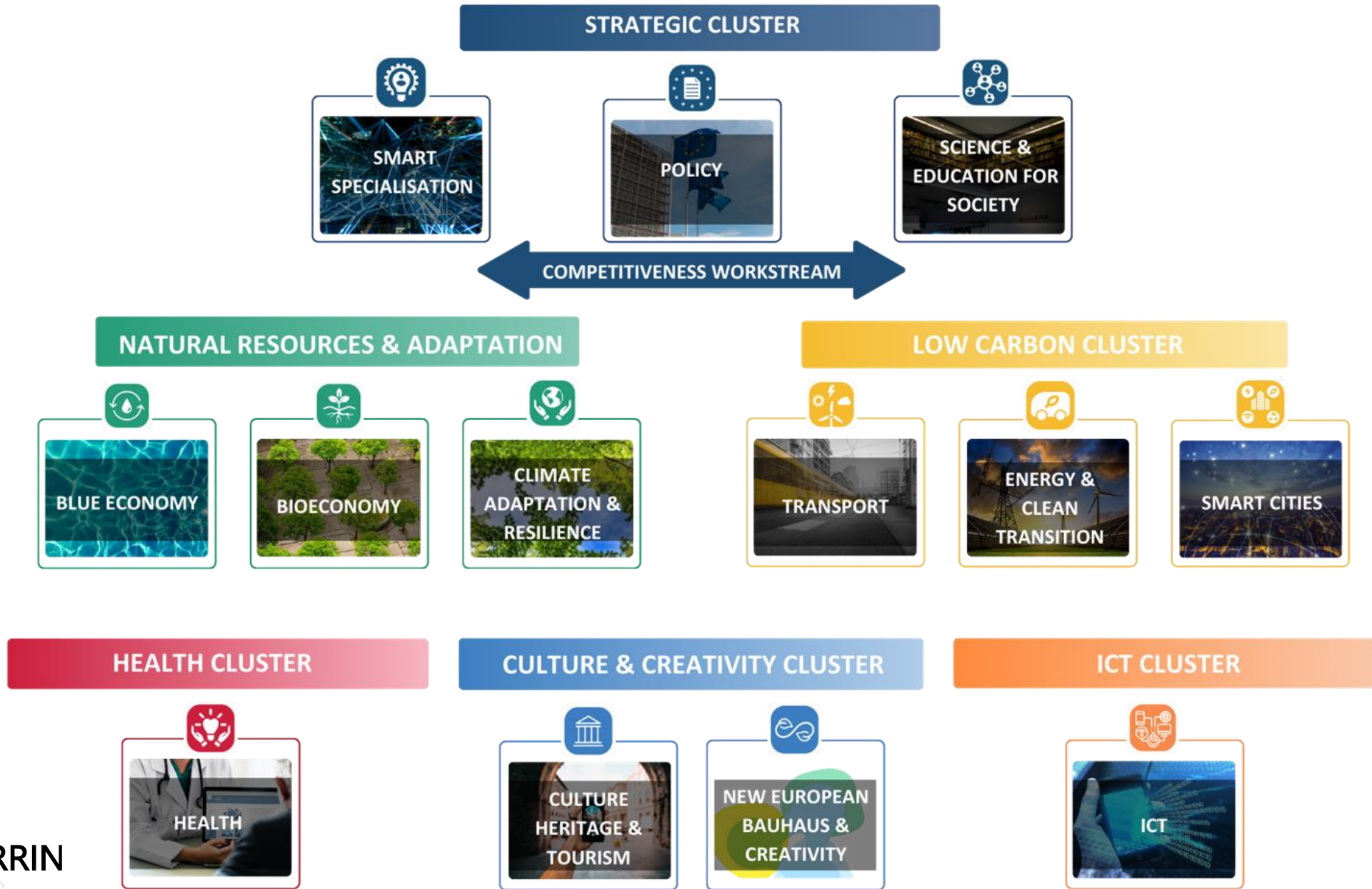


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SMART SPECIALISATION

Co-leaders:

- Region of Tuscany (IT)
- Wielkopolska Region (PL)
- West Finland European Office (FI)
- North-East Regional Development Agency (RO)
- Bretagne (FR)



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SCIENCE AND EDUCATION FOR SOCIETY

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- Welsh Higher Education Brussels (UK)
- Brainport Eindhoven EU Office (NL)
- Slovenian Business and Research Association (SL)



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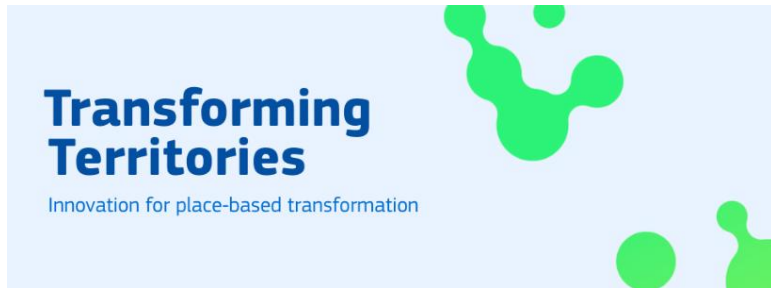
- Representation of the Free State of Saxony to the European Union (DE)
 - Delegation of the Basque Country to the EU (ES)
 - Normandy Region (FR)
 - Emilia Romagna Region - ART-ER (IT)
 - Scotland Europa (UK)
- Competitiveness workstream:**
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Innovation for place-based transformation

Key workstreams:

- MFF post-2027: Horizon Europe (FP10), European Competitiveness Fund (ECF), National and Regional Partnership Plans (NRPPs) including the future of Smart Specialisation
- ERA Policy Agenda 2025-2027 and ERA Act, Innovation Act (Competitiveness Compass)
- Exploring resilience, preparedness and security
- Union of Skills, next Erasmus programme

STRATEGIC CLUSTER – FURTHER ACTIVITIES IN 2026

-  ERRIN's role in resilience, security and defence – 24 February
-  Update on ERA Policy Agenda 2025-2027, ERA Act and link with Horizon Europe – 17 March
-  Skills for Competitiveness: how to address skills shortages in Europe's regions? – 23 March
-  Future of S3 post-2027 – 14 April (TBC)
-  First insights from Innovation for Place-based Transformation EU Preparatory Action – April (TBC)
-  In view of the next MFF: online Skills Talks at ERRIN series – April and May
-  I3 Instrument – experiences so far and reflections on the future (including 2026 calls) – 19 May

-  European Competitiveness Fund: Link with the European Innovation Act and widening perspective – 20 May
-  Skills in the next Erasmus programme and MFF – 3 June
-  Internal meeting on the state of play of Horizon Europe and European Competitiveness Fund – 16 June
-  Irish Presidency of the Council and MFF post-2027 state of play: Discussing the budget 2028-2034 – September
-  Future of S3 and innovation dimension of cohesion policy post-2027 – September
-  Regional Innovation Valleys – projects follow-up – October
-  Follow-up meeting on the Union of Skills: where are we now? – Q4
-   Synergies between NRPPs and ECF and HE – November



NATURAL RESOURCES & ADAPTATION CLUSTER



ADAPTATION & RESILIENCE

Co-leaders:

- Turku-Southwest Finland European Office (FI)
- Oslo Region European Office (NO)
- Free Hanseatic City of Bremen (DE)
- Normandy Region (FR)



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BLUE ECONOMY

Co-leaders:

- Turku-Southwest Finland European Office (FI)
- Emilia Romagna Region - ART-ER (IT)
- South Denmark European Office (DK)
- Småland Blekinge Halland South Sweden (SE)
- Region Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur (FR)



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BIOECONOMY

Co-leaders:

- Oslo Region European Office (NO)
- Cities Northern Netherlands EU Office
- Grand Est-Europe (FR)
- Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen – South Tyrol (IT)



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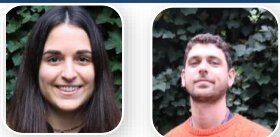
Key workstreams:

- EU Bioeconomy Strategy
- Circular Economy Act
- EU Missions (Soil, Climate Adaptation, Ocean and Waters)
- Project development sessions (Cluster 6 and EU Missions)
- Ocean Act & Water resilience strategy
- European Climate resilience framework

NATURAL RESOURCES & ADAPTATION CLUSTER

-    2026 Kick-off meeting Natural Resources and Food cluster – 26 January
-  Open Public Consultation for the new European climate resilience framework – by 23 February
-  Taskforce to support the design of the Mission Ocean and Waters Label (CO-WATERS project) – 17 February (1st meeting)
-  Policy Recommendations from the Circular Cities and Regions Initiative to the Circular Economy Act - 12 February
-    Project Development session – 27 February
-  Launch of the Coalition of Cities, Regions, Islands and Ports for the MOW + Blue ERRIN networking event – 4 March

-  EU Bioeconomy Strategy – 16 April (TBC)
-  Innovative solutions for Climate Adaptation – April
-  Ocean Act: Regional priorities in focus – September
-  ERRIN Circular Economy Event: Circular Economy Act and regional perspectives – October
-    Study Visit (TBC)
-  Mission Soil: Lessons learned and upcoming opportunities – November
-  Implementing the EU Mission on Adaptation to Climate Change - Regional Experiences and Next Steps - November



LOW CARBON CLUSTER



ENERGY & CLEAN TRANSITION

Co-leaders:

- Region Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes (FR)
- Brainport Eindhoven EU Office (NL)
- Province of Flevoland (NL)
- West Finland European Office (FI)
- North-East Regional Development Agency (RO)
- Trøndelag European Office (NO)



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TRANSPORT

Co-leaders:

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- Ile-de-France Europe (FR)
- Government of Catalonia (ES)
- Stuttgart Region EU Office (DE)



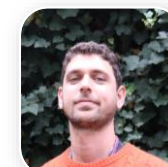
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SMART CITIES

Co-leaders:

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- Stavanger Region European Office (NO)
- North-East Regional Development Agency (RO)
- Turku-Southwest Finland European Office (FI)
- South Denmark European Office (DK)



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NET ZERO CITIES

CAPACITIES

Advancing national support
for climate neutral cities

Key workstreams:

- MFF: ECF and Horizon
- EU Cities Mission: 100 climate-neutral and smart cities by 2030
- EU Agenda for Cities
- Digital services for cities
- Sustainable and Affordable Housing
- Competitiveness, Net-Zero Industry Act and Net-Zero Acceleration Valleys
- Energy Grids
- Hydrogen Valleys
- Preparedness of infrastructure and dual use
- AI in transport
- European Partnerships in transport

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-  EU Agenda for Cities in practice: next steps and funding opportunities for innovative action – 18 February
-  Lessons learned: Clean Hydrogen Partnership call 2025 and Hydrogen Valleys Facility - March
-  Funding and policy frameworks for clean and resilient mobility - March
-  Energy grids – April
-  Sustainable and Affordable Housing – April-May
-  AI in Transport, implementing the European AI Strategy – April-May

-  European Partnerships in transport: strengthening the regional dimension – May-June
-  Update on the Cities Mission - June
-  Net-Zero Industry Act: implementation, competitiveness and regional opportunities - Q3 2026
-   Site visit on inspiring NEB solutions in Belgium – October/November
-  Digital services for cities - November
-   Preparedness of infrastructure and dual use - Q4 2026



CULTURE & CREATIVITY CLUSTER



CULTURE, HERITAGE & TOURISM

Co-leaders:

- Free Hanseatic City of Bremen (DE)
- North-East Regional Development Agency (RO)
- Trøndelag European Office (NO)
- Liguria Region (IT)



Lorna Murphy



NEB & CREATIVITY

Co-leaders:

- Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen – South Tyrol (IT)
- Stuttgart Region European Office (DE)
- Lombardia Region (IT)
- Région Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur (FR)
- Centre-Val de Loire Region (FR)
- Friuli Venezia Giulia Autonomous Region – Brussels Office (IT)



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PROSPERO



NEB Junction

**European Partnership for
Resilient Cultural Heritage**
(under GA negotiations)

Key workstreams:

- **EU culture policy & funding:** Position of culture in EU policies and the future MFF (FP10, EUAgora) and Project development (Cluster 2 and NEB)
- **New European Bauhaus (NEB):** Housing policy, inclusion and youth policies, and NEB Facility implementation
- **Culture, wellbeing & inclusion:** Culture and heritage in relation to mental health and wellbeing
- **Cultural innovation, skills for digital transition & resilience:** CCI and AI (challenges and opportunities); cultural heritage and data spaces; skills development and sectoral resilience
- **Sustainability & tourism:** Sustainable tourism, Tourism Transition Pathway, smart/digital tourism



CULTURE & CREATIVITY CLUSTER

  Culture & Creativity cluster kick-off meeting
– 10 February 2026



 NEB Junction Policy conversations
– 16 March 2026


  Project development session on CCI-related
calls – 25 March 2026

 Culture, arts and mental health
– 21 May 2026

  Strengthening NEB governance: the local
pathway towards the NEB chapter
– 9 June 2026

 EU Design Day – Housing as a game-changer
- 11 June 2026

  CCI and AI – Risk, opportunities, skills and
resilience – Sept 2026

 NEB and Youth policies
– Oct 2026

 Cultural Heritage and Earth Observation –
Nov 2026

  Site visit on inspiring NEB solutions –
Oct/Nov 2026

 Innovative approaches to sustainable
tourism – Dec 2026

HEALTH



Co-leaders:

- Greater Copenhagen EU Office (DK)
- Ile-de-France Europe (FR)
- Government of Navarre (ES)
- Region Västra Götaland (SE)
- Government of Catalonia (ES)



Kyle Galea

Key workstreams:

- Circularity and resilience
- BioTech Act and the Life Sciences Strategy
- Digitalisation of Healthcare, specifically the application of AI
- The Cancer Mission

HEALTH CLUSTER



Health WG Cluster 2026 Agenda Kickoff and BioTech Act I (30th January)



Next Generation of Healthcare: Resilience and Circularity (June 2026)



The Biotech Act II and Life Sciences Strategy: Bioindustry in the regions (October 2026)



AI in Healthcare (4 November 2026)

ICT CLUSTER



Co-leaders:

- Eindhoven (NL)
- Helsinki EU Office (FI)
- Hauts-de-France (FR)
- Thuringia (DE)
- Tampere Region (FI)



Kyle Galea

Key workstreams:

- The Quantum Act
- AI in Healthcare
- AI in Public Administration
- Key Digital Technologies in industry

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Upcoming Quantum Act and what it means for the Regions (24 March 2026)



AI and Public Administration (23 April 2026)



Digitalisation in industry: The future of Manufacturing in the Regions (23 September)



AI in Healthcare (4 November)