

Working Group Meeting

Platform for Coal Regions in Transition
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Energy



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Report from breakout sessions

14.30 - 15.15



Platform for Coal Regions in Transition

Update on the activities of Secretariat of the Platform 15.15 - 15.35



Secretariat of the Platform for Coal Regions in Transition





- Secretariat in place from the beginning of 2019
- Organisation of the Working Group meetings and support to the Political Dialogue organisation



- Development of transition-related materials and tools
- Technical Assistance support to Regions in transition
- Communication activities
- Contact point for members of the Platform





Platform's support materials

The Platform secretariat is developing guideline documents, reports and toolkits on the following key themes:

- Collection of **Good practice** case studies
- ✓ Guidelines on Transition Strategies and KPIs
- ✓ Governance of Transition toolkit
- ✓ Sustainable **employment and welfare support** toolkit
- ✓ Site rehabilitation and repurposing toolkit

- Guidance on **EU funds and programmes** (2020)
- ✓ Technology solutions for transition (2020)



Good practice cases

Providing key lessons and examples in key dimensions (e.g. strategy, finance) as well as holistically

Transforming the lignite-fired Matra power plant into part of a renewable energy cluster

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Information platform for post-industrial and degraded areas in Silesia (OPI-TPP)



Task force on Just Transition for Canadian coal power workers and communities

The Lewarde mining history centre



Wałbrzych special economic zone "INVEST-PARK", Poland



RESTART-Strategy for economic restructuring of Czech coal regions





European Commission



START: Secretariat Technical Assistance to Regions in Transition

Support to address two central aspects of transition

- **Economic Diversification**: reorientation towards sectors and activities with long-term sustainable growth potential
- Decarbonisation: promoting technological transition towards low carbon emission energy production and consumption



START: Secretariat Technical Assistance to Regions in Transition

Capacity building, knowledge sharing and advice on:

- Strategy development for regional economic diversification and transition
- Governance and planning for the formulation and implementation of transitions strategies
- **Project identification** and prioritisation of transition-related projects
- **Project development** support for design of projects and action plans for implementation



START:

Helping regions and communities take practical steps in their transition process

Resources and approach

- 7 regions to be supported
- Circa 50 to 120 days of support per region
- Complementary to other existing EC (and other) support efforts
- Co-creation approach, engaging closely with recipients of support

Process

- Launch of call for requests: 19 June 2019
- Close of call: 20 September 2019
- Notification: 7 October 2019
- Review of needs: 2019-Q4 to 2020-Q1
- Workplan formulation: 2020-Q1
- Delivery of phased support: 2020-Q2 to 2021-Q4



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Midlands

Asturias



Malopolska

Hunedoara County (Jiu Valley Partnership)

Peloponnese (Megalopolis)



Applicant		Focus
ES	Asturias	Energy transition and post-coal regional development strategy and project support
RO	Hunedoara County (Jiu Valley Partnership)	Project identification, consultation, selection and support
CZ	Karlovy Vary (Sokolov district)	Regional strategy revision and project identification and consultation
PL	Malopolska	Regional action plan (climate and energy) and project support and consultation
EL	Peloponnese (Megalopolis)	Road map for transition, assessment of options and consultation
IE	Midlands	Holistic plan for transition, project identification and consultation
PL	Silesia	Rehabilitation and repurposing of post-industrial area



Updates on communication activities

What we have been working on

Online

- Revamp of the EC website
- Online resources
- Newsletter
- Social media

Video interviews

Platform's YouTube playlist

What is coming up

Webinars

- Guidelines: Transition strategies and KPIs Feb
 2020 (tentative)
- Toolkit on local governance of transition Mar
 2020 (tentative)
- Toolkit on sustainable employment and welfare support – May 2020 (tentative)

Promotional video - Nov 2020

Press work



Platform for Coal and Carbon-Intensive **Regions in Transition**

See you in Görlitz! Annual Political Dialogue 25-26 November 2019

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Conclusions and recommendations

15.35 - 16.00





Thank you for your attendance!

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