



# Importance of European Territorial Cooperation

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## ***HISTORY OF CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION BETWEEN AUSTRIA/SLOVENIA (COMMUNITY FUNDING)***

<b>1995—1999</b>	<b>INTERREG / PHARE CBC</b>	<b>23,00 MEUR</b>
<b>2000—2006</b>	<b>INTERREG / PHARE CBC</b> No joint implementation structure	<b>43,44 MEUR</b>
<b>2007—2013</b>	<b>OBJECTIVE 3</b> Joint implementation structure Financial lead partner principle	<b>67,11 MEUR</b>

## **ERDF FUNDING (in EUR)**

	<b>2000-2006</b>	<b>2007-2013</b>
<b>Cross-border co-operation programmes</b>	€ 4 bn (69%)	€ 6.4 bn (74%)
<b>Transnational co-operation programmes</b>	€ 1.4 bn (24%)	€ 1.8 bn (21%)
<b>Interregional co-operation and network programmes</b>	€ 370 mio (6%)	€ 445 mio (5%)
<b>Total</b>	€ 5.75 bn(100%)	€ 8.7 bn (100%)

## ***OBJECTIVE 3 – 2007-2013***

- ✓ European territorial co-operation becomes an objective in its own right
- ✓ Slovenia will take part in 13 programmes of territorial co-operation and Austria in 14 programmes
- ✓ Programme implementation system is simplified
- ✓ Financial lead partner system is a must

## ***LEAD PARTNER PRINCIPLE***

### ***IMPACTS ON PROGRAMME LEVEL***

- ✓ There is only one ERDF allocation on programme level, ERDF cofinancing is 85 % of public funding for all
- ✓ National co-financing remains separate
- ✓ There will be only (genuine) joint projects
- ✓ Simplified programme implementation structure
- ✓ First level control
  - Remains in the domain of each Member State
- ✓ Second level control
  - Audit Authority establishes a Group of Auditors

## ***PARTICIPATION OF SLOVENIA***

### **Cross-border cooperation**

OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME	ERDF
Slovenia – Austria	67 mio EUR
Italy – Slovenia	116 mio EUR
Slovenia – Hungary	29 mio EUR
Slovenia – Croatia	42 mio EUR
Adriatic Initiative	240 mio EUR

### **Transnational cooperation**

OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME	ERDF
Alpine Space II	130 mio EUR
Central Europe	250 mio EUR
South-Eastern Europe	210 mio EUR
The Mediterranean	300 mio EUR

### **Interregional cooperation**

OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME	ERDF
INTERREG IVC	321 mio EUR
INTERACT II	34 mio EUR
ESPO	45 mio EUR
URBACT	68 mio EUR

# ***PARTICIPATION OF AUSTRIA***

## **Cross-border cooperation**

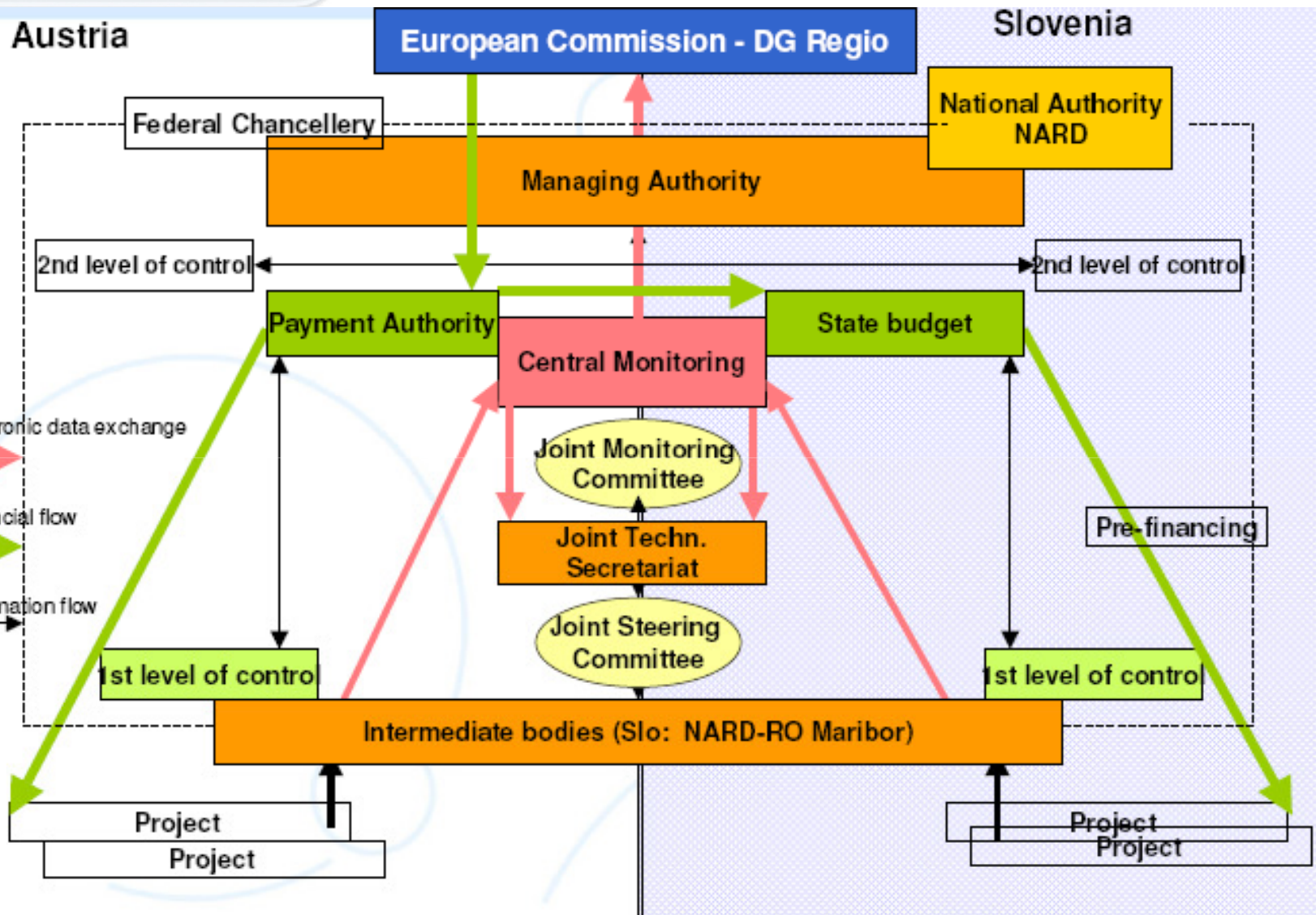
OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME	ERDF
Slovenia – Austria	67 mio EUR
Austria – Hungary	82 mio EUR
Austria – Slovakia	60 mio EUR
Austria – Czech Republic	107 mio EUR
Bayern – Austria	54 mio EUR
Alpenrhein – Bodensee – Hochrhein	24 mio EUR
Italy – Austria	60 mio EUR

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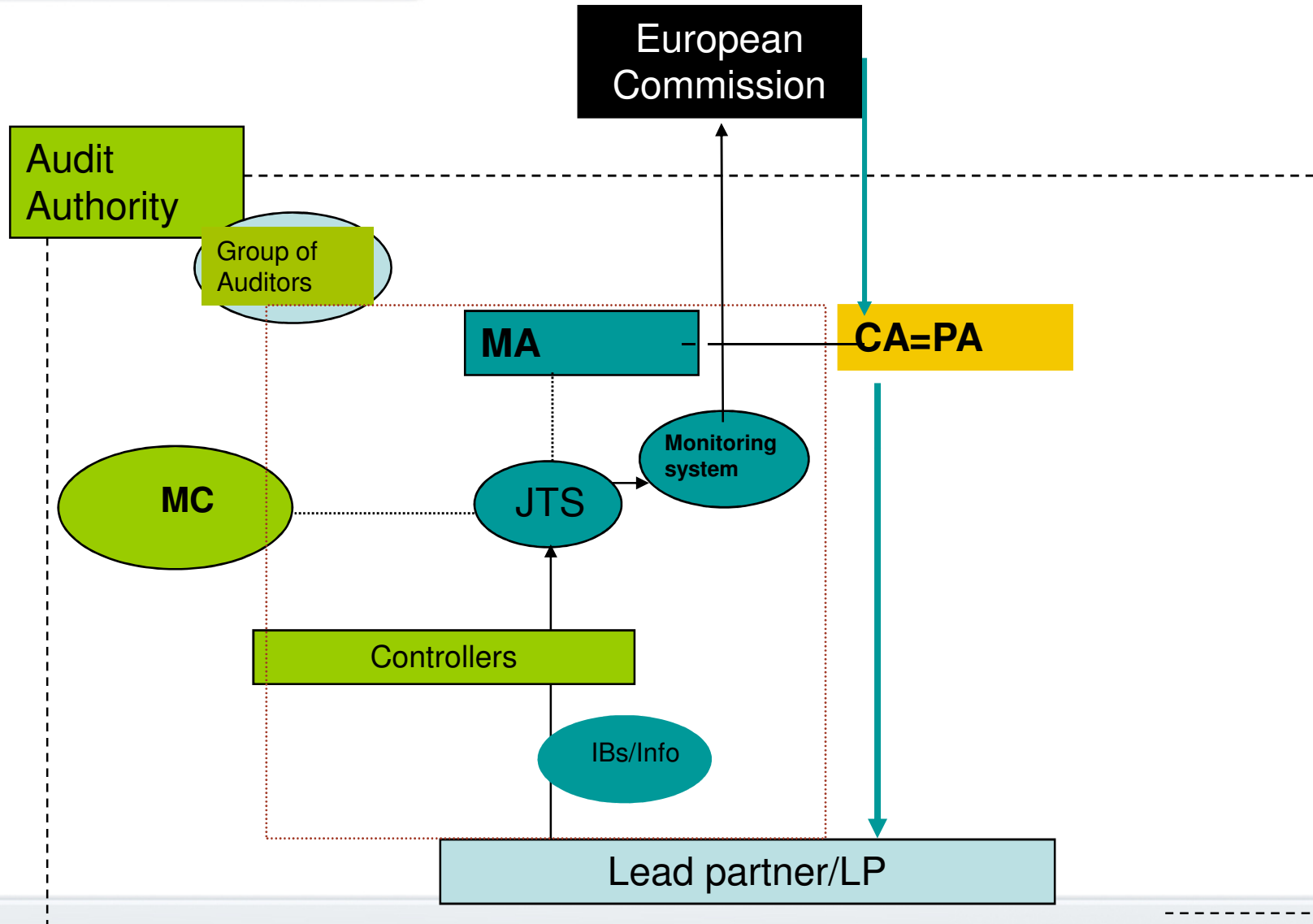
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# ***CRITERIA FOR CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION***

## **LPP – Joint Projects**

**Joint  
Development**

**Joint  
Staffing**

**Joint  
Financing**

**Joint  
Implementation**

- **Joint development:** All partners should be involved from an early stage and jointly agree on who will be the LP. LP is the coordinator.
- **Joint implementation:** All partners should contribute to the project objectives. Clear links between activities and regular contacts are necessary.
- **Joint financing:** The project budget is one pot of money. Balanced allocation among partners according to activities. One project account.
- **Joint staffing:** No duplication of functions, e.g. one project management

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