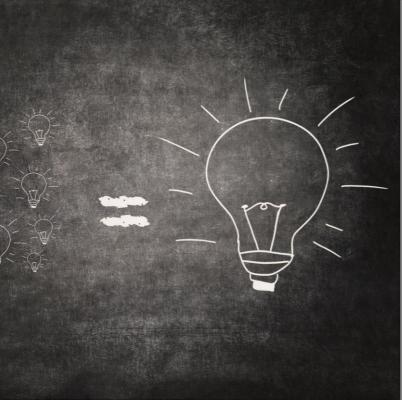
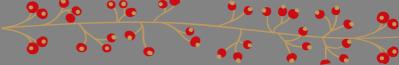


### We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Watch our Christmas greetings here







**Update on Calls** 

### NEW PROJECTS TO BE APPROVED IN JANUARY

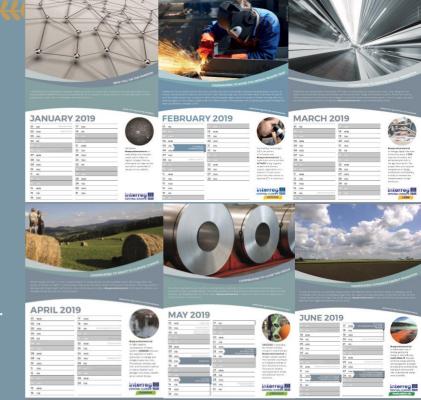
Our programme countries are going to meet in Vienna on 15 and 16 January to choose new projects to be funded following the third call for proposals. They will also discuss key features of a new, more experimental call, which is expected to open in spring 2019.

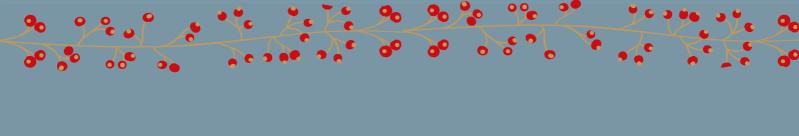
#### Calendar

#### **What's on in 2019?**

Our new wall calendar will keep you organised in 2019. We have highlighted key EU events that are relevant for everyone working on transnational cooperation.

The calendar also introduces you to 10 challenges that affect central Europe, including examples of transnational projects that help to overcome them.





# Why is cooperation central at the heart of Europe?



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#### Even better than the real thing

Dippoldiswalde in Germany has a unique network of medieval mines. However, until now it was impossible for the public to visit them.

Our VirtualArch project digitalises hidden historic structures in 3D multimedia images. Now tourists can finally see the valuable heritage of the region.

But why is cooperation central for this?

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### Managing green spaces together with the locals

Hegyvidék is said to be the green lung of Budapest. Maintaining its forests and parks is a huge challenge for the district in times of scarce financial resources.

Our UGB project has developed new approaches to manage urban green spaces more efficiently. Smart cooperation between inhabitants and public authorities is central to their ideas. But why?





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## Rolling out modern e-mobility

Back in 2012, our TROLLEY project brought the first trolley-battery-hybrid-bus to the German town of Eberswalde. Six years later, the trolleybus network will be further extended - with no new infrastructure needed.

How was this done and why was cooperation central for this breakthrough?

Find out here

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#### **Cutting public energy bills**

Many industrial processes generate heat as a byproduct. This heat is often wasted as technology for transferring it does not come cheap.

New methods developed by our project CE-HEAT have been applied in Fala (Slovenia). The project has helped to turn waste heat into electricity and cut energy bills of a nearby museum by 60 percent.

Curious to learn how?







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#### **Procuring the future**

Public procurement for innovation (PPI) is anything but boring. Applied in the right way, it helps regions to solve procurement challenges more creatively. Lublin in Poland is using it to increase their energy efficiency. But knowledge about PPI is still very limited across central European regions.

Could new tools of our PPI2Innovate project help?

Find out here



Our office will be closed from 24 December to 1 January

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