

# A Greener North-West Europe

*NWE thematic networking event #1 - online*

## AGENDA

Webinar moderated by Perrine Cordero

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| 9.30-10.00  | CHECK-IN TO VIRTUAL MEETING ROOM AND TECHNICAL SETTINGS   |
| 10.00-10.30 | <p><b>PLENARY SESSION</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Opening by <b>Niklas Nienass</b>, Member of the European Parliament</li> <li>Panel discussion – “From one programme to the next: achievements and perspectives” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Mathieu Mori</b>, Programme Director, Interreg North-West Europe</li> <li><b>Liezelotte Deschryvere</b>, Enterprise Flanders, Division Europe Economy; Representing Belgium, Chair of the North-West Europe Programme</li> <li><b>Anne Wetzel</b>, Director of the Europe department for the Region Hauts-de-France, Managing Authority of the NWE Programme</li> </ul> </li> </ol>  |
| 10.30-11.55 | <p><b>THEMATIC BREAKOUT SESSIONS</b></p> <p>Breakout sessions will showcase project results and give participants an opportunity to meet and network.</p> <p>Participants are asked to register to one of the following sessions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Citizen-driven energy transition</b><br/><i>Empowering the development of local communities where citizens play a major role, not only as consumers but also as part of wider groups in which they can advocate sustainable actions.</i></li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Irma Botic, Interreg NWE Joint Secretariat<br/>Project speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tom Schaecken, <b>ECCO</b>, Innovatiesteunpunt</li> </ul> |

- Edelle Doherty, **ENERGE**, National University of Ireland

Programme speakers:

- Gerry Bradley, Contact Point for the UK
- Julia Eripret, Joint Secretariat
- Gé Huismans, Contact Point for the Netherlands

- **Green construction**

*NWE projects strengthen the circular economy in the building sector, reducing the demand for primary raw materials. They find joint solutions to ensure upcycling and develop new sustainable materials.*

Moderator: Peter Campobasso, Interreg NWE Joint Secretariat

Project speakers:

- Léa Bottani-Dechaud, Michaël Ghyoot, **FCRBE**, Rotor
- Harald van Hooren, **Digital Deconstruction**, Province of Limburg

Programme speaker:

- Kerstin Buttlar, Contact Point for Germany

- **Green hydrogen highway**

*How EU funding has helped kickstart H2 projects and the role of European funds in the future of green hydrogen in public and private sectors.*

Moderator: Rebecca Grossberg, Interreg NWE Joint Secretariat

Project speakers:

- **H2SHIPS**, Hynamics
- Louise Napier/Amy Perry, **HECTOR & FCCP / HyTrEc2** project (Interreg North-Sea Region), Aberdeen County Council

Programme speakers:

- Elisabeth Wauschkuhn, Contact Point for Germany
- Olivier Rohas, Joint Secretariat

- **Resource recovery**

*Resource recovery is focused on the identification, recovery and re-use of materials that are not normally considered a resource. The aim is to build a more resource-efficient and sustainable Europe.*

Moderator: Inge Keymeulen, Interreg NWE Joint Secretariat

Project speakers:

- Deborah Andrews, **CEDaCI**, London South Bank University
- Tim Scholze (tbc), **RE-DIRECT** & **THREE C**, blended learning institutions' cooperative, blinc eG

Programme speakers:

- Matthew Thompson, Joint Secretariat
- Nicole Skirde-Vural, Contact Point for Luxembourg

- **Smart energy systems**

*To achieve climate neutrality by 2050, energy carriers, infrastructures, and consumption sectors will need to be integrated in a connected and flexible energy system that is more sustainable and cost-efficient for society.*

Moderator: Sarah Davoren, Contact Point for Ireland, Interreg NWE

Project speakers:

- Giuseppe Colantuono, **RED WoLF**, Leeds Beckett University
- Declan McCormac, **HeatNet NWE**, Codema - Dublin's Energy Agency

Programme speakers:

- Eva Clymans, Joint Secretariat
- Anke Möllers, Joint Secretariat

Each session will be divided up into two parts:

1. Presentations by Joint Secretariat staff and Contact Points on what the programme has achieved up to now – including project examples –, and what is coming up in the future programme.– **45'**
2. Open networking sessions – **40' (2 rounds of 20')**  
 Participants will have the possibility to host virtual round tables to either:
  - Present their project results
  - Exchange on needs and challenges
  - Look for synergies
  - Discuss a project idea for the future programme.

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|                    | <i><b>If you wish to host a virtual round table:</b> please briefly describe the topic of your presentation in the registration form. Organisers will contact you after 10 May to let you know if your proposal was selected or not.</i> |
| <b>11.55-12.00</b> | <b>CLOSING</b>   |