Update on the Cross-Border Review

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# Main Deliverables

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# Inventory: now on-line

Some key observations

- The more interaction, the more the obstacles are visible
- Very patchy information – depends on awareness and existing efforts to address obstacles
- How do we assess impact?
- Differences in national legislation is most common root cause - However, local manifestation is place-based (territoriality matters)

TRUST is at the heart of the matter...
Hinting at solutions

- Only effective multi-level government actions can help
- **Toolbox**
  - i. More alignment – more flexibility ("agreements")
  - ii. Better info provision (between authorities & to citizens)
  - iii. Multi-lingual education
  - iv. Promotion of good practices: Benelux, Nordic Council, EGTCs, etc
  - v. e-Solutions
  - vi. Preventive measures (TIA, ex-ante coordination)
  - vii. Role of Interreg – scope and governance
  - viii. Innovative ideas?
Next step: Communication of the Commission

1. Communication adoption foreseen in June 2017
2. Launch event
3. Follow-up actions: pilot solutions (tbc), TIA (Better Regulation), database/platform