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A strategy for strengthening governance structures for Hydrogen development

Our INTERREG project aims to enhance network structures for the governance of hydrogen developments. These network-based governance structures are particularly important in the emerging hydrogen sector. The strategy focuses on enabling regional authorities to take a stronger orchestration role in hydrogen development through stakeholder engagement and institutional capacity-building.

To achieve this, we accelerate three pilot initiatives under the EHRIN framework—regional development conferences that serve as experimental platforms for collaborative governance. These pilots convene diverse regional stakeholders, fostering dialogue, shared learning and joint action. By capturing and synthesizing the practices, tools, and insights from these pilots, in a Take-off guide, we aim to develop transferable practises that regional authorities can adopt to coordinate complex hydrogen initiatives more effectively.

The agenda of the regional development conference is designed as a structured intervention to operationalize the project's strategic goals. Each agenda element—stakeholder dialogues, thematic working sessions, and capacity-building workshops—corresponds to a core pillar of the strategy: fostering structured learning, enabling multi-actor engagement, and strengthening institutional capacity. By aligning conference activities with these strategic enablers, the agenda ensures that each event contributes to building the durable, trust-based network structures required for effective hydrogen governance.

As part of the strategy, the regional development conferences are evaluated by means of a Post Implementation Review. The goal of the post-implementation review is to evaluate the effectiveness, outcomes, and strategic alignment of the development conference. It serves to assess whether the conference successfully contributed to the overarching objectives of the EHRIN project—particularly in enhancing stakeholder collaboration, advancing regional hydrogen governance structures, and building institutional capacity. The review aims to extract actionable insights, identify best practices and lessons learned, and ensure that these are fed back into the project to inform future activities and strengthen pilot outcomes.



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Deltaplan Agenda

Date: Monday, October 7, 2024

Time: 16:00 – 20:15

Location: Schouwburg Ogterop, Meppel

Regional Resilience in a Changing Climate

16:00 – 16:30 | Welcome and Opening Remarks

Main Hall

- Welcome by the Mayor of Meppel
 - Keynote: “The Urgency of Climate-Resilient Regions”
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16:30 – 17:15 | Plenary Talk

Main Hall

“Designing for Scarcity: Integrating Climate, Mobility and Space”

- Discussion with regional leaders
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17:30 – 18:30 | Parallel Workshops

1. Workshop 1: Cross-Border Railway Connections (EHRIN)

Room A

- Focus on sustainable hydrogen trains and infrastructure across Dutch-German borders
- Case studies and regional collaboration

2. Workshop 2: Climate Adaptation at a Local Scale

Room B

- Nature-based solutions, water buffering, and community resilience



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- Best practices from Drenthe and Overijssel

3. Workshop 3: Spatial Planning Under Pressure

Room C

- Tackling the tension between housing, agriculture, energy, and nature
- Smart zoning tools and future scenarios

4. Workshop 4: Regional Strength through Cooperation

Room D

- How municipalities can align strategies for greater impact
- Examples of joint climate investments and shared governance

18:30 – 19:00 | Break and Networking Drinks

Foyer

19:00 – 19:15 | Reflections and Closing Panel

- Summary of workshop insights

19:15 – 20:15 | Networking Buffet Dinner

Grand Café – Schouwburg Ogterop

- regional cuisine