

# Coal Regions in Transition Initiative

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# Bringing the benefits of a ‘just transition’ to the regional and local level



With the **Clean Energy for all Europeans Package**, the Commission commits to ensuring a clean, fair and inclusive energy transition.

## 3 key initiatives

Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy

Clean Energy for EU Islands

Coal Regions in Transition



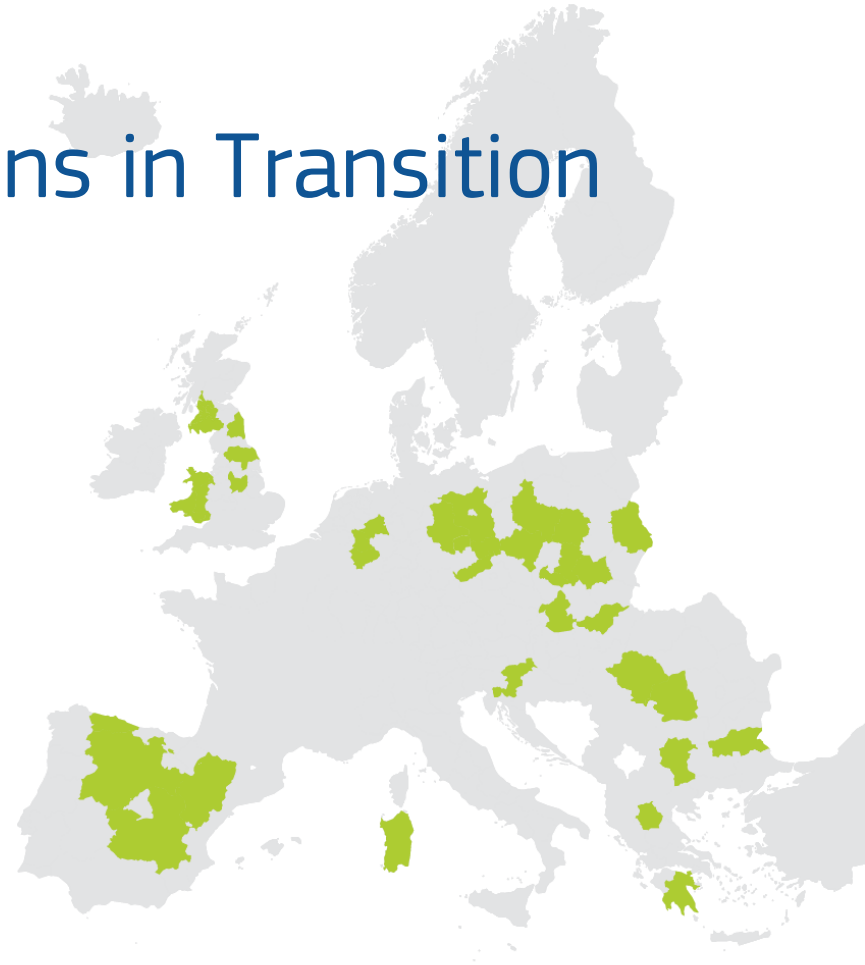
# Initiative for Coal Regions in Transition

Launched in December 2017

**Covers 41 regions in 12 EU Member States**

Around 200,000 jobs at risk in the coal industry, while the job creation potential of the clean energy transition is estimated at 1 mio jobs in the EU

**Commission objective: “no region, no citizen left behind”**



# Pillars of the initiative

## Platform

Multi-stakeholder  
forum  
3-4 events / year

**Knowledge  
sharing and  
community  
building**



## Country teams (9)

Bilateral  
cooperation (EC-  
MS)

**Delivery of EU  
assistance on  
strategy and  
projects**

# Concrete achievements

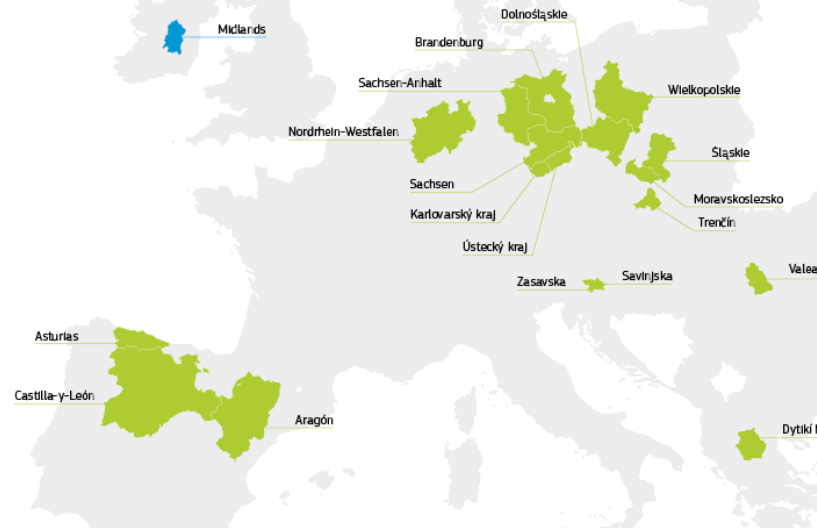
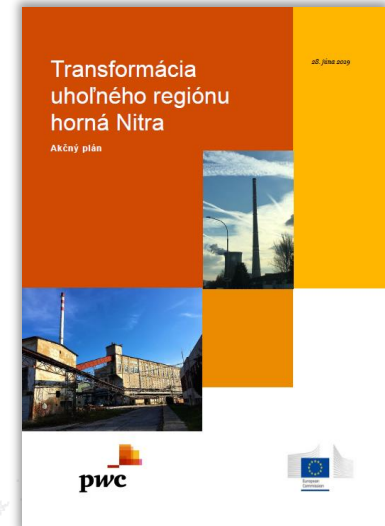
**Strong sense of community**, constructive dialogue on ‘just transition’

**Inter-regional cooperation**

**Transition strategies** developed or under development

**Projects** financed through reprogramming of ERDF funds

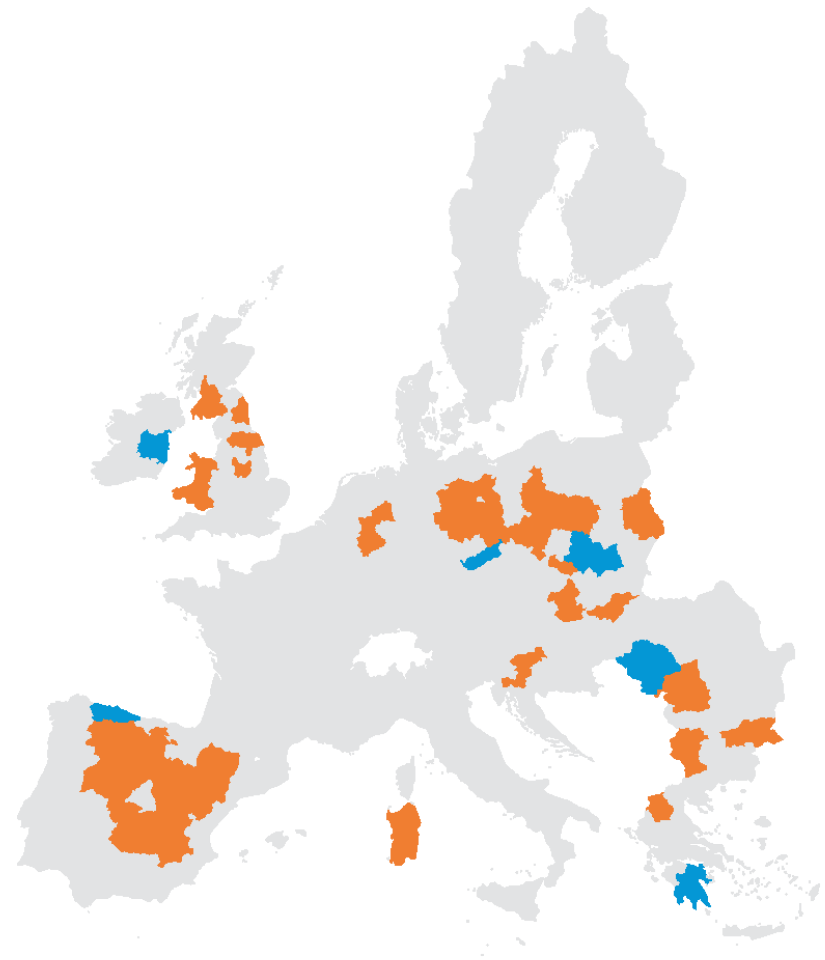
Improved **governance of transition**



# Secretariat

Established 1 February 2019

- Assists the EC in the operation of the Platform
- Develops **guidance materials** on transition-related issues
- Performs targeted **capacity building** and **technical assistance** to pilot regions (7)
- Set up a **knowledge hub** on transition-related issues



# Next steps

## Coal... and carbon-intensive regions in transition

Opening the initiative to other **solid fossil fuel producing regions** (peat, oil shale)  
Taking into account the **carbon-intensive value chains** in coal regions

## European Green Deal

World-leading climate ambitions with **renewed commitment to just transition**

## New MFF (2021-2027)

New **financing tools**, incl. Cohesion Funds, LIFE, Horizon Europe, Innovation and Modernisation Funds, European Globalisation Adjustment Fund, Just Transition Fund, etc.



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Thank you for your attention

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