

The logo for HELIUM Interreg Europe features the word "HELIIUM" in a large, bold, black sans-serif font. Below it, "Interreg Europe" is written in a smaller, blue sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a stylized graphic element consisting of two overlapping yellow and orange shapes that resemble a folded ribbon or a modern letter 'A'.

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Where do we stand?

The past six months saw a busy schedule for the HELIUM partnership with a series of interregional activities which was kicked-off by the 6th interregional event taking place in Budapest, Hungary back in November of 2017. This trip also marked the last of the interregional seminars which had their focus on gaining a deeper understanding of the innovation ecosystems and how the HELIUM regions support innovation in the healthcare system through the presentation of identified Good Practices. The consortium then got the opportunity to dive deeper into Good Practices which were found relevant for the partners' regions through the Staff Exchanges, to really uncover the finer details of what implementation of (parts of) a Good Practice at home would require in terms of regulation, financial resources, human resources and other. The Staff Exchanges were organized in Liverpool, Porto and a combined Staff Exchange was organized in Flanders and the South Netherlands. Partners were able to bring key stakeholders who would be able to capitalize on these focused trips, bringing their knowledge and insight to the table. Currently and over the next months, all partners are hard at work to finish the

Regional Action Plans which will be delivered following the summer period and the implementation of these Regional Action Plans will subsequently be monitored to follow-up on policy changes that may arise through the HELIUM project.

Save the date

On the 25th of October the (open) HELIUM event - Enhancing Regional Health Innovation Policies through the Living Lab concept, will take place in Eindhoven. This event will bring all InterReg Europe projects together with an interest in improved policy for health innovation and/or the living lab concept.

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Innovation in Child Emergency and Traumatology Care

Dr. Bognár and Dr. Kassai paid a visit to the Alder Hey Children's Hospital in Liverpool during the staff exchange in Liverpool, and were inspired by the R+D+I solutions of

the hospital. Dr. Bognár and Dr. Kassai wish to introduce and adapt the best practices of the Alder Hey hospital in Hungary.

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Good Practices are being published!

At the onset of the HELIUM project, the consortium was tasked with the identification and analysis of 40 Good Practices dealing with innovation in the healthcare sector within our regions. Following a process laid out by our Advisory Partner, Thomas More Kempen from Flanders, the frameworks for the identification had been created, allowing us to clearly match the unmet needs or improvement areas of the regions and their policy with the Good Practices identified in other regions which would address these needs. These Good Practices form the basis of the Regional Action Plans in which policy improvement recommendations will be made based on what partners have learned and can be applied in their region for improvement in the innovation ecosystem at home. In total, the consortium managed to highlight 43 Good Practices, more information on these Good Practice cases is currently being uploaded to the HELIUM project website. Curious what Good Practices we have found or interested in finding out more about a specific Good Practice? Head over to the [project website](#) to learn more or get in contact with one of the HELIUM partners!



How to translate best practice to sustainable innovation?

Semmelweis University submitted a poster together with ÁEEK at the EHMA conference in Budapest, between 20 and 22 June, 2018, describing the innovation process, focusing of the sustainable functioning of the Living Labs.

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