




Governance & Strategic Planning Committee

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Introduction

- ERNACT = European Regions Network for the Application of Communications Technology
- Setup on a crossborder basis by Derry City & Strabane & Donegal County Councils in 1991
- The NW councils appoint the ERNACT board
- 10 regions from across Europe
- Working together to develop ICT, 'tech' or digital projects
- Secure EU funding



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What we do

- European Office is in Letterkenny
- Develop Funding Proposals
- Manage international 'tech' projects
- Assignments for EU and network members
- Gather European Digital Intelligence
- Develop European partnerships



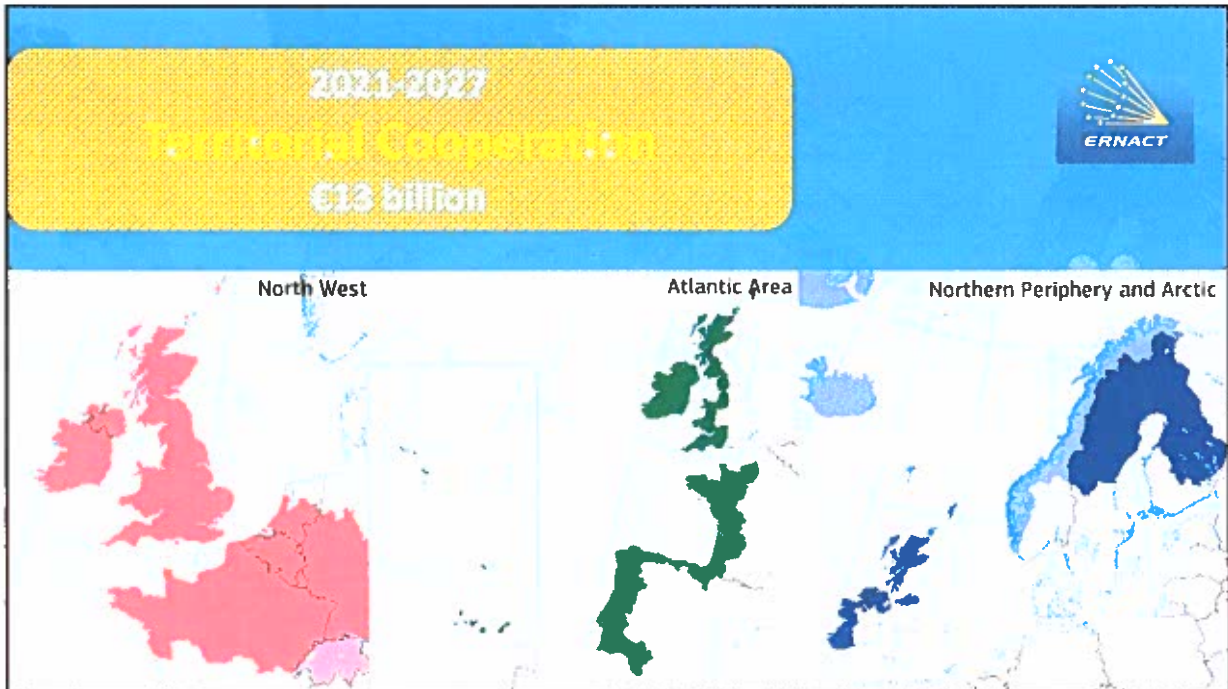
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WHAT HAVE WE DONE...

160 **35** **€65m**



ERNACT
European Agency for the Application of Communications Technology



2021-2027
€9.2 billion

ERNACT

- **Supercomputers:** €2.7 billion to strengthen supercomputing and data processing
- **Artificial intelligence (AI):** €2.5 billion to help spread AI across the European economy and society.
- **Cybersecurity and trust:** €2 billion for safeguarding the EU's digital economy, society and democracies.
- **Digital skills:** €700 million to ensure workforce will have the opportunity to easily acquire advanced digital skills through long- and short-term training courses and on-the-job traineeships.
- **Public Sector & SMEs:** €1.3 billion will ensure the digital transformation of public administration and public services and their EU-wide interoperability and facilitate access to technology and knowhow for all businesses, notably SMEs

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 Carrick
 Chesham Droghda
 Donegal and Leitrim B&E
 Derry City & Strabane Town & Council

Governance



- Board appointed by 2 councils: 2 elected members & CEO (or reps)
 - Meets 6 times per annum
- Interregional Management Committee
 - Meets 2 per year
- Audit and Finance Committee



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2021-2027

€100 billion



Pillar 1
Open Science

European Research Council

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Infrastructures



Pillar 2
Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness

- Clusters
- Health
 - Inclusive and Secure Society
 - Digital and Industry
 - Climate, Energy and Mobility
 - Food and natural resources

Joint Research Centre



Pillar 3
Open Innovation

European Innovation Council

European innovation ecosystems

European Institute of Innovation and Technology

Strengthening the European Research Area




Thank You

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Resources

- Tested operating processes
- 5 staff : "tech" focus, Masters level, 2 Spanish
- Cooperation Platform: Teamworker
- Audited Accounts, Internal audit, Risk Register, audit & finance sub-committee
- All systems in cloud (accounts, web, files, costing, office)



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Future



- **North West Development Needs:** work more closely with ERNACT regions in tourism, energy, digital
- **Innovation Image:** project the innovation image of the North West
- **European Tech Gateway:** Enhance potential of North West as gateway to European Union (Newfoundland example)
- **Post-Brexit:** Mechanism to maximise EU for Derry/Strabane



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 Carraghilly, Drogheda & Carrishocklin, Strabane, Ban
 Derry / Drogheda & Carrishocklin, Strabane
 Drogheda & Carrishocklin

Match Funding resources



| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| EU Grants | €256 | €283 | €339 | €332 |
| Other Councils (incl. Donegal) | €101 | €124 | €107 | €139 |
| Derry City & Strabane District | €56 | €62 | €41 | €41 |
| Total | €413 | €469 | €487 | €512 |



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