# The STIPP funding area

As one of the oldest cross-border regions in Europe, the Meuse-Rhine region promotes the STIPP initiative via its new Interreg Meuse-Rhine (NL-BE-DE) programme.

The German-Dutch-Belgian border triangle in particular is known for its high density of innovative companies and great research excellence. This region is therefore predestined for innovation activities in the context of the STIPP instrument.







Meuse-Rhine (NL-BE-DE)

#### **STIPP**

# Ready to innovate? Get in touch with us!

Find your personal regional STIPP-contact on our website or use the following partner contacts:

#### The Netherlands LIOF stipp@liof.nl North Rhine-Westphalia and Rhineland-Palatinate **AGIT** stipp@agit.de NMWP stipp@nmwp.eu Belgium (Flanders) **POM Limburg** Stipp.tb@pomlimburg.be **VLAIO** stipp.tb@vlaio.be Belgium (Wallonie) Wallonie Entreprendre europe@wallonieentreprendre.be

If you have a more general question about the initiative or the possibility to start-up an innovation project, please write us: stipp-fm@prvlimburg.nl

Further information can be found online via the QR-code inside or the following URL:

https://www.interregmeuserhine.eu/en/projects/stipp/

Funding Regions















NMWP.

Partners







**WE** Wallonie Entreprend

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#### STIPP - Innovation redefined

The border triangle of the Netherlands, Germany and Belgium is an innovative high-tech region with strengths in both research and industry – from SMEs to global companies. The high-tech impulses of this region provide answers to global challenges. The regional science enjoys the highest reputation on international level. The potential of this region can be further strengthened by intensifying the exchange of relevant stakeholders across borders.

STIPP stands for "SMF Transition Innovation Partners" Projects" and is designed to cater to the needs of small and medium enterprises, from business development and consortium building up to funding for innovative cooperation projects.

# What does STIPP have to offer and how can STIPP support my company?

The STIPP instrument covers the entire spectrum of cross-border activities of innovative entrepreneurs interested in new co-creation partners in the Meuse-Rhine region and supports you with the following services:

- · we identify and approach potential partner SMEs for your project idea across borders.
- · we organise short cross-border (online) meetings to get to know those SMEs, you are interested in.
- we support you in setting-up your **cross-border** partner consortium and project application,
- your consortium can apply for attractive fundings for your innovation project
- · we **support** you during your innovation project life-cycle and
- · you receive our support for further market entry (on request)

## STIPP – tackle grand challenges

The STIPP instrument has set itself the ambitious goal of meeting some of the major challenges of our time with innovative solutions.

In order to achieve the widest possible range of solutions in the innovation projects, there is no focus on specific technologies. It is important that the cross-border consortia address (at least) one of the following three topics with their innovation project applications:



**Industrial Transition** 



**Green Transformation** 



**Healthier Citizens** 

# Compact, innovative and market-oriented projects

The aim of the STIPP instrument is to be close to the market. The initiative is therefore clearly focussed on Technology Readiness Levels (TRL) from 4 to 9 (preferably 6 or higher) with a maximum project duration of 24 months.

#### TECHNOLOGY READINESS LEVEL (TRL)

9	ACTUAL SYSTEM PROVEN IN OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT
8	SYSTEM COMPLETE AND QUALIFIED
7	SYSTEM PROTOTYPE DEMONSTRATION IN OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT
6	TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATED IN RELEVANT ENVIRONMENT
5	TECHNOLOGY VALIDATED IN RELEVANT ENVIRONMENT
4	TECHNOLOGY VALIDATED IN LAB

## Start your STIPP-project today!



New calls on a regular basis



Available EU-funding of € 10.000.000 within the STIPP instrument



Project selection process of 12 weeks



## Conditions 2

- Min. 2 SMFs from 2 Member States (NL, BE or DE)
- · Non-SMEs may participate, but do not receive grants
- SMEs not located in the programme area may participate with limited grants Further Terms and conditions apply.



### **Grant**

- · Participation of more SMEs is preferred
- · Grant of 50% in the eligible expenditure
- · Maximum grant depending on the composition of the consortium
- $\cdot$  € 150.000 with 2 regions to € 600.000 with 4 regions per project
- · Max. EU-funding per region € 75.000 to € 125.000
- · Other terms and conditions apply



The application is simple and can be done online:

