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## Free Online Class by the ELGS

The ELGS organizes a series of lectures every year free for the public. **On April 2 at 18.00** join us to watch a lecture by **Giuseppe Di Paola**, DG Regional and Urban Policy (REGIO), European Commission on "**The European Territorial Cooperation and Macro-regional Strategies**".

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### Seminar

"The European Territorial Cooperation and Macro-Regional Strategies".

The overarching objective of the **European Territorial Cooperation (ETC)** is to promote a harmonious economic, social and territorial development of the European Union. It is one of the two goals of cohesion policy and provides a framework for implementation of joint actions between national regional and local actors from different Member States and outside the Union.

A '**macro-regional strategy**' is an integrated framework endorsed by the European Council. It may be supported by the European Structural and Investment Funds among others, to address common challenges faced by several Member States and third countries located in the same geographical area, which thereby can benefit from strengthened cooperation contributing to the achievement of economic, social and territorial cohesion.

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