

# Towards an inspiring Alpine Space Programme 2021-2027

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# Welcome and introduction

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# Agenda: Workshop - towards an inspiring Alpine Space Programme 2021-2027

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**08.45**                      **Welcome and introduction**

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**08:50**                      **Programming process and first outlines of the new Alpine Space Programme 2021-2027**

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**09:15**                      **Bring in your ideas and proposals:  
Part I: Talk to your neighbour  
Part II: Fishbowl / plenary discussion**

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**10:00**                      **Questions and answers  
Outlook and next steps**

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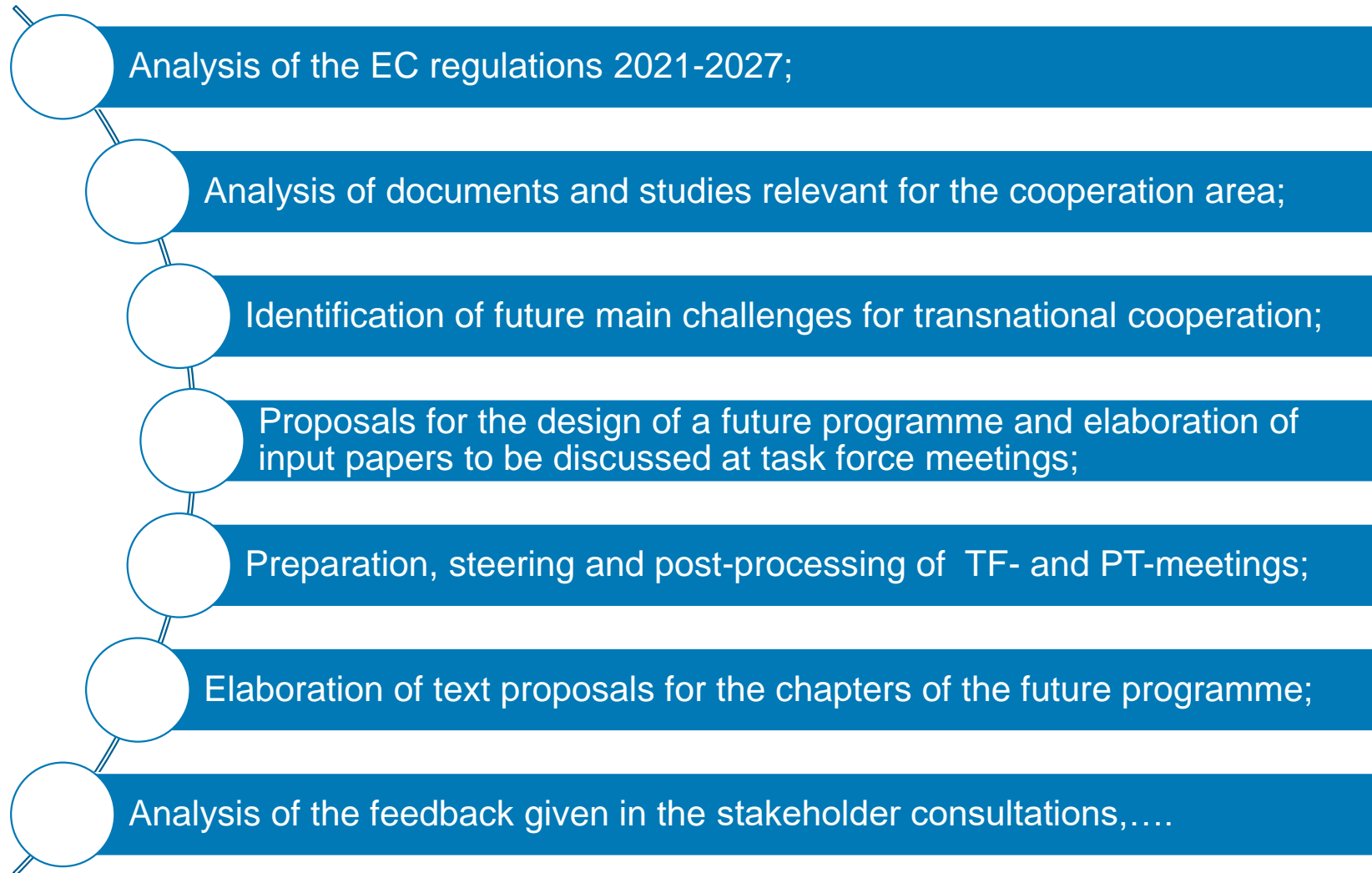
**10:30**                      ***End of workshop-session***

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# Programming process and first outlines of the new Alpine Space Programme 2021-2027

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# Drafting of the future programme - tasks



# Criteria for successful stakeholder involvement and consultation procedures

Invite those who are relevant for a successful implementation of the future programme and those who are interested to contribute;

Ask for feedback and input at the right time and not only once;

Communicate early enough about the consultation opportunities so that interested groups can prepare their inputs;

Make clear what will happen with the feedback and how feedback will be considered in the programming process;

Ensure transparent documentation of the feedback received from the different groups

# Framework: drafting the Interreg Alpine Space Programme 2021-2027

## 5 policy objectives ((COM(2018) 375) )

- PO 1: a **smarter Europe** by promoting innovative and smart economic transformation,
- PO 2: a **greener, low-carbon Europe** by promoting clean and fair energy transition, green and blue investment, the circular economy, climate adaptation and risk prevention and management;
- PO 3: a **more connected Europe** by enhancing mobility and regional ICT connectivity;
- PO 4: a **more social Europe** implementing the European Pillar of Social Rights;
- PO 5: a **Europe closer to citizens** by fostering the sustainable and integrated development of urban, rural and coastal areas and local initiatives
- Additionally: **2 Interreg specific objectives:**
  - A better Interreg governance
  - A safer and more secure Europe

# Principle of thematic concentration

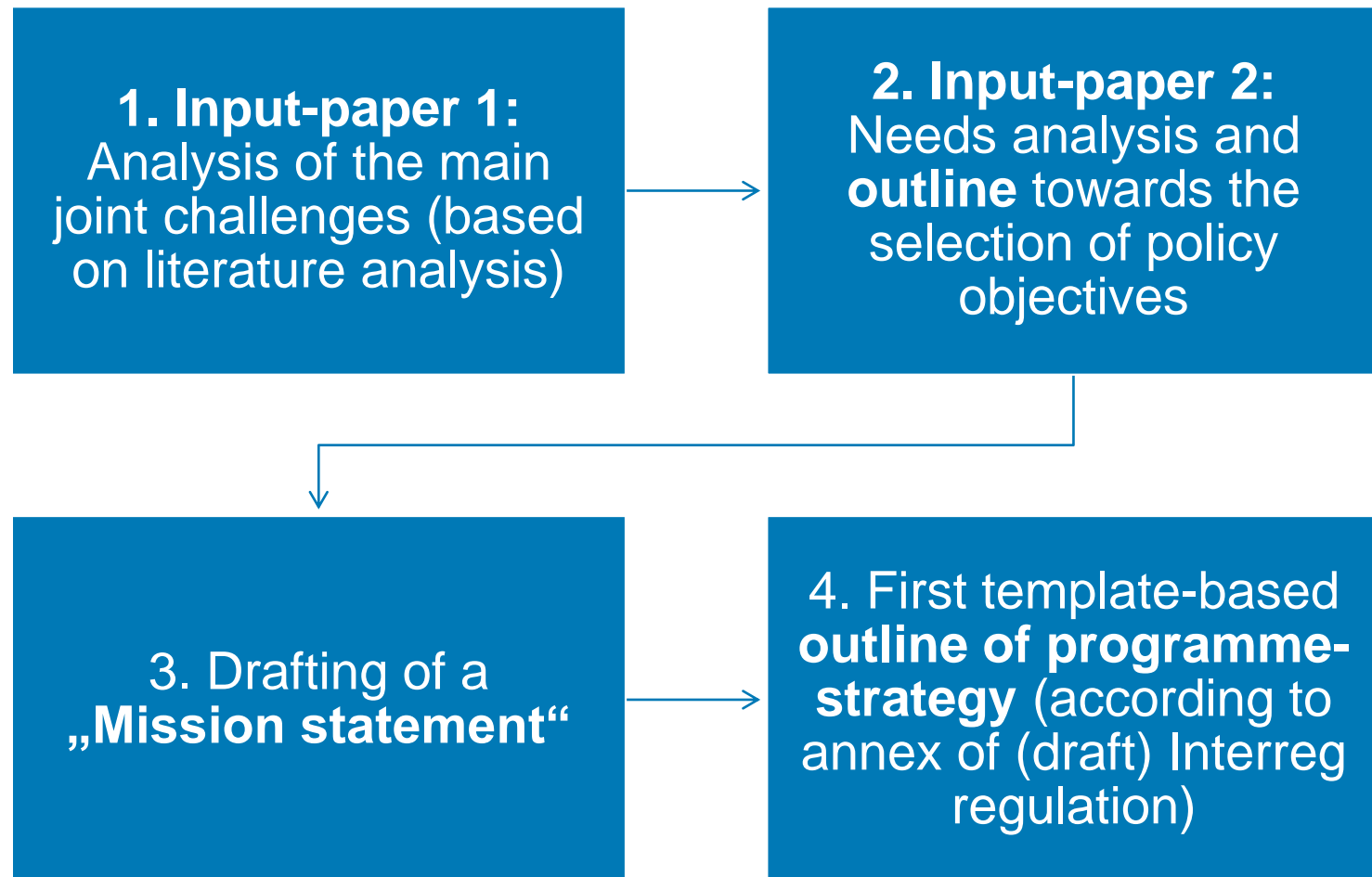
- » At least 60% of the ERDF on a maximum of 3 of the 5 policy objectives
- » An additional 15% of the ERDF to one of the Interreg-specific objectives



# A fresh look on programming

- »How to make the programme inspiring, sparkling?
- »Thinking one step ahead! Be ambitious!
- »What is a difference that makes a difference?
  - »From low carbon to carbon neutral!
  - »From a more connected to a 100% digitalised Alpine Space!
  - »From a smart economic transformation to smart people!
  - »From GDP to wellbeing!
  - »From homo oeconomicus to behavioural economics!

# Drafting of the programme: steps taken so far



# 1. Input-paper 1 – Content:

## Summary of the main joint challenges

1. Joint challenges (and opportunities) based on recent megatrends
2. Economic, social and territorial disparities
3. Joint investment needs (and complementarity with other forms of support)
4. Lessons learnt from past experience
5. EUSALP and inter-relation with ASP
6. Links to policy objectives
7. Literature

Annex: contains all the results and texts from the desk research

# Joint challenges (and opportunities) based on recent megatrends

## Megatrends

Globalisation

Climate change

Digitization

Urbanisation

Acceleration of transport & communication

Demographic change

Societal change

Knowledge based economy

Increasing energy consumption

Leisure society

Increasing safety needs

# 3. Drafting of a „Mission statement“

**DRAFT!**

## Mission statement V02

### Why are we here?

- » We are at the forefront of the transition to a unique, carbon neutral and climate resilient European territory: the Alpine Region.

### What do we do?

- » Through innovative and pioneering ideas we foster the integration of sustainable economic development, societal wellbeing and the preservation of *the* outstanding *Alpine* nature.
- » We support cooperation projects across borders and facilitate joint trans-national solutions.

### How do we do it?

- » We bring together stakeholders from different areas, sectors and levels and create benefit for the citizens in the Alpine region.

## 2. Input-paper 2 and first outline towards the selection of policy objectives

- » **Input paper 2: „Needs approach“ - description of 26 needs:**
  - » Short text, quotations
  - » Addressed megatrends, overall policy goals (SDGs, EUSALP, AC, Paris agreement and others)
  - » Addressed policy objectives 2021-2027
  - » Considers literature, territorial types, results from ASP 14-20 projects, results from EUSALP AG´s and AC WG´s, evaluation studies, SEA
  
- » **Outline towards the selection of the following policy objectives:**
  - » PO 2: Greener, low-carbon Europe
  - » PO 5: Europe closer to citizens
  - » Interreg specific objective: A better Interreg governance

## Needs – overview „highly relevant needs“

- » Explore the **synergies in economic development** between Alpine regions in all sectors
- » Support transformation towards an Alpine **green and circular economy**
- » Make use of **digital transformation** to foster economic development
- » **Improve accessibility** of inner-Alpine, remote and depopulating areas
- » Trigger **climate change mitigation** in all sectors
- » Support **adaptation to climate change** in all sectors
- » Strengthen **Alpine biodiversity** and functioning ecosystems
- » Support **sustainable spatial and settlement development**
- » Improve the **ASP governance-system** to better tackle future transformation processes and the implementation of **EUSALP**



## Needs – overview „partly relevant needs“

- » Support and sustain **economic competitiveness** of the Alpine regions
- » Support the transition to **sustainable tourism** coping with changing leisure behaviour
- » Support the **reduction of energy consumption** and the increase of the share of **renewable energy**
- » Support **social transformation** and cope with **increasing diversity**
- » Cope with **changing leisure behaviour**

## 4. Actual state of play: First template based outline of the programme strategy

### Working steps to prepare the outline of the programme strategy:

- » Analysis and assessment of needs by experts,
- » Screening of feedback provided by TF-members & combined analysis with the experts assessment
- » Derivation of highly relevant needs / partly relevant needs / needs with less relevance to the ASP and additional screening of EUSALP objectives and needs
- » Cross-check: matching with EC-orientation-paper



**Preparation of a first template based outline of the programme strategy (incl. proposal for selection of PO`s and SO`s)**

(PO = policy objective, SO = specific objective)

# Proposal: Focus on PO 2 & choose Interreg specific objective

**PO 2: A greener, low-carbon Europe by promoting clean and fair energy transition, green and blue investment, the circular economy, climate adaptation and risk prevention and management by:**

- i. promoting energy efficiency measures;
- ii. promoting renewable energy;
- iii. developing smart energy systems, grids and storage at local level;
- iv. promoting climate change adaptation, risk prevention and disaster resilience;**
- v. promoting sustainable water management;
- vi. promoting the transition to a circular economy;**
- vii. enhancing biodiversity, green infrastructure in the urban environment, and reducing pollution;**

Bold black: focus, dark grey: address SO, light grey: rather skip SO

**Interreg specific objective:** Better Interreg governance

# Discussion on PO 1 and PO 5

- » **PO 1 „A smarter Europe by promoting innovative and smart economic transformation”**
  - » Consider aspects of PO 1 within PO 2 or PO 5 or adress PO 1 separately
  - » To be further discussed ... ideas:
    - » PO 1 should „support“ PO 2
    - » PO 1 should be „small“ and „targeted“
    - » ...
  
- » **PO 5 „A Europe closer to citizens by fostering the sustainable and integrated development of urban, rural and coastal areas and local initiatives”:**
  - » Interesting from a thematic point of view
  - » **But:** with regard to implementation in a transnational context (e.g. ITI, CLLD) still some questions left -> clarification from the EC required!

# Consideration of EC-Orientation paper for drafting of the strategy

Orientation paper – conclusions regarding the focus of the future ASP:

- » **Generally:** Proposal of experts and EC overlapping to a high extent
- » **PO1:**
  - » Proposal of experts: consider that aspect within PO 2 and PO 5 and/or consider PO 1 separately – to be discussed
- » **PO 2 (strongest focus):**
  - » Experts proposal in line with EC proposal
- » **PO 5:**
  - » Experts proposal in line with EC proposal
  - » Promote territorial strategies such as urban partnerships, sustainable urban development: to be discussed, experts made no proposal on methods or instruments yet
- » **Interreg-specific objective of better governance:**
  - » Experts proposal in line with EC proposal

# Bring in your ideas and proposals!

## Interactive workshop-session on the first ideas of the Alpine Space Programme 2021-2027

### Guiding questions :

1. To which proposals do you agree?
2. To which proposals do you disagree? Why?
3. What is missing and should be added?
4. What would make the new programme really inspiring and sparkling?

**Part 1:** “Talk to your neighbour” – Please note your key statements on cards!

**Part 2:** Fishbowl / plenary discussion

# Questions and answers

# Outlook and next steps

# Stakeholder participation: March – May 2020

## Language-based consultation events:

<b>Switzerland &amp; Liechtenstein:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 31 March 2020</li><li>• Zurich</li></ul>	<b>Austria:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 20.- 23. April 2020: 1 ½ days tbd</li><li>• Salzburg</li><li>• back-to-back ASP &amp; Danube &amp; Central</li></ul>	<b>France:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 12 May 2020 &amp; 13 May 2020</li><li>• Besançon and Valence</li></ul>	<b>Slovenia:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 20 May 2020</li><li>• Bled or Ljubljana</li></ul>	<b>Germany:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tbd: events in Bavaria &amp; Baden-Württemberg (planned)</li></ul>	<b>Italy:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tbd: events in Turin and Verona planned</li></ul>
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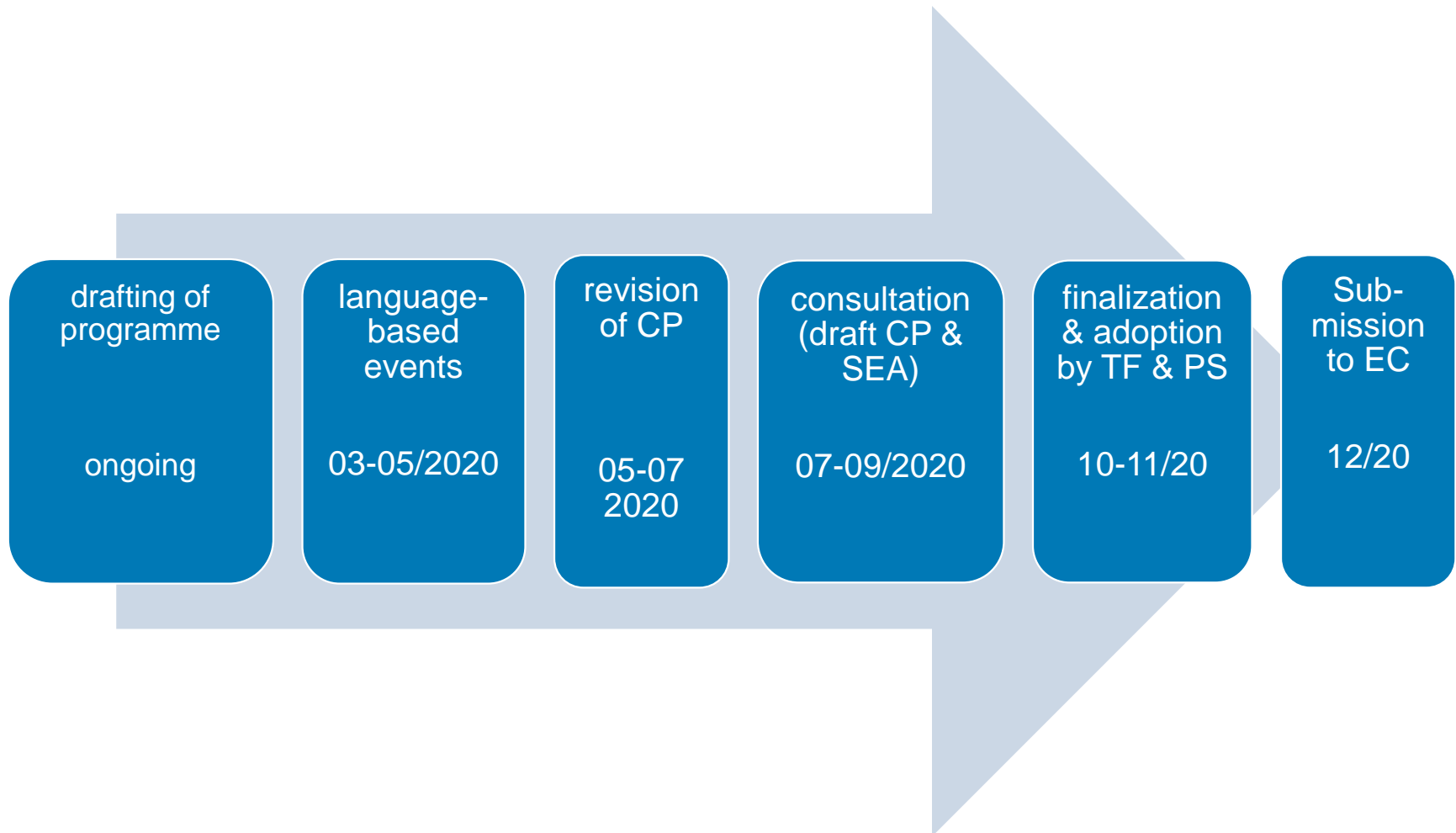
## Main objectives:

- Broaden view of the new Alpine Space Programme;
- Support ownership among stakeholders;
- Get to know opinions of the stakeholders;
- Create an atmosphere for open and future oriented dialogue;

## Methods:

- Common core:
  - general information: content, structures and procedures of ASP 2021+
  - discussion and systematic collection of feedback
- Country-specific concerns, adaptations, ...

# Outlook - planned timeframe



CP = Cooperation Programme, SEA = Strategic Environmental Assessment  
TF = Task Force, PS = Partner States, EC = European Commission

# Thank you very much for your attention!

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