



Horizontal principles & Youth involvement

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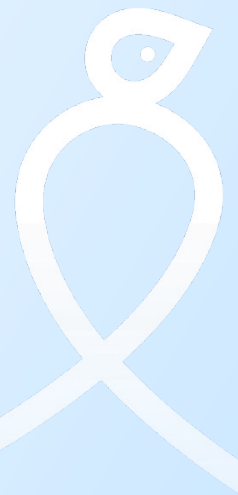
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- Climate change actions
- Fair trade
- Ethical Consumerism
- Sustainability
- Equal opportunities
- Zero waste movement
- Veganism/plant based living
- Diversity and inclusion

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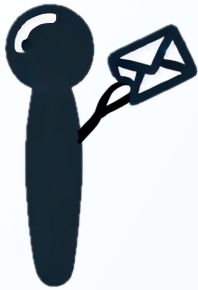


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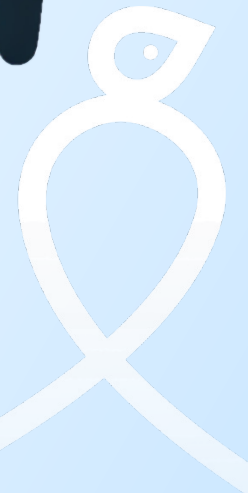


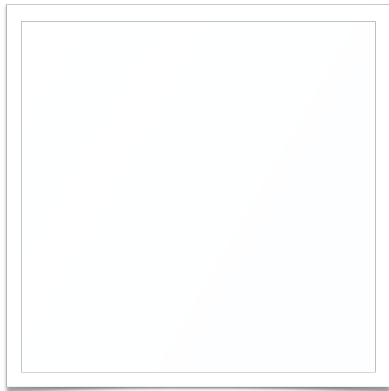
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Martin Luther
1483-1546



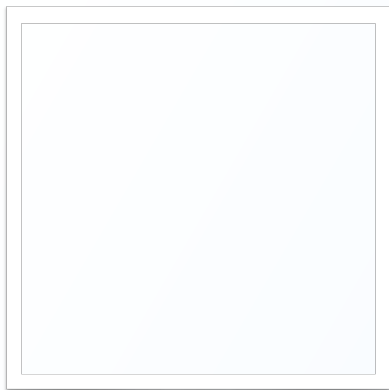
The French Revolution
1789-1799



The Abolitionist Movement
18th-19th Century



The Suffragette Movement
19th & Early 20th Century



Rosa Parks
The Civil Rights Movement
1950s-60s



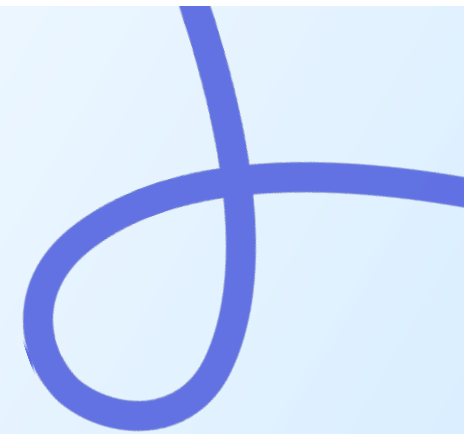
Stonewall Riots
1969



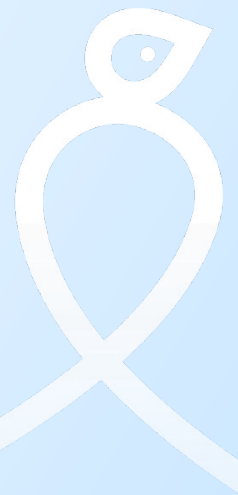
Paul Watson, Bob Hunter
Greenpeace
1971



Greta Thunberg
Climate Change Movement
2018



**It's all about dedication
and the drive to push past
what's simple and familiar.**



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What are the challenges on your way to a greener & more inclusive NPA project?

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What practices worked well and what did not?

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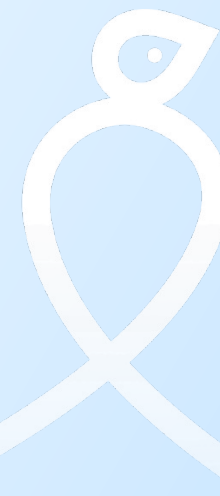
What more can we do, on a project and/or Programme level?

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Interreg Volunteer Youth


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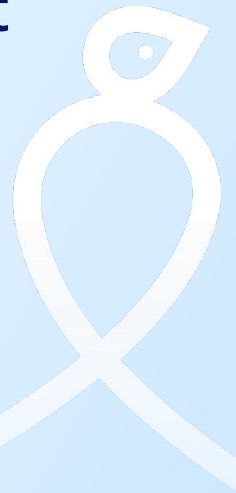
What is an IVY?

- IVY is a volunteering programme to support cooperation among regions.
 - IVY volunteers are involved in programmes and projects funded by Interreg to boost solidarity and cooperation.
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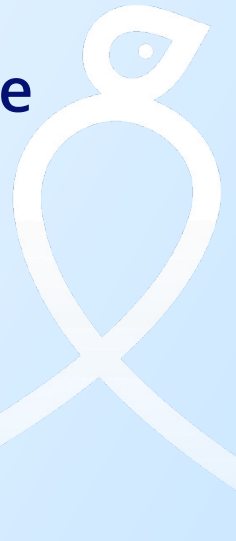
Who is an IVY?

- IVY is a young volunteer age 18 – 30
- Resident or a citizen of participating countries
- Skilled and motivated in their field of interest for the benefit of territorial cooperation and solidarity



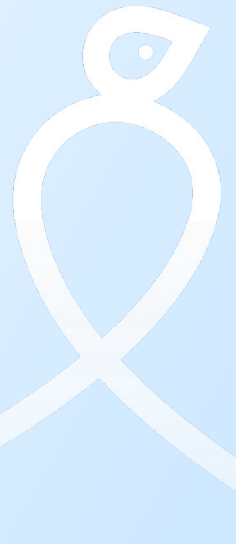


Why to consider an IVY?

- ✓ benefit from the support of a skilled and motivated young person to implement their project with new ideas, fresh perspectives and creativity.
 - ✓ Make the benefits of cooperation more visible among local communities and beyond
 - ✓ Free of costs
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What can an IVY help with?

- ✓ communication about Interreg (articles, newsletters, posts for social media, support for event organisation);
- ✓ communication with project partners;
- ✓ promotion of projects with local media and stakeholders;
- ✓ implementation of activities that express the solidarity aspects of projects;
- ✓ etc...



How does it work?

- ✓ Volunteering period 2-6 months
- ✓ Max 35 hours a week
- ✓ Volunteers will relocate to the location of the hosting organisation
- ✓ depending on the needs of the host organisation, AEBR pre-selects 6 candidates with interest and competences in the specific field of the project/programme



Who is eligible to host?

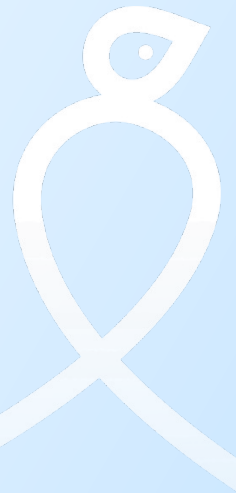
- ✓ Lead Partners
- ✓ Project partners
- ✓ Associated partners
- ✓ 7/7 NPA regions are eligible to host the IVYs

Host an IVY! Link [here](#)

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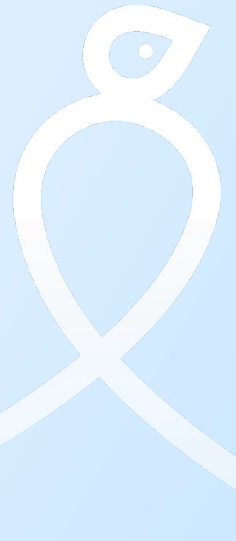
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Any questions?



Preparing Interreg NPA 25th anniversary event together

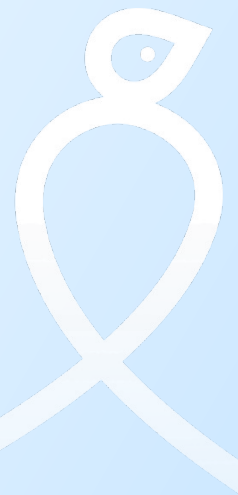
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A photograph of two young women in a social setting, likely a party or event. The woman on the left has dark hair and is wearing a black jacket over a white shirt with a colorful tie. The woman on the right has red hair and is wearing an orange top. They are both smiling and making a heart shape with their hands. In the background, other people are seated at tables, and there are green exit signs on the wall.

Interreg NPA celebrates 25 years!
See you in Bodø!

SAVE THE DATE: 1st – 2nd October 2025

To celebrate and think ahead

Reflect on the programme's **impact**, showcase **achievements**, and strengthen **collaboration** among people in the NPA areas.

Highlight how NPA projects have contributed to **regional development, resilience**, and **sustainability** in Arctic and near-Arctic communities

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When

30th September Welcome reception

1st October Plenary and side events
Conference dinner

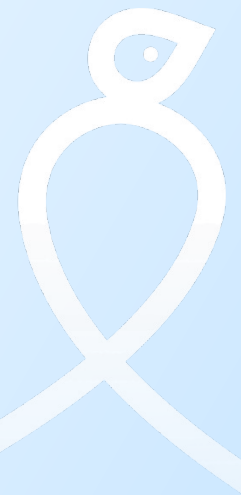
2nd October Plenary Future of the Interreg NPA
Site visits

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**Be part of the programme,
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In practice by side events we mean...

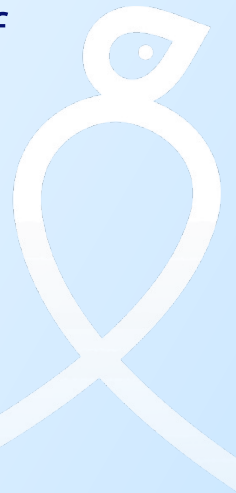
... a 45-minute, theme-focused session (presentation, workshop, panel, etc.) prepared by your project or a group of NPA projects to showcase the positive impact of transnational cooperation on people in NPA areas.

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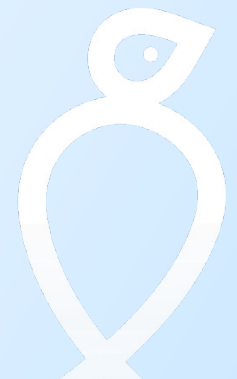


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Our idea of side events...





Good-to-know practicalities

- **Duration:** 45 minutes
 - **Format:** be creative!
 - **Audience:** up to 50 ppl, mostly representatives of NPA projects, local / regional / national authorities
 - **Projector & screen available**
 - **Due to limited time slots, we recommend joining forces in organizing the sessions**
 - **Themes:** Sharing stories, Building blocks, Emerging themes (youth, preparedness)
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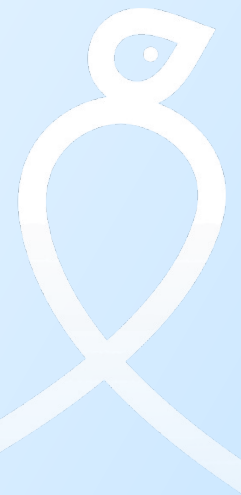
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What do you think?

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Next steps

7th April 2025

The Call for Side sessions will open

9th May 2025

Submission deadline

End of May

Hear if your session was selected!



THANK YOU!

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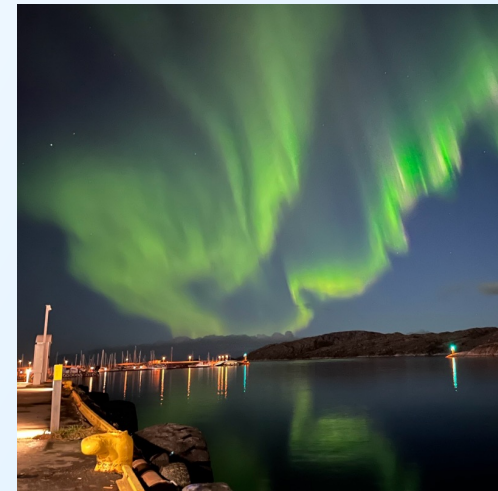
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Next Funding Opportunity

- **Sixth Call** for main and small-scale capacity building projects
- The Terms of Reference in June 2025.
- Official launch: Interreg NPA 25th Anniversary Conference in Bodø on **1 October 2025**
- Deadline: **2 February 2026**
- Decisions: May 2026 tbc
- If needed, ERDF for partners from Faroe Islands, Greenland, and Iceland.



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Closing Remarks

- Helpdesk and direct Q&A
- Please complete our **feedback form** about today's event
- See you at the Joint Interreg Arctic Cooperation Dinner at the River Lee Hotel at **18:30**
- Tomorrow, Partner Search event for the Interreg Arctic Cooperation Clustering Call
- **Note:** if you are not staying for the 20th of March, please return your lanyards.

Feedback Form

