

POLICY Area CULTURE!



Title of the workshop:	Umbrella funding for small- and micro-scale cultural initiatives in the BSR
Organiser(s)	PA Culture coordinators Impact foundation, Agata Etmanowicz
Corresponding EUSBSR objective	Connecting the region, increase prosperity
PAs and HAs involved	EUSBSR PA Culture
Who was in the workshop (how cross-sectorial was it?)	cultural actors from several sectors, representatives of funding programmes. Both sides – funders and beneficiaries – were represented
Challenge that was addressed	How can we link the local and grassroots approach of many cultural actors to the aim of connecting the Baltic region, how can many small projects and initiatives help fostering societal and economic resilience? - How can we organise a funding instrument that minimises the bureaucratic burden for communities in cultural cooperation by facing also the legal requirements?
Short summary of proposed solution(s)	The current regulations allow indirect support tools for citizen-run microprojects in certain circumstances. A better use of this option could meet the identified requirements. The new Interreg programme period could provide possibilities for small projects. PA Culture will support this development in the further programming process and promote to cultural actors the use of opportunities given by (experimental) small project funds. Cultural actors shall be informed about the possibilities within new (Interreg and other) programmes as soon as possible after programming is finalized.
Expected result(s) of the implementation of the solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using opportunities of in kind funding provides small initiatives with facilities for implementation of their ideas • Targeted actions for capacity building of cultural actors

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building leads to integration of groups beyond the '<i>usual suspects</i>' (=well organized organisations with necessary financial resources) • By this losing good ideas could be avoided
Important Internet links: organisers, projects, workshop description and/or documents	https://www.eusbsr-culture.eu/ https://www.kulturfokus.de/ https://www.sempr-project.eu/ http://artline-southbaltic.eu/ https://www.berwaldhallen.se/en/balticseafestival-2019/contact-baltic-sea-festival/ https://southbaltic.eu/joint-secretariat https://www.ostsam.no/ https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/homepage_en http://www.art-impact.pl/