

## 4. The Interreg programme supports collaboration across country borders – also in managing invasive species



*Interreg programmes aim to support the development of collaboration areas on frontier zones and across borders, and the networking between these areas.*

*Regional councils are responsible for granting and monitoring of the funding.*

*Finland has also experience of IAS-themed Interreg projects.*

### Benefits of the action

The municipality gains more resources for managing the IAS situation as well as new opportunities and openings for regional collaboration.

### Do this

Find out, with your possible project partners and the Regional Council of your area, if it is possible to apply for Interreg funding for your IAS project.

Depending on the regional programme you apply for, the funding is applied from either the Helsinki-Uusimaa Regional Council or the Regional Council of Lapland.

### More information

More information on applying for Interreg-funding:

[Structuralfunds.fi site](https://structuralfunds.fi)

More information on the INSPECT IAS project funded by the Interreg-programme (in Finnish and Swedish)

[INSPECT on ELY-Centres site](#)

