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#EU GREEN WEEK
30 MAY – 5 JUNE 2022

IMPROVING AIR QUALITY TOGETHER
LIFE IP PrepAIR:
project's achievements
and main results

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Delegation to the EU

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ROLE OF REGIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF AIR QUALITY

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AIR Network: Healthy Air for everyone



Baden-Württemberg

Catalunya

Comunidad de Madrid



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Dutch Provinces

Emilia-Romagna



Ile de France

Lombardia

Piemonte

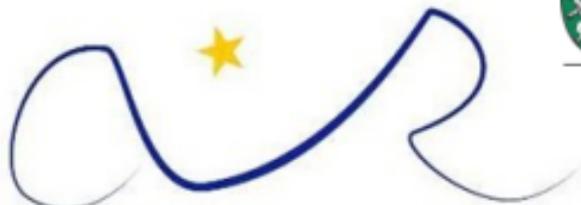


Steiermark

Veneto



Vlaanderen



Air-quality Initiative of Regions



OUR FIGURES



	Population	GDP
Baden-Württemberg	11 Millions	524 Billions
Catalunya	7,5 Millions	300 Billions
Comunidad de Madrid	6,6 Millions	230 Billions
Dutch Provinces	17 Millions	912 Billions
Emilia-Romagna	4,5 Millions	180 Billions
Ile de France	12 Millions	738 Billions
Lombardia	10 Millions	390 Billions
Piemonte	4,5 Millions	140 Billions
Steiermark	1,2 Millions	50 Billions
Veneto	5 Millions	170 Billions
Vlaanderen	6,6 Millions	270 Billions
TOTAL	80,9 Millions 18%	3.904 Billions 23%
EUROPEAN UNION	447 Millions	17.000 Billions

IMPORTANCE OF EU REGIONS WORKING TOGETHER ON AIR QUALITY



AIR welcomes the revision of the Ambient Air quality directives as announced by the European Commission (fall 2022).

New WHO guidelines, underline even more the damage of air pollution.

Air pollution has negative effects on health.

Regions struggle to meet limit values and targets.

The AIR regions have a challenge regarding air quality due to the many inhabitants, high economic activity and related traffic.

AIR believes that a revised Air Quality Directive helps regional authorities to take the air quality management measures

AIR ACTIVITIES

Feeding the European Commission Air Quality Directive policy review:
WE ARE DRAFTING A POSITION PAPER

Strengthening our political and technical collaboration:
WE ARE FINALIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



WHAT WE PROPOSE



- Importance of a Multilevel governance approach.
- Actions on the EU level, especially source-based measures.
- A commitment to protecting human health in all its aspects.
- An integrated and systematic approach between Green Deal and Air Quality measures.
- EU limit values that are both ambitious but realistic.
- Room for tailor made regional implementation.
- Compliance assessment.

KEY MESSAGE

- Exchange on air quality management for local and regional stakeholders.
- A Valuable and reliable dialogue partner for the European institutions.

With the aim to realise healthy air for all European citizens.



THANK YOU



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