



Integrated territorial development in 2014-20:
Place-based policies in practice?

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Definition of integrated, place-based development

- promotion of bundles of **integrated, place-tailored public goods and services**,
- designed and implemented by eliciting and aggregating **local preferences and knowledge** through participatory political institutions, by
- establishing **linkages** with other places,
- promoted from outside the place by a system of **multi-level governance**

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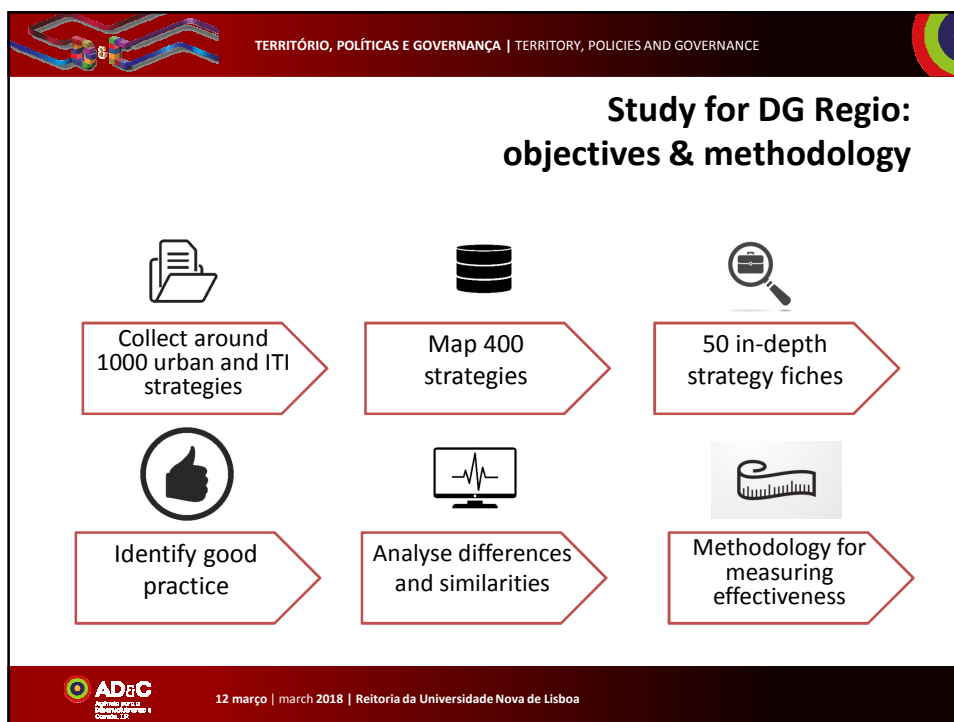
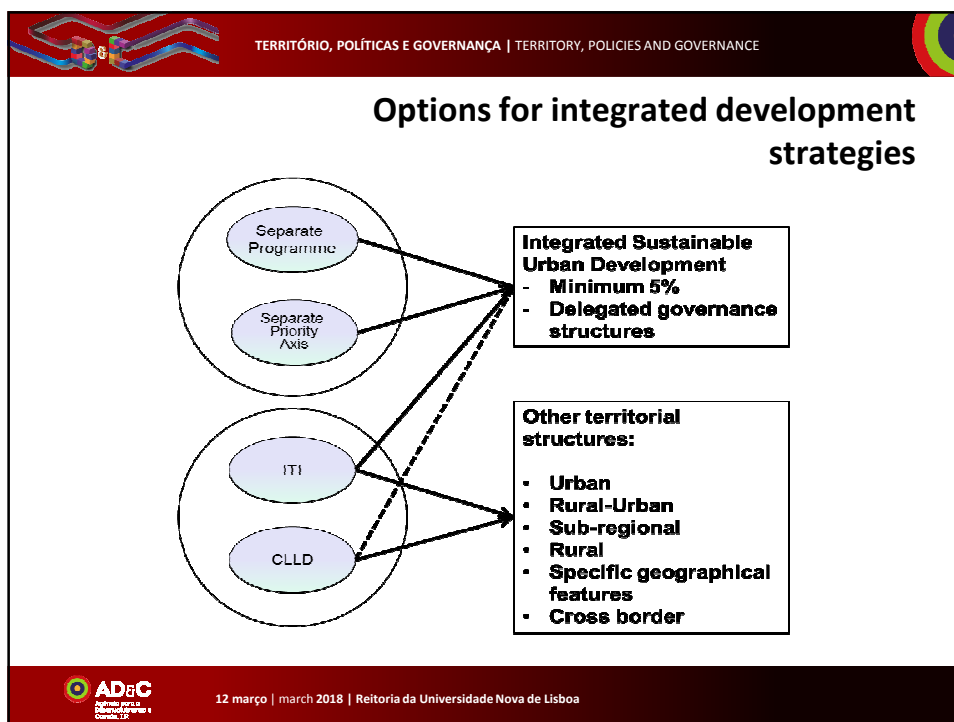
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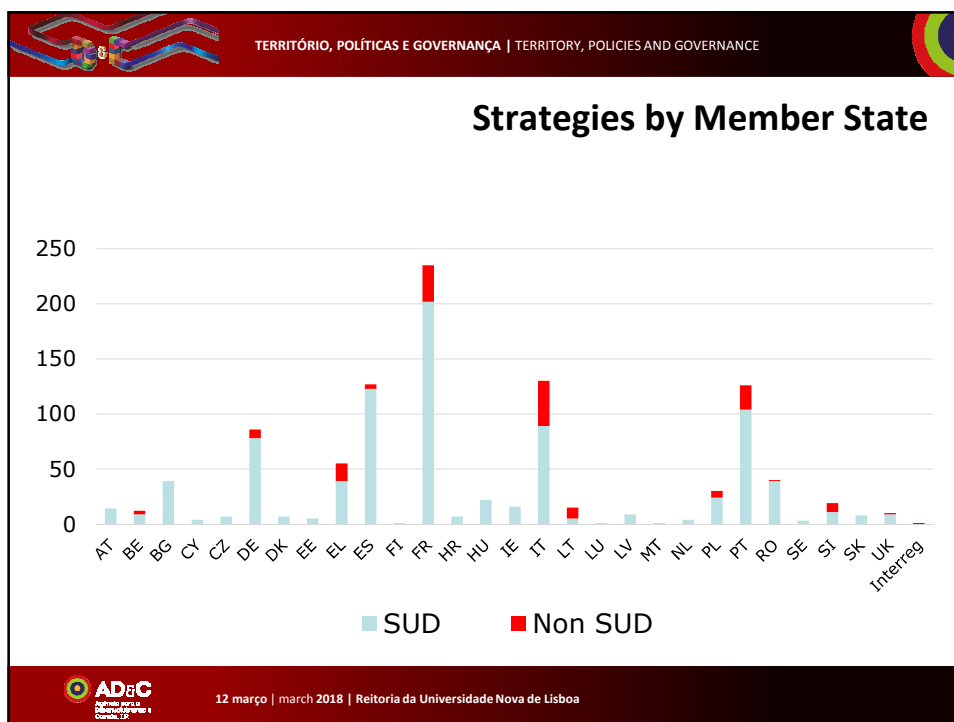
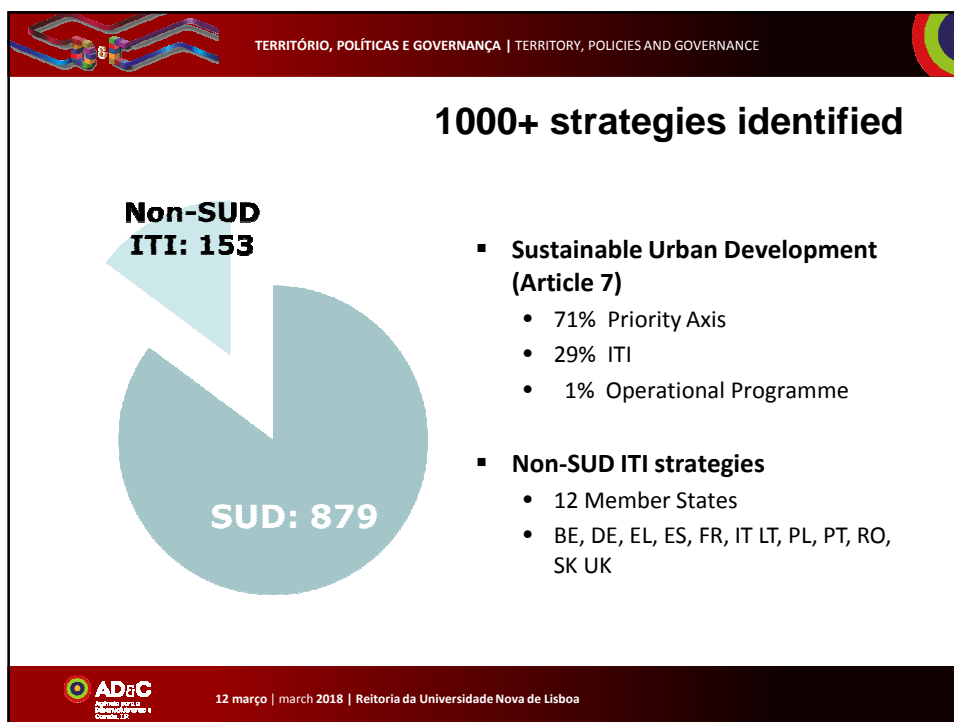
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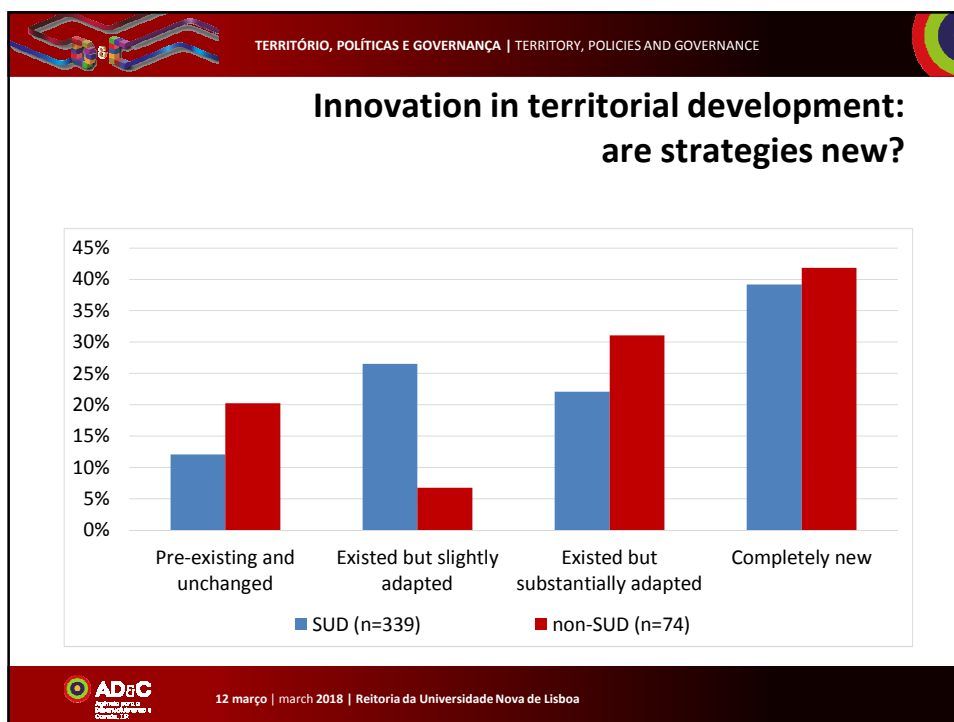
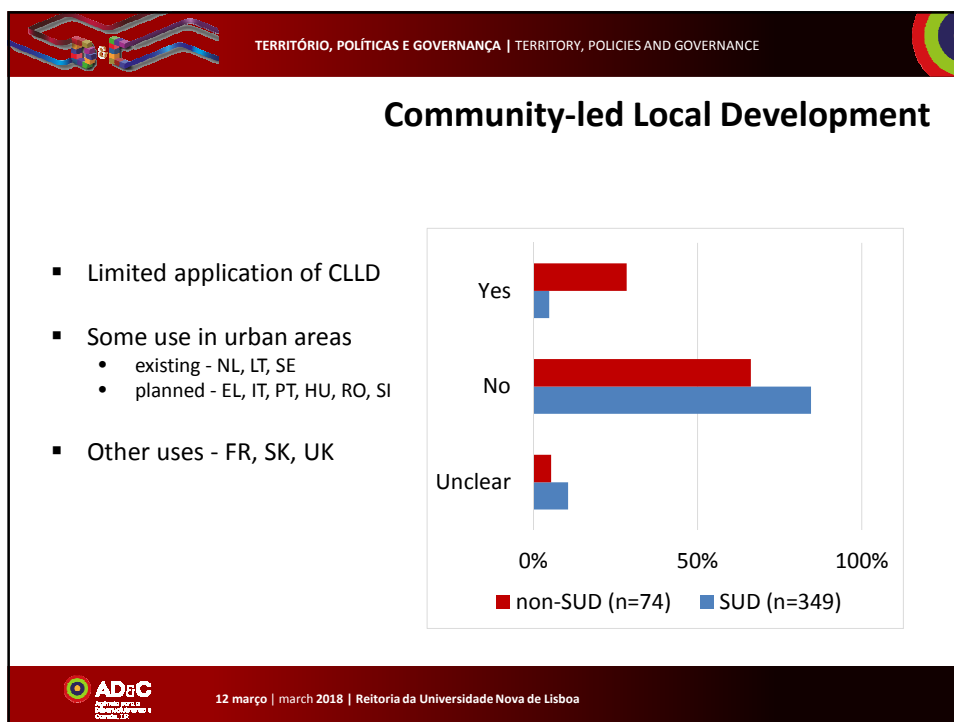
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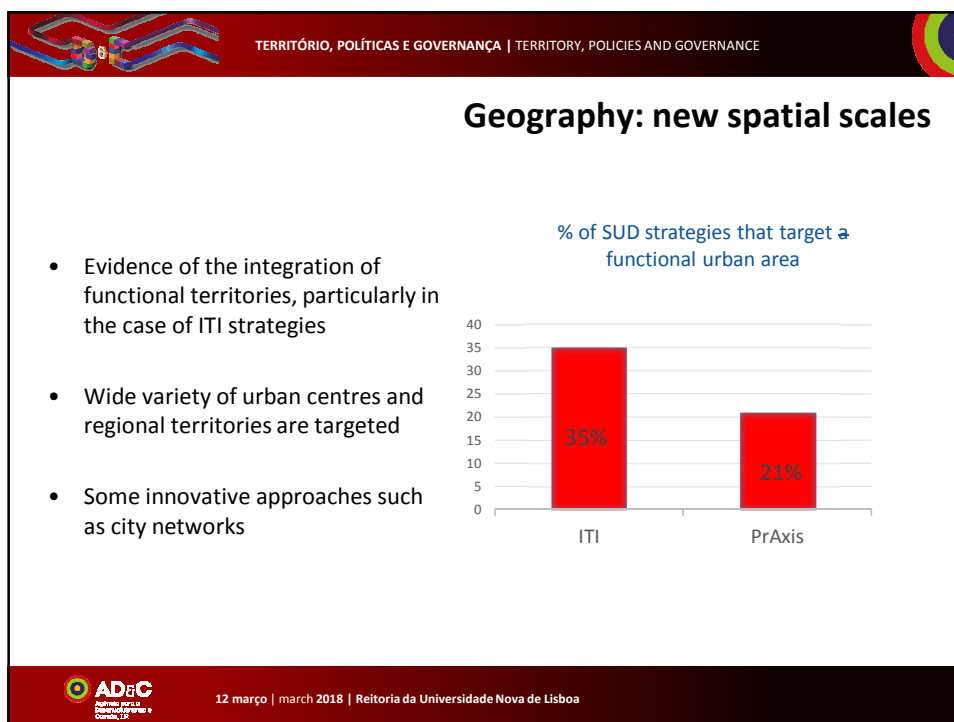
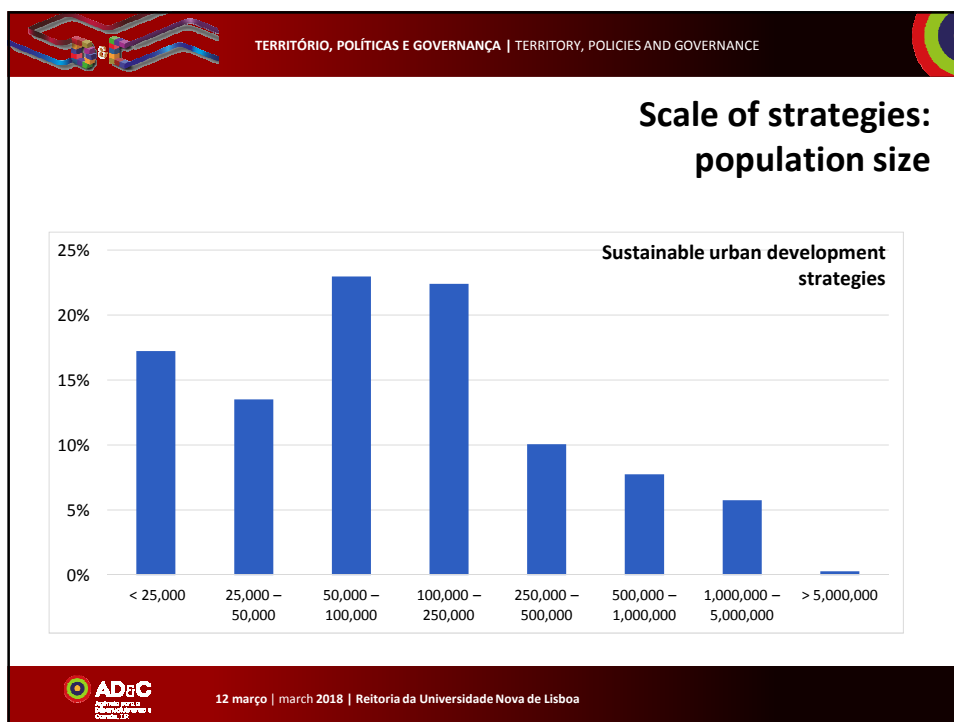
- valuing and reviving territorial identity as a unique asset
- ambitious strategies expand beyond geographical and sectoral boundaries
- open governance system is the instrument to ensure a smooth implementation of the initiative
- experimenting and learning-by-doing are natural ingredients in place-based approaches

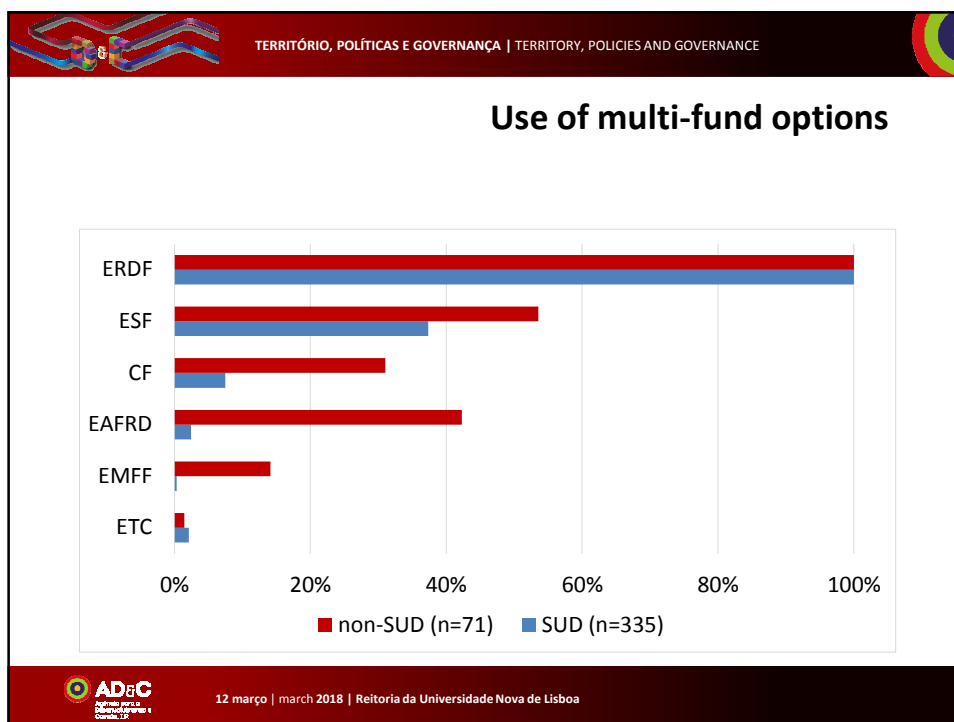
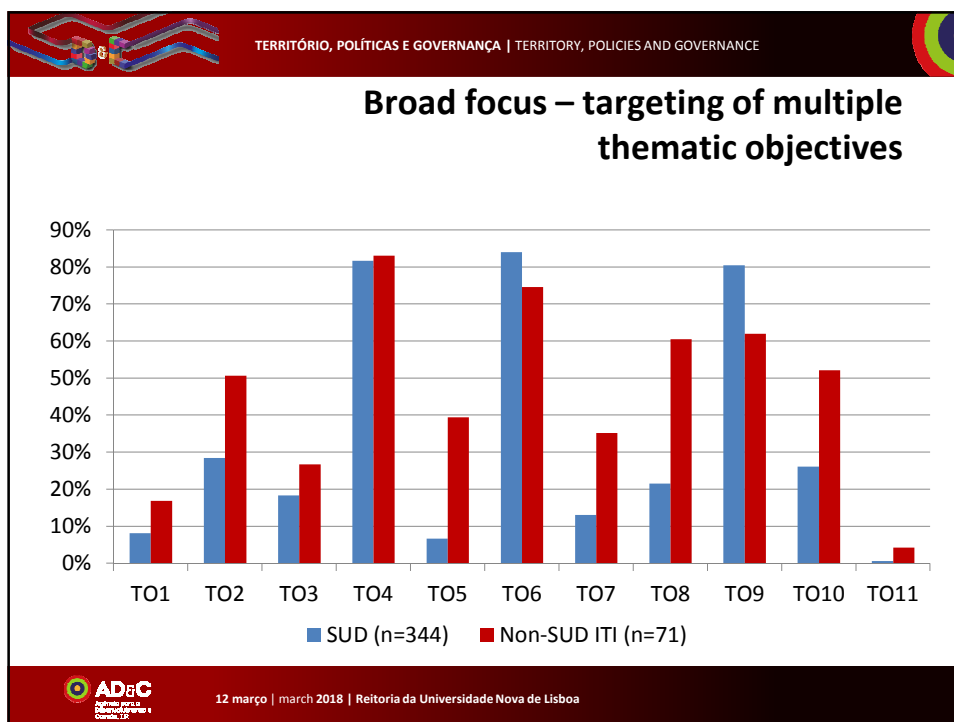
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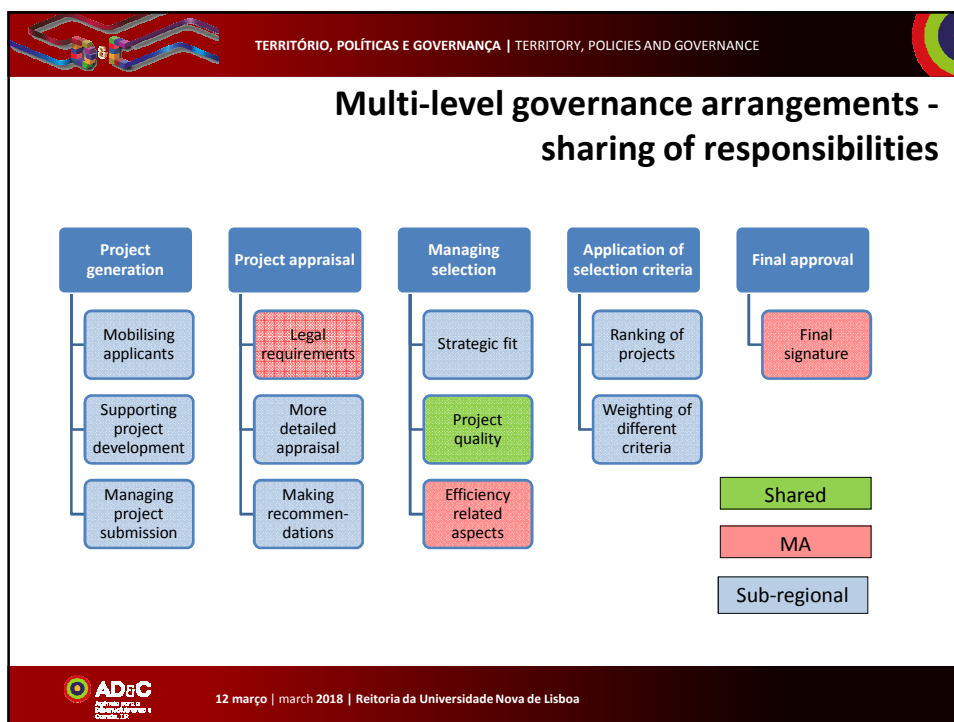












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What have we learned?

- Significant uptake of territorial strategies, especially SUD
- Planned allocation of almost €15 bn
- Many Member States exceed the minimum 5% threshold (esp. BE, BG, CY, RO)
- Every Member State has at least one SUD – most in FR, ES, PT
- All types of region and different spatial scales



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What have we learned?

Considerable innovation – many strategies are new:

- new types of region (esp. functional areas)
- new forms of collaborative governance

Evidence of an integrated approach

- strategies combine different investment priorities and funds
- contribute to all thematic objectives esp. TO4, TO6, TO9



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Issues for place-based policymaking: governance challenges

Gatekeeping by national and regional authorities

Operationalising the *integrated* implementation of strategies

Sustainability of strategies and integrated working

Understanding the low take-up of CLLD



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Issues for place-based policymaking: capacity / knowledge

Deficits in knowledge and skills (local, regional, MA) in developing integrated strategies

Challenging established ways of thinking and working – sufficient ambition?

Open governance is problematic –esp. involving citizens in design and implementation of strategies

Leadership



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Issues for place-based policymaking: evaluating performance

Finance/resources

- incentives, opportunities for pooling funds in territory
- leverage of new financial and other resources
- multiplier effects e.g. from involvement of private sector

Knowledge/learning

- skills, ideas and contacts durable beyond project
- new procedures, routines are introduced
- information and knowledge exchange, integration
- more effective and efficient engagement of stakeholders

Governance and capacity

- new structures, arenas, partnerships for strategic thinking
- builds up social capital 'soft' skills, consensus and trust
- development of technical skills and capacity at local level
- input into policy development and policy instruments

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Inforegio website (study & fiches):
http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/information/publications/studies/2017/integrated-territorial-and-urban-strategies-how-are-esif-adding-value-in-2014-2020

Summary of key messages (blog):
<http://www.eprc-strath.eu/News-and-events/news/News-3112.html>




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