

Exchanging good practice between Europe's regions

RegioStars 2014

7th Annual Awards

Applications must be sent by 19 April 2013

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Guide and application forms:

<http://ec.europa.eu/info regio/goto.cfm?page=regiostars2014>

Award categories

There are five RegioStars Award categories for 2014:

1. **SMART GROWTH:** SME innovation
2. **SUSTAINABLE GROWTH:** Green growth and jobs through Bio-economy
3. **INCLUSIVE GROWTH:** Creating jobs for the young generation
4. **CITYSTAR CATEGORY:** Investment projects in sustainable urban public transport
5. **MAJOR INVESTMENT PROJECTS:** Energy efficiency and the low carbon economy

Award criteria

- a. **Innovative character of the project**
- b. **Impact (or expected impact) of the project in terms of initial objectives**
- c. **Expected sustainability of the project:** Evidence could include development towards self-financing or demonstration that the project has or will be part of a succession of projects sequentially funded by other EU financial instruments.
- d. **Project's results in enhancing local, regional and interregional partnerships:** Evidence could include demonstration that the project was inspired by another region's project/programme or shared with another region.