



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL  
REGIONAL AND URBAN POLICY  
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Policy Development and Economic Analysis

Brussels,

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

**Subject: Invitation to participate in the EU SPI questionnaire survey**

Dear Sir or Madam

The European Commission, through its Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy has launched a multi-region pilot project "Measuring what matters to EU Citizens: Social progress in the European Regions" in order to encourage regions to empirically test how the EU regional Social Progress Index (EU-SPI) <[https://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/en/information/maps/social\\_progress](https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/information/maps/social_progress)> could be used to improve policy-making, in particular for policies supported by cohesion policy and explore avenues for the improvement of the index.

The EU-SPI aims to measure social progress for each region as a supplement to traditional measures of economic progress. Measuring social progress is valuable for the potential optimisation and readjustment of development strategies of EU regions.

This project is implemented by a consortium led by Intrasoft International together with Technopolis Group, Orkestra, ZSI, Hetfa and the Kapodistrian University of Athens.

In the context of this study, the project team is implementing a survey aimed at policy-makers. The main objective of the survey is to gather your views about the EU regional Social Progress Index <[https://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/en/information/maps/social\\_progress](https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/information/maps/social_progress)>.

Hereby, I kindly invite you to assist the tenderer team by responding to the current online survey, to share your knowledge and experience with us, as well as sharing the survey with any stakeholders for whom the survey may be relevant for their work.

Thank you in advance for the valuable time you dedicate to supporting our work.

Yours faithfully

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