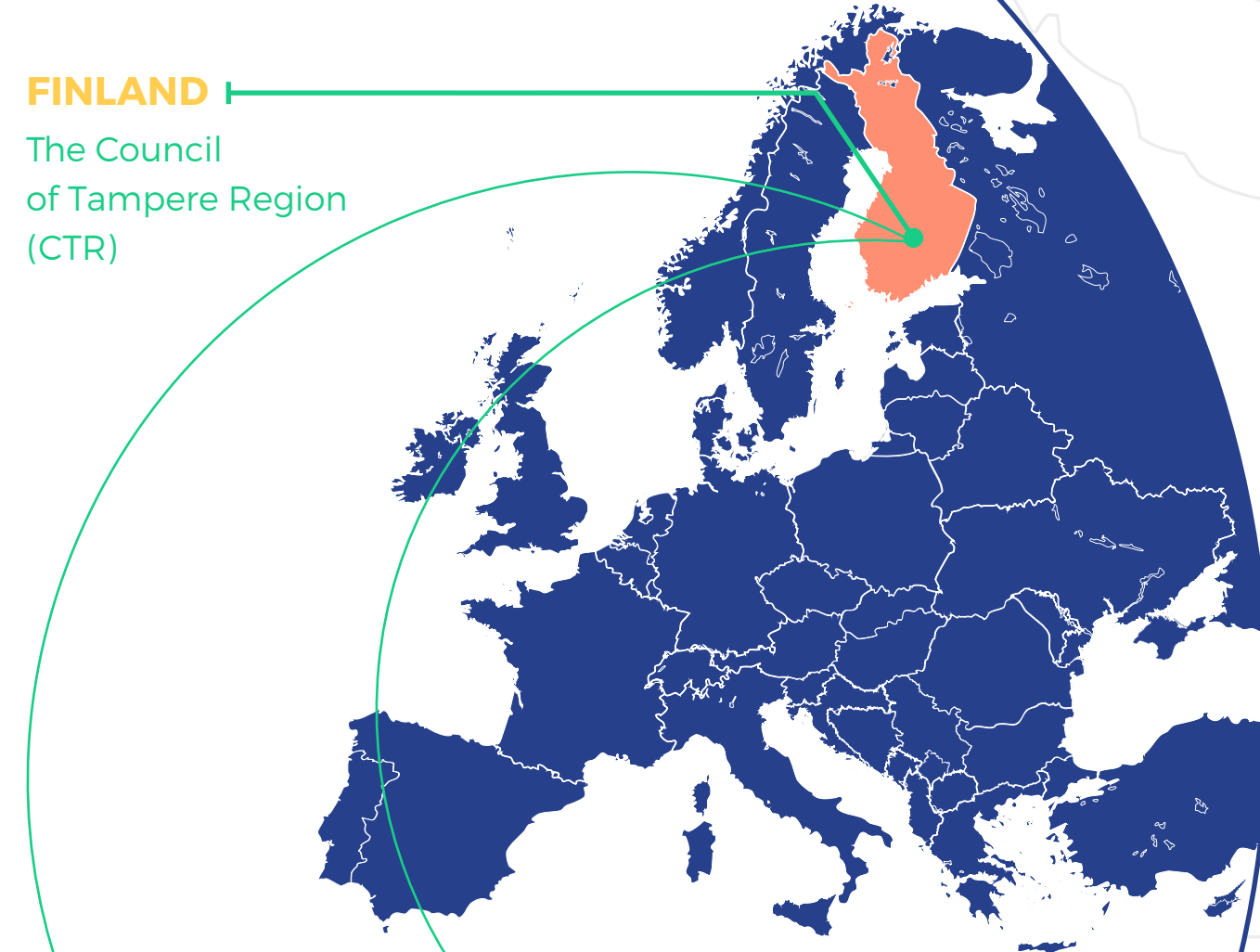


TOWARDS RESPONSIBILITY IN REGIONAL INNOVATION POLICY

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The lab is made up of
TWO PROJECT MANAGERS
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21 MILLION
euros in
2014-2020

83
European Regional
Development Fund
(ERDF) projects
supported during
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**The Council
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The Co-Change Lab at the Council of Tampere Region focuses on developing regional funding to improve responsibility and sustainability.

First steps

Regional RRI Maturity Mapping undertaken through the MARIE Interreg Europe project

Results of the mapping showed a lack of ethical evaluation of innovation projects

Exchange with local stakeholders to embed RRI elements into innovation funding

The situation

RRI evaluation criteria developed and implemented into ERDF funding calls in 2019-2020.

Focus on ethics, engagement, transparency, and safety in Artificial Intelligence projects

Criteria further developed for more thematically general funding calls

Impacts of the RRI criteria assessed and analysed in the Co-Change Lab

Steps towards institutional change

Besides the evaluation of funding applications, the impact assessment of projects is needed

By integrating RRI into monitoring and evaluation, the focus shifts to measuring the quality of processes and results (how things are done, and with whom)

The region needs competencies and activities to change mindsets for more responsible innovation policy

Difficulties

Motivating project applicants to integrate RRI elements into their projects and avoiding 'tick the box' exercises

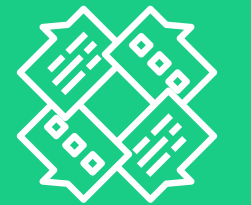
Driving more systemic change in responsible innovation policy

Encouraging funding applicants to assess the potentially negative impacts of their projects

OUTCOMES



Comprehensive impact assessment
for regional funding, RRI elements included.



RRI Roundtable:
Community of regional actors working for a more responsible future



Push for more responsible and sustainable regional innovation policy