

The SEA scoping report for the 2014 – 2020 Interregional Cooperation Programme under the European Territorial Cooperation Objective was considered to address all relevant strategic environmental issues and therefore, MEPA's Environmental Protection Directorate (EPD) did not have any specific comments at that stage. However, in view of the nature of the programme, EPD suggested that the SEA process should also take into account the territorial environmental differences within the EU, e.g. peripheral region and islands.