

# Learning about climate change adaptation through European cooperation projects

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## Research objective and scope

To produce generalizable insights on the outcomes as well as the combination(s) of condition(s) that lead to the outcomes

- ...of European cooperation projects with a focus on climate change adaptation in the water sector (cases)
  - ...by systemically comparing the process, outcomes and impacts of these projects from a multi-level learning perspective.
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- Theories of learning (social, transnational, organizational, policy...), policy change, pilot projects, and so on
  - Methods for Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA)
  - Intermediate number of cases, i.e. projects and partners in EU cooperation projects (INTERREG, FP7)

# My interests

- Themes:
  - (international) collaboration, knowledge transfer, learning
  - Water governance and management, climate change adaptation
- Questions
  - How to assess performance, success or effectiveness (for the process and outcomes)?
  - Why do certain partnerships, regions or countries perform better than others?
  - What can countries learn from each other, given their diverse governance and management contexts?
- Approach/methods
  - Transdisciplinary, in-depth but move beyond specific cases