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#### **SMART CIRCUIT**

## TRANSFORMING INDUSTRY THROUGH CIRCULAR STRATEGIES

### AIM

Advancing a circular economy in Central Europe hinges on the collaboration of

key stakeholders, including businesses, regional authorities, and business support organizations. The SMART CIRCUIT project unites a partnership of 12 partners from 9 countries, encompassing technology parks, universities, research institutions, and businesses. Together, they have conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness and integration of digital and technology-driven circular economy strategies across various manufacturing sectors in the region.



Assess Regional and National Policies

Facilitate Knowledge Transfer



Challenges

Promote Policy Integration and Adaptability

## TAKEAWAYS

- Effective local governance and policies are crucial for the success of circular economy strategies.
- Adaptability and contextual fit of policies to regional conditions enhance their effectiveness.
- Comprehensive regulations and robust financial support mechanisms are essential for better implementation of circular economy principles.

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Overall, thematic strategies, regulatory instruments, and information-based instruments generally show neutral development (rating 2) across all regions. This highlights a need for focused improvement, particularly in economic instruments and voluntary agreements.

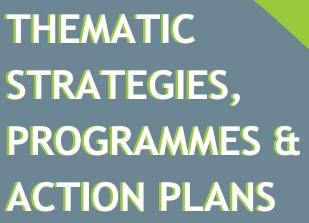
## REGULATORY INSTRUMENTS & STANDARDS

# ECONOMIC INSTRUMENTS

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