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- 2011: the Committee of Experts on Local and Regional Government Institutions and Cooperation elaborates a questionnaire directed to European CBC practitioners in preparation of the conference on “Removing obstacles and Promoting Good Practices on Cross-border Cooperation”. The results of the survey were published as a contribution to the 17th session of the Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Local and Regional Government (Kyiv, 2011)
- 2012: under the mandate of the Council of Europe, ISIG elaborates a first follow-up questionnaire to update and expand the data collected the year before.
- 2014: a second follow-up questionnaire is launched and the EDEN database further improved: by 2017, it contains 592 case studies from more than 40 European contributors.



# EDEN website: 2017 edition

EDEN is an online database of obstacles to and good practices for CBC designed by ISIG and supported by the Council of Europe.

It can be reached on the following web site: <http://cbc.isig.it/>.



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The main objectives of EDEN are:

- To serve practitioners and institutional actors by providing the CBC experiences and good practices developed by their colleagues in more than 20 European countries.
- To develop a network of knowledge that may evolve in networks of partners for project making across the Council of Europe Member States
- In order to do so, from September 2017 EDEN is hosted on an upgraded platform and benefits of new specific features to bring users a cleaner, more intuitive, and simpler approach to its content.



# The rationale

## 2012-2016

## 2017

# EDEN

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Click here to search through all the solutions in our database

**OBSTACLES**

Using the following form you can search through all the obstacles in our database:

**Obstacles**

All obstacles

**Country:**  
All countries

**Factors**

- All factors
- Administrative factors
- Cultural factors
- Economic factors
- Institutional factors
- Level of expertise of actors involved
- Readiness of actors involved to cooperate

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**Commissions bi-/trilatérales aux frontières françaises (France, Luxembourg, Allemagne, Suisse, Italie, Espagne, Brésil)**

Learn more about other CBC activities in the same field: Area of CBC activity Cooperation Institutionnelle Sector of CBC activity Please, briefly describe the CBC activity you wanted to pursue Commission intergouvernementale FR-LU (2010) Commission intergouvernementale FR-LU-DE (1986) Commission intergouvernementale FR-DE-CH (1975) Commission mixte consultative franco-génévoise (1973) Commission intergouvernementale de voisinage FR-IT (en sommeil)

**ISSUE**

**Mise en réseau des structures nationales d'appui à la coopération transfrontalière\_ MOT (France, Royaume-Uni, Belgique, Luxembourg, Allemagne, Suisse, Italie, Espagne, Andorre, Pays-Bas, Roumanie, Bulgarie)**

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- Administrative Cooperation
- Crisis Prevention
- Crisis Management
- Education and Training
- Environment
- Health
- Labour Market
- Mobility

Case Studies Area of CBC Search for Country

Popular Categories

Environment Health

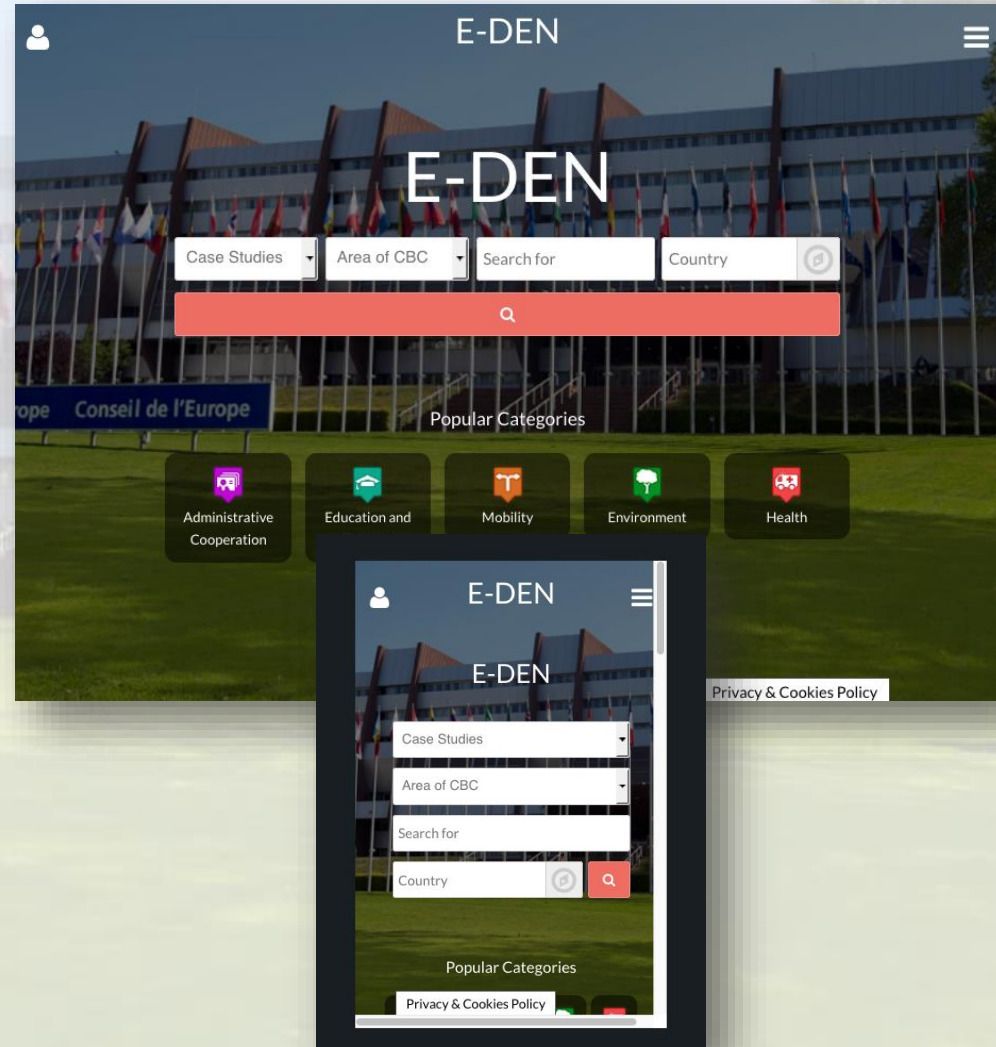
**Students and Workers Mobility between Denmark and Poland**

**EDUCATION**

Address: Slotsholmsgade 10  
Institution: Ministry of Interior and Health  
Contact Person: Jesper Lorenz Grødt, Head of Section, Ministry of the Interior and Health  
Year of record: 2012

## A new interactive tool, easy-to-access from all devices

EDEN 2017 has a specific **mobile-friendly design**, looking its best and conserving its new features on **computers, smartphones and tablets**







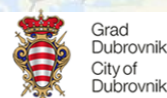
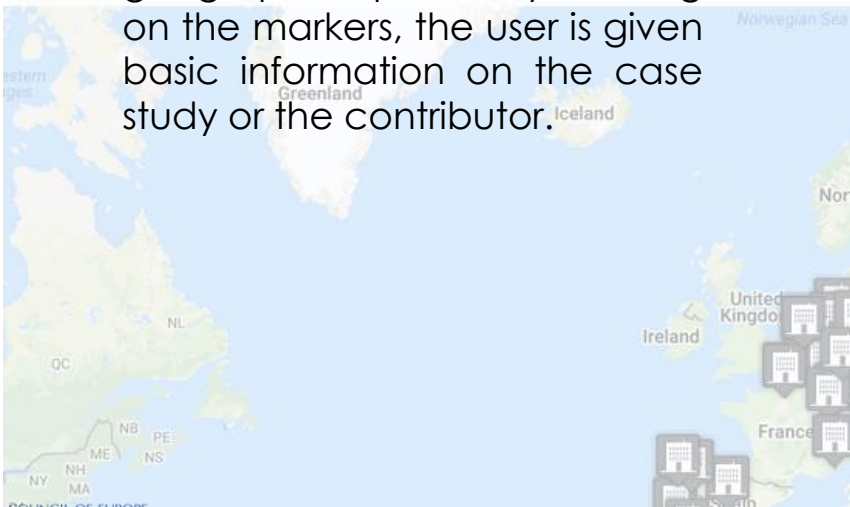
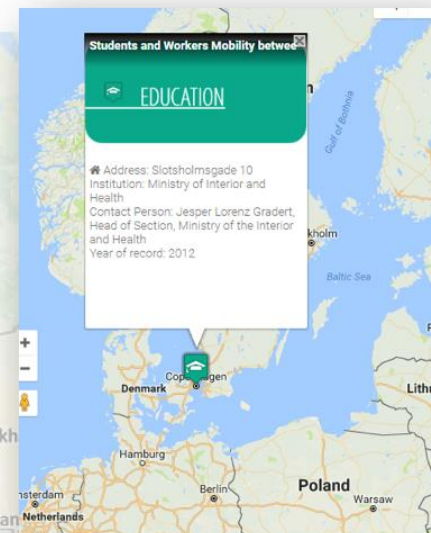


## Geo-localisation and intuitive thematic marking system

The second section of the HP brings the user directly on an interactive map where an intuitive marking system distinguish thematically the different case studies accessible in a specific geographic space. By clicking on the markers, the user is given basic information on the case study or the contributor.

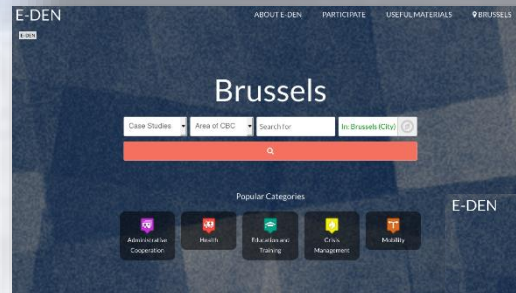
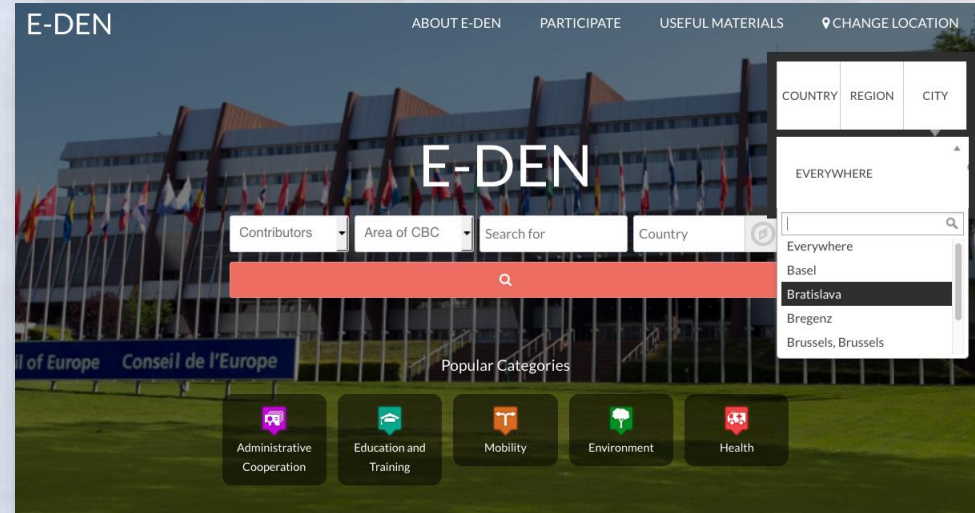


Learn more...



## In-depth focus on specific geographical areas

EDEN 2017 improved geo-localization system allows her to browse the data spatially through a specific Location Selection System (Country-Region-City) redirecting to a geographically-dedicated search interface.





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## Enhanced data organisation and accessibility

The information stored in EDEN 2017 are organized in case studies. For each case study, the user can easily access:

a brief description of the CBC issue at stake;

the obstacles faced by the actor during her action;

the solutions/good practices implemented to overcome them.

ABOUT E-DEN

PARTICIPATE

USEFUL MATERIALS

CHANGE LOCATION

Search Case Studies:

Case Studies Area of CBC Search for Country

View: List

The screenshot displays the EDEN website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'ABOUT E-DEN', 'PARTICIPATE', 'USEFUL MATERIALS', and 'CHANGE LOCATION'. Below this is a search bar with dropdown menus for 'Case Studies', 'Area of CBC', and 'Country'. A search button with a magnifying glass icon is also present. The main content area shows a list of case studies. One case study is highlighted with a purple 'COOPERATION' tag: 'Agreements between the Autonomous Community of Navarre and the French border area (Spain-France)'. Below this, there are three detailed case study cards:

- CBC in Labour market in the Øresund Region**: Copenhagen, Hovedstaden, Denmark. Includes a 'Labour Market' icon and a description: 'This CBC operation aimed at further improving cross-border labour mobility for employees and businesses in the Øresund Region (Copenhagen and Southern Sweden) (the city of Malmø).' It has tabs for 'Case Study Description', 'Map', 'Related Case Studies', 'Obstacles', and 'Solutions and Good Practices'.
- Cross-border journalistic activity (Switzerland-France-Germany)**: Basel, Basel City, Switzerland. Includes a 'Administrative Cooperation' icon and a description: 'Lack of specific cross-border programmes on communication and media.' It has tabs for 'Case Study Description', 'Map', 'Related Case Studies', 'Obstacles', 'Solutions and Good Practices', and 'Contributor(s)'.
- CBC Institutional Actors (France)**: Paris, Île-de-France, France. Includes a 'Administrative Cooperation' icon and a description: 'The Keller/Blanc report suggest some insights on how to improve governance on these issues. The inputs are being tested.' It has tabs for 'Case Study Description', 'Map', 'Related Case Studies', 'Obstacles', 'Solutions and Good Practices', and 'Contributor(s)'.

On the right side of the interface, there is a map showing the location of the case studies. Below the map, there are labels for 'Lithuania', 'Poland', and 'Belarus'. At the bottom right, there is a 'Satellite' view option.



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### Improved horizontal navigation an interconnection between case studies and contributors

From each case study pages, the user can easily access:

all the case studies uploaded by the same contributor

All the case studies of the same thematic area (i.e. mobility, education, etc.)

All the case studies pertaining to the same specific geographic area

The screenshot displays the EDEN 2017 website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'ABOUT E-DEN' and 'PARTICIPATION'. The main content area shows a case study titled 'Regional Cross-border Mobility (Switzerland-France-Germany)'. Below the title, there are navigation options: 'Case Study Description', 'Map', 'Related Case Studies', 'Obstacles', and 'Solutions and Good Practices'. A 'Contributor(s)' section lists 'Education and Training'. A 'COOPERATION' button is visible. A map shows the location in Basel, Switzerland. A list of related case studies is shown, including 'Working Group on Scholastic System and Professional Training (Upper Rhine Region)', 'Promotion of a scholastic textbook', and 'Development of students support (TriProCom)'. The date '25 May 2018 | Dubrovnik, Croatia' is at the bottom.



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## Upgraded networking possibilities

Search Contributors

Contributors  Area of CBC  Search for  Country

View: List

From each EDEN contributor page, the user may

Access to a concise but exhaustive description of the institution's goals, activity and specific CBC actions

Easily get in touch with the contact person to ask more informations or explore the possibility to develop a partnership or a network

Share all this information with a friend/colleague

ABOUT E-DEN PARTICIPATE USEFUL MATERIALS CHANGE LOCATION

### GNP-EGTC – European Grouping for Territorial Cooperation Galicia-Norte Portugal

Vigo, Pontevedra, Spain  
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Contributor

Contributor Profile

Map

Related Contributors

### State Chancellery of Rhineland-Palatinate

Mainz, Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany



Contributor

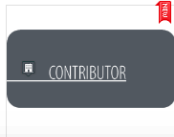
The European Grouping for Territorial Cooperation Galicia-Norte de Portugal (GNP-EGTC) is an agent and promoter of interconnection and cooperation among its members, at different levels, where its main concern is to promote the development of different areas of performance.

Contributor Profile

Map

Related Contributors

Input on Obstacles



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 The European Grouping [Read more \[...\]](#)

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Contributor



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# From questionnaire to data-collection tool

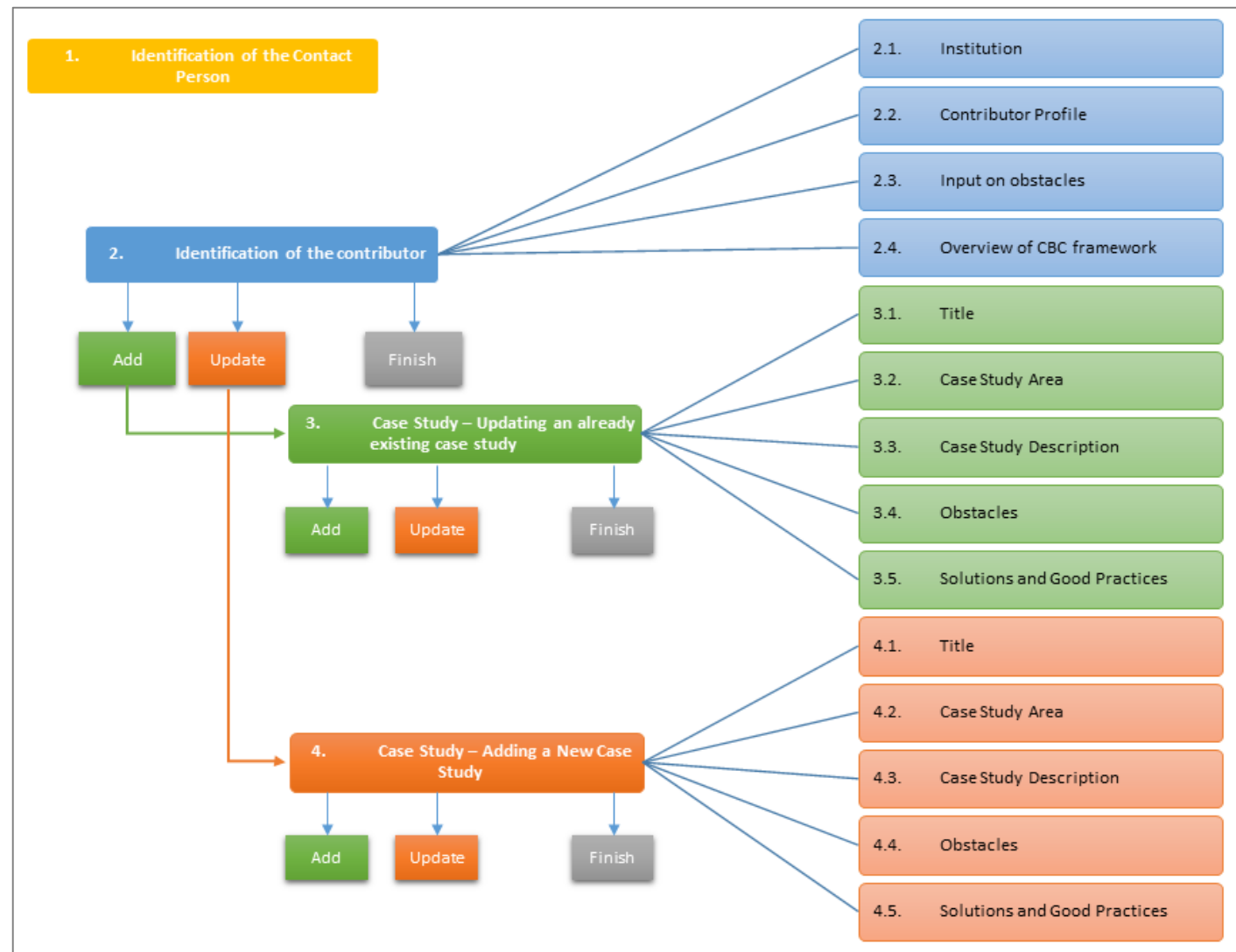
- In order to update EDEN 2017, ISIG designed a specific data-collection tool (DCT) allowing to improve the data quality and quantity, its organisation and consultation possibilities.
- DCT specific features:
- Improved quality and quantity of data through a new functional gathering structure.
- Enhanced data organisation through the systematic implementation of the case study format.
- further integration with the web platform, granting an easier input and consultation of the information.



## The DCT 2017 is a 4-tiers tool which allows for data gathering on contributors and CBC case studies.

### Sessions:

1. Contact person information.
2. Contributor's profile.
3. Update existing information on their CBC actions (if available)
4. New case studies (if available)





- The main target groups of the DCT 2017 are:
- the 48 institutions that already contributed to EDEN. The DCT will allow to update their previous CBC activities and add new actions.



- The main target groups of the DCT 2017 are:
- new contributors willing to participate to EDEN (following approval).
  - a) as a consequence of visibility strategies and communication plan implemented by ISIG
  - b) following the suggestion of existing contributors

