What is needed from the EU to foster (more) regional cooperation?

Successful examples for regional cooperation:
FURGY CLEAN Innovation DE-DK
Sustainable Energy Emmen-Haren DE-NL
IrRadiare - Portugal
Biogas 2020 NO-SE-DK

An increasing role for regions
How the EU could bring cooperation to another level

- Promote expertise and experience sharing:
  - An observatory for RE cooperation?
  - A database to share experiences?
  - An EU platform for best practices?

- Financial incentives
How the EU could help overcoming obstacles to regional cooperation

• Political obstacles:
  promote a positive political narrative
  foster cooperation in research and innovation
  encourage energy and green economy clusters

• Legislative and normative obstacles:
  need for leveling/balancing subsidy/taxation scheme differences
  ensure better transposition of directives
  urge MS to change legislation to end legislation conflicts

• Give possibility to regions for experimentation and find solutions at the local level: introduce the new legal tool proposed under the Luxembourg Presidency?