



Integrated urban actions
for fostering and financing
innovative economies and SMEs



Connecting cities
Building successes





Lazio Region

The Lazio Region is located in the centre of Italy, at the very heart of the Mediterranean trading corridor;

The Lazio Region ranks second in Italy for contribution to the national GDP, third for number of inhabitants and eight in terms of overall surface area.





Geographical Features

Total Land Size

17,207 Km² (6,644 SqMiles)

Land size by Province:

5,352 Km² (2,066 Sq.miles) **Roma**

3,612 Km² (1,395 Sq.miles) **Viterbo**

3,244 Km² (1,250 Sq.miles) **Frosinone**

2,749 Km² (1,061 Sq.miles) **Rieti**

2,251 Km² (869 Sq.miles) **Latina**

Tyrrhenian Coast

280 Km (174 Miles)



Demographical Features

Total Population

5.6 million

Population Density

323 ab./Km² (323 inhab./SqMile)

Population by Province:

4.0 million **Roma**

537,000 **Latina**

495,000 **Frosinone**

310,000 **Viterbo**

155,000 **Rieti**



Infrastructure and Universities

Among all the Italian regions, Lazio is one of the richest in

infrastructure

- two international airports,
- over 9,000 km of roads, including 470 km of motorways (7.2% of the national total),
- 1,250 km of railways (7.8% of the national total)
- 20 commercial and tourist ports.

and universities

13 higher-learning institutions, based mainly in Rome.



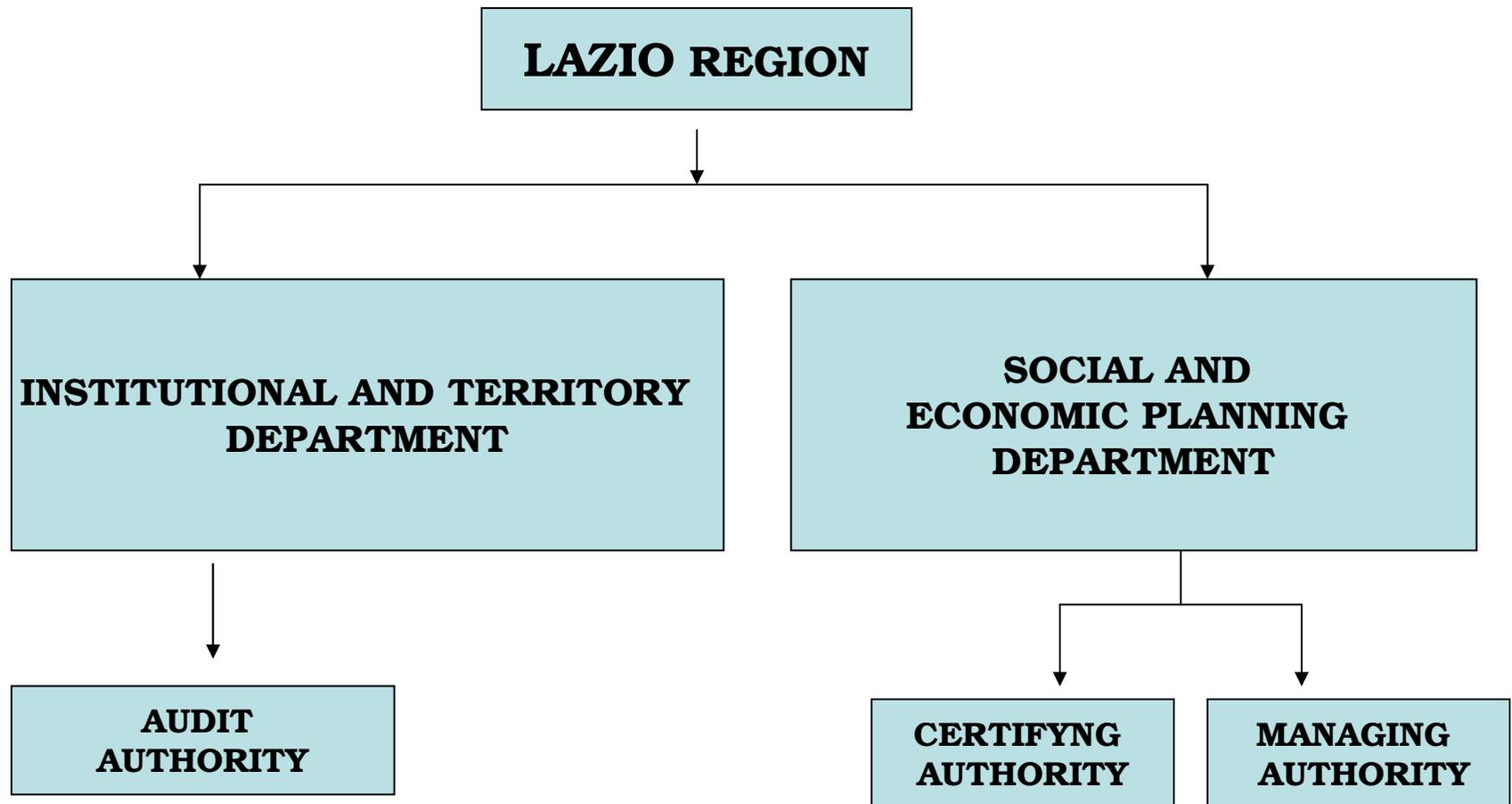
Research centres and Industrial districts

Lazio is home to most of Italy's public research institutes, where 7,800 researchers work (23% of the country's researchers).

One of the Lazio Region's major strength is represented by its network of industrial districts and local production systems.



LAZIO REGION MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEM

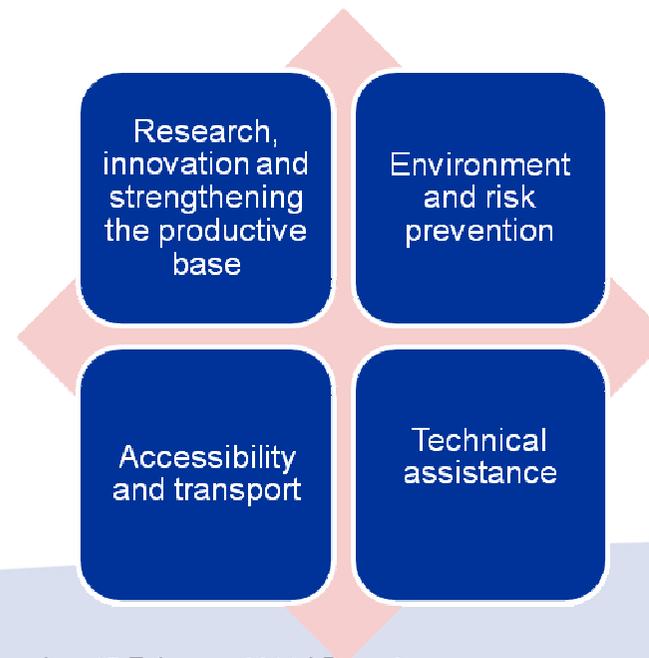




Lazio Region and EU programmes

Lazio Region manages EU structural funds (POR 2007/2013 “Competitività regionale e occupazione”) and is directly and indirectly involved in numerous European projects.

POR 2007/2013 has a budget of € 743,5 ml. and is based on 4 main issues:



Fin.Urb.Act

AN URBACT II PROJECT

City of Rome and Managing Authorities: a pathway to partnership



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Situation before Fin.Urb.Act.

- › **Communication difficulties**
- › **Rare cases of cooperation**
- › **Conflict of responsibilities**

City of Rome and Managing Authorities: a pathway to partnership

Reasons

difficulty for the Municipality of Rome to involve the Managing Authority

But also

difficulty for the Managing Authority to involve the Municipality of Rome

No dialogue

City of Rome and Managing Authorities: a pathway to partnership

Preparatory actions

- › **The City of Rome contacted the MA asking support for the 2 Urbact II projects: Active Age and Fin.Urb.Act;**
- › **MA signed two Letters of intent to support both projects**
- › **Since then, the two Institutions have started to work together on project's activities**

City of Rome and Managing Authorities: a pathway to partnership

An intense cooperation has been developed between City of Rome and MA on the subject of support to SMEs, with a focus on small business projects and self-employment;

The MA became a member of Fin.Urb.Act. Local Support Group, taking a proactive part in all the Fin.Urb.Act. meetings

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Fin.Urb.Act. follow up

Strong activity of communication:

- Periodical newsletters;
- Constant updating of the institutional website;
- Formative seminars;
- Thematic workshops;
- Conferences.

What after Fin.Urb.Act?

An application for funding the Rome LAP's activity is underway

The MA and the Municipality of Rome strongly want to cooperate on the subject of support SMEs and economic development.

Cities and Managing Authorities: a Pathway to Partnership

What should be done in the future?

Overcome administrative issues and find immediate solutions so that procedures do not become a barrier to action development

Involve the cities in the phase of preparation and drafting of the Planning's Document



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