

# EUKN Policy Lab

## “Cooperative public governance on EU priorities”

4 June 2024

10:00 – 14:30 CEST

Rotterdam

<b>Venue</b>	Room Mate Bruno Hotel, Wilhelminakade 52, Rotterdam (Room Bali)
<b>Co-Organisers</b>	Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations (MinBZK), The Netherlands and the European Urban Knowledge Network (EUKN)

The Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations (MinBZK) and the European Urban Knowledge Network (EUKN) cordially invite you to a Policy Lab on cooperative governance of urban issues in Europe.

In view of the new EU Commission period (2024-2029), all Dutch governmental levels - municipalities, provinces, water boards and national government - have been working together on an approach targeting the major transitions facing Europe and the Netherlands.

This unique cooperation has resulted in a joint ‘multi-level agenda on EU priorities 2024-2029’ (*interbestuurlijke agenda EU-prioriteiten 2024-2029*). The agenda identifies the European sub-areas on which the central and decentralised governments jointly want to focus during the coming mandate period of the European Commission. This choice is based on shared interests and intended synergies between central and decentralised governments.

The programme of the Policy Lab on June 4<sup>th</sup> includes presentations on the ‘Dutch approach’ and discussions with representatives of national, regional and local policymakers from the Netherlands and other countries on multi-level cooperation at the EU level.

After the morning plenary part (from 10:00 to 12:15 hrs) and a networking lunch, parallel sessions (from 13:15-14:30 hrs) will delve deeper into various aspects of cooperative governance in Europe.

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## Programme

10:00-10:30 **Walk in and registration**

10:30-10:50 **Welcome and setting the scene**

- Karen van Dantzig, Dutch Urban Envoy, MinBZK
- Martin Grisel, Director, EUKN
- Kristina Dimitrova, Directorate-General for Communication, European Parliament Liaison Office in the Netherlands, *Setting the scene on the relevance of cooperative governance in the light of the European elections on 6-9 June 2024*

10:50-11:30 **Cooperative public governance for the Dutch green, blue and digital transition in the new EU mandate**

- Jessie Post, Vereniging van Nederlandse Gemeenten (VNG) and Alexander van den Bosch, Interprovinciaal Overleg (IPO), *Showcase of Dutch ‘multi-level agenda on EU priorities 2024-2029’*

Discussion with the audience, moderated by Martin Grisel, Director, EUKN

11:30-12:15 **Panel discussion: Challenges and priorities of cooperative public governance**

- Alfredo Corbalan, Coordinator Unit International, Europe, Interregional, perspective.brussels
- Karen van Dantzig, Dutch Urban Envoy, Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations, the Netherlands
- Mendeltje van Keulen, Lector (professor of practice) European Impact, The Hague University of Applied Science
- Utku Küçükosmanoğlu, EU Representative, Metropolitan Area Amsterdam

Discussion with the audience, moderated by Martin Grisel, Director, EUKN

12:15-13:15 **Networking lunch**

13:15-14:15 **Breakout sessions ‘A systems’ view on Cooperative Public Governance on EU priorities’**

Following a Systems Thinking approach, the participants will split in smaller groups and unravel the challenges and opportunities of better regulation and implementation pressures, applied to the blue, green and digital transitions with the 3D mapping method.

14:15-14:30 **Wrap-up & closure**

- Karen van Dantzig, Dutch Urban Envoy, MinBZK
- Martin Grisel, Director, EUKN