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**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_PL\_21\_23)**

Bachtler, J., Mendez, C., Wishlade, F. & Ferry, M.

Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy (formerly Ministry of Investment and Economic Development Poland (Formerly Ministry of Infrastructure and Development Poland)

1/01/21 → 31/12/23

**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_PT\_22\_24)**

Bachtler, J. & Mendez, C.

Agency for Development and Cohesion (AGENCIA PARA O DESENVOLVIMENTO E COESAO)

1/01/22 → 31/12/24

**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_Portugal)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Mendez, C. & Wishlade, F.

Agency for Development and Cohesion (AGENCIA PARA O DESENVOLVIMENTO E COESAO)

1/01/19 → 31/12/21

**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_SE\_22\_24)**

Bachtler, J., Ferry, M. & Mendez, C.

Ministry of Enterprise & Innovation Sweden  
1/01/22 → 31/12/24

**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_Scotland)**  
Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Scottish Government  
1/01/21 → 31/12/23

**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_Sweden)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Vironen, H. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Enterprise & Innovation Sweden  
1/01/19 → 31/12/21

**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_Switzerland)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Kah, S. & Wishlade, F.  
State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, Switzerland  
1/01/19 → 31/12/21

**Regional Policy in Europe: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA\_UK)**  
Bachtler, J., Mendez, C. & Wishlade, F.  
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) formerly BIS  
1/01/19 → 31/12/21

**Regional Policy in the EU - A Comparative Assessment 01 Jan 06 - 31 Dec 08**  
Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs  
1/01/06 → 31/12/08

**Regional Policy in the EU and Norway: A Comparative Assessment**  
Wishlade, F., Bachtler, J. & Yuill, D.  
Ministry of Local Government & Regional Development, Norway  
1/12/06 → 30/11/09

**Regional Policy in the EU and Norway: A comparative study**  
Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of the Interior, Finland  
1/03/07 → 28/02/10

**Regional Policy in the EU: A Comparative Assessment**  
Yuill, D. & Bachtler, J.  
Thuringian Ministry of Economics, Technology and Labour  
1/10/05 → 30/09/08

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Austria)**  
Bachtler, J., Kah, S. & Wishlade, F.  
Federal Chancellery, Austria  
1/01/11 → 31/12/13

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Netherlands)**  
Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Economic Affairs (Netherlands)  
1/01/12 → 31/12/12

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment**  
Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Scottish Government

1/10/06 → 30/09/08

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment**

Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Scottish Government  
1/10/08 → 30/09/11

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EORPA)**

Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Davies, S.  
Federal Chancellery, Austria  
1/01/05 → 31/12/07

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Austria)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Kah, S. & Wishlade, F.  
Federal Chancellery, Austria  
1/01/16 → 31/12/16

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Austria)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Kah, S. & Wishlade, F.  
Federal Chancellery, Austria  
1/01/17 → 31/12/17

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Finland)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Vironen, H. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment (formerly Ministry of Employment and the Economy) (Finland)  
1/03/13 → 31/12/15

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Finland)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Vironen, H. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment (formerly Ministry of Employment and the Economy) (Finland)  
1/01/16 → 31/12/17

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA France)**

Bachtler, J., Gross, F. & Wishlade, F.  
Delegation for Territorial Development and Regional Attractiveness  
1/01/12 → 31/12/14

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Germany)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Economics, Construction and Tourism of the Land of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern  
1/10/11 → 31/12/14

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Germany)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S. & Wishlade, F.  
Lower Saxony Ministry of Economics, Labor, Transport and Digitisation (Germany)  
1/01/18 → 31/12/20

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Italy)**

Wishlade, F., Bachtler, J., Davies, S. & Polverari, L.  
Ministry of Economic Development Italy  
1/01/12 → 31/12/14

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Italy)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Polverari, L. & Wishlade, F.  
Agenzia per la Cosione Territoriale  
1/01/17 → 31/12/19

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Netherlands)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Van Der Zwet, A. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Economic Affairs (Netherlands)  
1/01/13 → 31/12/19

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Netherlands)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Economic Affairs (Netherlands)  
1/01/17 → 31/12/19

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Norway)**  
Wishlade, F., Bachtler, J. & Davies, S.  
Ministry of Local Government & Regional Development, Norway  
1/01/13 → 31/12/18

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Norway) / R130031-1**  
Wishlade, F., Bachtler, J. & Davies, S.  
Ministry of Local Government & Regional Development, Norway  
1/01/16 → 31/12/18

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Poland)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Ferry, M. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Regional Development, Poland  
1/11/11 → 31/10/17

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Portugal)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Mendez, C. & Wishlade, F.  
Agency for Development and Cohesion (AGENCIA PARA O DESENVOLVIMENTO E COESAO)  
1/01/16 → 31/12/18

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Scotland)**  
Bachtler, J., Ferry, M., Michie, R. & Wishlade, F.  
Scottish Government  
1/10/11 → 31/12/14

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Scotland)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Michie, R. & Wishlade, F.  
Scottish Government  
1/01/15 → 31/12/17

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Scotland)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Michie, R. & Wishlade, F.  
Scottish Government  
1/01/18 → 31/12/20

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Sweden)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Vironen, H. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Enterprise & Innovation Sweden  
1/01/16 → 31/12/18

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Switzerland)**  
Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Kah, S. & Wishlade, F.  
State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, Switzerland  
1/01/16 → 31/12/18

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Switzerland) / R130708-1**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Kah, S. & Wishlade, F.  
State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, Switzerland  
1/01/16 → 31/12/18

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA UK Eng.)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Ferry, M. & Wishlade, F.  
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) formerly BIS  
1/07/12 → 31/12/15

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA UK)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Michie, R. & Wishlade, F.  
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) formerly BIS  
1/01/16 → 31/12/18

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A comparative assessment 1 July 2006 - 30 June 2009 (Sweden)**

Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Swedish Ministry of Industry, Employment and Communication  
1/07/06 → 30/06/09

**Regional policy in the EU and Norway: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA France)**

Wishlade, F., Bachtler, J., Davies, S. & Lehuraux, T.  
CGET Commissariat General a L'egalite des Territoires  
1/01/15 → 31/12/17

**Regional policy in the EU and Norway: A Comparative Assessment (EoRPA Germany)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Science and Economics, Sachsen-Anhalt (Germany)  
1/01/15 → 31/12/17

**Regional policy in the European Union: A comparative assessment (EoRPA consortium) - Sweden**

Wishlade, F., Bachtler, J., Vironen, H. & Yuill, D.  
Ministry of Enterprise & Innovation Sweden  
1/07/09 → 30/06/12

**Regional policy in the European Union: A comparative assessment - Poland**

Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wishlade, F.  
Ministry of Regional Development, Poland  
1/09/06 → 31/10/08

**Research Cooperation with the Central Coordination Body, Slovakia**

Bachtler, J.  
StengL  
1/01/18 → 30/06/18

**Research Programme on the Administrative Capacity Building in Europe (EIBURS)**

Bachtler, J., De Francesco, F., Mendez, C. & Thomson, R.  
European Investment Bank  
5/05/14 → 4/05/17

**Review And Evaluation Of Simplification Measures In Cohesion Policy 2007-20013**

Bachtler, J. & Mendez, C.  
European Parliament  
26/04/10 → 31/07/10

**Review of the role of the EIB Group in European Cohesion policy**

Van Der Zwet, A., Bachtler, J., Michie, R., Wishlade, F. & Dozhdeva, V.  
European Parliament  
1/05/15 → 31/12/15

**Romania Regional Development RAS Program**

Bachtler, J., Ferry, M., Granqvist, K., Gross, F., Michie, R. & Polverari, L.  
World Bank Group (The)  
26/11/13 → 30/06/14

**TRACER: Smart strategies for the transition in coal intensive regions**

den Hoed, W., Michie, R., Bachtler, J. & Fonseca, L.  
1/04/19 → 30/09/22

**Solidarity**

Bachtler, J. & Ferry, M.  
European Commission - Other  
15/03/18 → 14/02/19

**Strategic Coherence of Cohesion Policy: Comparison of the 2007-13 and 2014-20 Prog. Period**

Kah, S., Bachtler, J. & Mendez, C.  
European Parliament  
11/07/14 → 31/05/15

**Strategic Management Reform "New Generation Lithuania" Plan**

Ferry, M., Bachtler, J. & Michie, R.  
Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania  
3/03/22 → 2/05/25

**Study on Municipal use of EU Cohesion Funds in response to COVID-19**

Bachtler, J., Ferry, M. & Kah, S.  
Stichting EPRC Delft  
19/09/20 → 31/01/21

**Study on the Agenda for Cohesion Policy in 2019-2024: Key issues for the REGI Committee**

Mendez, C. & Bachtler, J.  
European Parliament  
21/11/19 → 20/01/20

**Study on the Involvement of non-EU Member States on European Territorial Cooperation Programmes**

McMaster, I., Bachtler, J. & Kah, S.  
European Regional Development Fund ERDF  
17/10/16 → 31/12/16

**Study on the Renewal of the Territorial Agenda 2020+**

Bachtler, J., Ferry, M. & McMaster, I.  
Stichting EPRC Delft  
1/10/19 → 31/12/20

**Study on use & intended use of simplified cost options in ESF, ERDF, CF & EAFRD**

Polverari, L., Bachtler, J., Ferry, M. & Michie, R.  
European Commission - Other  
31/07/17 → 31/01/18



**Support for Regional Operational Programme 2014-20: Sustainable Urban Development**

Bachtler, J., Mendez, C. & Van Der Zwet, A.  
World Bank Group (The)  
25/05/15 → 30/09/15

**Sustainable Regional and Rural Development: Delivering Coherence and Added Value in Europe**

Bachtler, J. & Davies, S.  
Highlands & Islands Enterprise HIE  
13/11/07 → 31/05/08

**TA: Study on the use of technical assistance for administrative capacity building during the 2014-2020 period**

Bachtler, J., Polverari, L. & Vironen, H.  
European Commission - Other  
17/05/18 → 16/11/19

**THE EU BUDGET REVIEW, 2008-10: IMPLICATIONS AND POLICY OPTIONS FOR CYPRUS**

Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wislade, F.  
The Planning Bureau  
1/08/08 → 31/12/11

**TRACER: Smart strategies for the transition in coal intensive regions (H2020 SC3 LC)**

Bachtler, J., Davies, S., Ferry, M. & Michie, R.  
European Commission - Horizon 2020  
1/04/19 → 31/03/22

**Technical Assistance for the Development of a Regional Cohesion Policy**

Bachtler, J. & Mendez, C.  
CARICOM Development Fund  
20/03/17 → 8/09/17

**Territorial Strategies supported by EU Territorial Tools**

Bachtler, J., Ferry, M., Kah, S., McMaster, I. & Van Der Zwet, A.  
European Commission - Other  
8/12/15 → 31/05/17

**Territorial attractiveness and ERDF aid to enterprises: cultural, natural and tourism attractors**

Polverari, L., Bachtler, J., Ferry, M., Kah, S., Lehuraux, T., Van Der Zwet, A. & Vironen, H.  
Invitalia  
1/06/15 → 31/01/16

**The European Added Value of Cohesion Policy**

Bachtler, J., Wislade, F. & Yuill, D.

**The Impact of Cohesion Policy on EU Identification (COHESIFY) H2020 SC6 Europe in a Changing World**

Bachtler, J., Borz, G., Brandenburg, H., Ferry, M., McMaster, I., Mendez, C. & Van Der Zwet, A.  
European Commission - Horizon 2020  
1/02/16 → 30/04/18

**The Objective of Economic and Social Cohesion in the Economic Policies of Member States - (No2009.CE.16.0.AT.018/2009.C.E.16.CAT.014).**

Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Wislade, F.  
European Commission - DG Regional Policy  
19/12/09 → 19/10/10

**The Role of Cities in the Cohesion Policy 2014-2020**

Charles, D., Bachtler, J. & Miller, S.

Metis GmbH  
11/11/13 → 30/06/14

**The potential for regional policy instruments, 2007 - 2013, to contribute to the Lisbon and Gothenburg objectives for growth, jobs and sustainable development (LisGo)**

Bachtler, J. & Michie, R.  
EU THRU NORDREGIO  
1/12/07 → 30/09/08

**Thematic assessment of regional challenges**

Bachtler, J. & Yuill, D.  
EU  
1/08/08 → 31/01/09

**Update Of The Comparative Study On The Visions & Options For Cohesion Policy After 2013**

Bachtler, J., Mendez, C. & Wishlade, F.  
European Parliament  
1/01/12 → 29/02/12

**Visibility and Communication - European Cohesion Policy in Online Media**

Mendez, C. & Bachtler, J.  
European Parliament  
4/12/19 → 3/12/20

**WIND Contract**

Bachtler, J.  
Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Dept of Rights and Equal Opps, Italy  
1/10/06 → 31/12/07

**Awards**

**Regional Policy in the European Union: A Comparative Assessment (EORPA)**

Yuill, D., Bachtler, J. & Davies, S.  
Federal Chancellery, Austria: £55,189.00  
1/01/05 → 31/12/07

**Activities**

**Regional Studies Association (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Advisor)  
2016 → 2019

**Regional Studies Association (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Member)  
2009 → ...

**RSA International Conference**

John Bachtler (Organiser)  
2009 → 2010

**UHI Centre for Remote and Rural Studies, (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Member)  
2009 → ...

**Assembly of European Regions (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Advisor)  
Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**EU (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Advisor)  
Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Editorial Board Member, Zeitschrift für Politikberatung (Journal of Policy Advice), Germany, 2008-present**

John Bachtler (Editorial board member)  
Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Environment and Planning A (Journal)**

John Bachtler (Peer reviewer)  
Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Invited Expert Advisor to the Czech Government to support their EU Presidency (Jan-June 2009), including rapporteur role at International Regional Development Conference, Prague (March 2009) and facilitator at Informal Ministerial Meeting, Mariánské Lázně**

John Bachtler (Advisor)  
Jan 2008

**Invited presentations - Invited chair of English Regional Development Agency conference on the future of Structural Funds, London, November 2009**

John Bachtler (Contributor)  
Jan 2008

**Invited presentations - Scotland Europa (Scottish Enterprise), Glasgow, 2009**

John Bachtler (Contributor)  
Jan 2008

**Invited presentations -Ministry of Enterprise, Energy & Communications, Stockholm, Sweden, 2009**

John Bachtler (Contributor)  
Jan 2008

**Invited presentations-Federal Chancellery (STRAT.AT Policy Forum), Graz, Austria, 2009**

John Bachtler (Contributor)  
Jan 2008 → ...

**Invited presentations-Ministry of Employment and Economy, Helsinki & Tampere, Finland, 2009**

John Bachtler (Contributor)  
Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Journal of European Public Policy (Journal)**

John Bachtler (Peer reviewer)  
Jan 2008 → 2018

**Journal to be assigned (Journal)**

John Bachtler (Peer reviewer)  
Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Legal Review of the Mezzogiorno, Italy (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Member)  
Jan 2008 → ...

**Member of the Scientific Board of the Administration and Public Management Review, published by the Academy of Economic Studies from Bucharest, 2008**

John Bachtler (Editorial board member)

Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Regional Studies (Journal)**

John Bachtler (Peer reviewer)

Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Regional Studies Association International Conference 2009**

John Bachtler (Organiser)

Jan 2008

**Regional and Federal Studies (Journal)**

John Bachtler (Peer reviewer)

Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Scottish Parliament European & External Relations Committee (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Advisor)

Jan 2008

**Strathclyde European Partnership Ltd**

John Bachtler (Visiting researcher)

Jan 2008 → Dec 2013

**Regional Studies Association (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Member)

2008

**University of Kassel, Germany, (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Advisor)

2008

**Federal German Institute for Spatial Research, (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Member)

2006 → ...

**HEFCE (External organisation)**

John Bachtler (Member)

2005 → 2008