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1. **Programme Relevance:** Yes, our proposal is for the upcoming Interreg Europe 3rd call, and the University of Gävle is prepared to take on the coordination role if necessary.
2. **Programme Specific Objective:** Our project is aligned with "A Greener Europe," specifically targeting the objective of "Energy efficiency and reduction of greenhouse emissions."
3. **Territorial Context:** The general problem we aim to address is the need for enhanced sustainability in industrial practices within the EU member states. Our project activities, including the introduction of advanced monitoring technologies and collaborative frameworks, are designed to enhance transparency and community involvement in the IED process, making industrial practices more sustainable and ensuring environmental decisions are made with broader, more inclusive input.
4. **Partnership Requirements:** We are looking to collaborate with environmental policy experts, academic and research institutions, regional and municipal stakeholders, and industry associations and NGOs, all of whom bring essential competencies to our project.
5. **Current Interest:** The South-West Oltenia Regional Development Agency and INVITALIA have already shown interest in our proposal.
6. **Policy Instruments:** The key policy instruments generally dealing with the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) in EU member states include national and regional regulations and permits that control industrial emissions, as well as specific strategies and plans aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving energy efficiency in industrial sectors. These instruments are critical for ensuring compliance with the IED and achieving the sustainability goals of our project.

As member states navigate the complexities of environmental sustainability and industrial efficiency within the European Union, the role of collaborative efforts in shaping a greener future cannot be overstated. Our project aimed at optimizing the implementation of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) to foster sustainable industrial practices and enhance energy efficiency across member states.

**Project Overview:** this project, seeks to leverage cross-border cooperation to share best practices, develop innovative solutions, and harmonize policies related to the IED. By engaging stakeholders from various regions, we aim to create an approach that meets the requirements of environmental sustainability and paves the way for a more efficient industrial sector within the EU.

#### **Why Collaborate with Us?**

- **Expertise:** The University of Gävle brings together a multidisciplinary team of experts dedicated to environmental research and sustainable development.
- **Innovation:** Our project is committed to introducing cutting-edge solutions for energy efficiency and sustainable industrial operations.

- **Impact:** With a focus on transnational collaboration, the project promises a wide-reaching impact, setting new standards for IED implementation and sustainable practices.

**Call for Partnerships:** We are reaching out to invite potential project partners. Therefore, kindly request your assistance in disseminating this invitation to relevant departments and organizations within your network who might be interested in joining this initiative. Potential partners could include regional authorities, industry leaders, environmental NGOs, academic institutions, and innovative tech companies passionate about sustainable industrial development and environmental governance.

**The IED and Beyond:** Our project activities seeks to help member states by introducing advanced monitoring technologies and collaborative frameworks, enhancing transparency and community involvement in the IED process. By doing so, we aim to make industrial practices more sustainable and ensure that environmental decisions are made with broader, more inclusive input.