

Initiative for the Large Infrastructure Project (LIP) in SEFR Interreg 2021-2027 Programme
Submission deadline for the Managing Authority: 31 March 2021.

Title [preliminary working name]: Developing Vt 6 at Parikkala	Action location [country, region]: Finland, South-East Finland
Abstract [max. 500 words] <p>1) The key aim of the project: Specially facilitate transportation and heavy traffic conditions between Parikkala main junctions and improve local traffic safety and fluency. It is also highly likely that Parikkala BCP will transfer into international. That will increase traffic on Vt 6 and we should prepare for that.</p> <p>2) Cross-border impact: Currently, the traffic crossing Parikkala BCP from Russia is 90 percent heavy traffic. Developing this area will ease industrial transports.</p> <p>3) Expected sustainable and tangible results: More fluent traffic will cause less emissions. Project includes also ground water protection.</p> <p>Parikkala International border crossing point will become important logistics link between especially between Southeastern and Northwestern Finland and St Petersburg and Russia. It will increase the volume of cooperation and flows of goods, workforce and tourists across the border. With the development of international tourism in Lake Saimaa area, the border crossing point will enable development of larger international tourism destination area of Lake Ladoga and Lake Saimaa combined. This is particularly relevant because of the status of Lake Saimaa on the national tentative list for UNESCO world heritage site nomination.</p> <p>Parikkala International border crossing point will significantly increase private investments in both side of border in the area of development corridor zone in field of logistics, retail, manufacturing and tourism.</p>	
Relevant Policy Objective [X] <p>Smarter Europe [] Greener low-carbon Europe [x] More connected Europe [x]</p> <p>If proposed more than one or other, not listed, justify:</p>	
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Total Preliminary Budget [€]: 5 000 000	Preliminary duration [months]: 36