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## **Summary of the results**

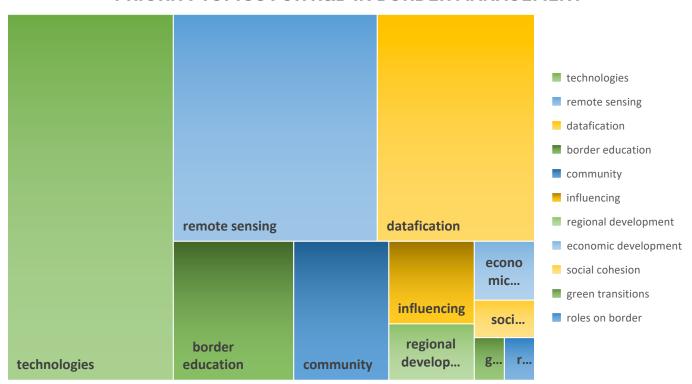
The meaning of the *border* is versatile, and *border security* requires wide scope of research and development activities in various border related fields.

The smart and innovative management of the eastern borders of the European Union demands more knowledge about the functioning, changes and interactions of various border related areas and various parties at the border. It is crucial to transfer knowledge into solutions and tools that can be used in everyday work. New knowledge and the transfer of knowledge depend on well-functioning cooperation between agencies, policy makers, the business sector, and educational and research institutions.

## Priority research topics are technology, remote sensing, datafication, as well as border education and communities.

As an example, the final results of <u>the DMDLBVEC project</u>, presented by the EASS and supported by Frontex, demonstrated the versatile possibilities of drones in border management. According to the survey of the participants, research development activities are primarily necessary in the field of technology, remote sensing, datafication, but also border education, communities and influence activities are topics that need attention:

## PRIORITY TOPICS FOR R&D IN BORDER MANAGEMENT



The cooperation in order to enhance research and development activities necessary for border management and security must be systematic.

Close communication and joint activities of policymakers, agencies, private companies, educational and research institutions are necessary.

Regional cooperation should strengthen joint initiatives on the eastern borders at the international level.

EASS will continue working on advancing cooperation, our contacts are:

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