

JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE

under Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme

Written procedure No. 33, initiated on 25 September 2019

- 1. Description:** The Written procedure for approval of modification of the Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme 2014-2020 in view of budget reallocation between priority axes, over-contracting and financing of projects from the reserves lists under the Second Call for Proposals was initiated by the Co-chairperson of the Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) from Bulgarian side on 25.09.2019.
- The Managing Authority, together with the National Authority, executed an in-depth analysis of the current status of Programme implementation with a view to the achievement of all Output indicators (OIs) and the need to ensure full absorption of the funds in advance, according to the N+3 rule. Since the Programme was allocating all of its remaining funding in the Second Call for Proposals, fulfillment of all targets for the underachieved OIs will be essential for assessment of the Programme's overall performance. Hence, the Managing bodies made sure that all levels of OIs are reached by making a separate ranking of project proposals under each OI in accordance with the Guidelines for Applicants and contracted as many projects from each separate ranking list as necessary for securing the set OI target.
- The official letter No. 99-00-2-442/24.09.2019 with the proposed amendment was sent to the JMC members via the Management Information System of the Programme, for review and approval.
- The JMC members were given 5 working days to send their approval or comments on the proposal. No remarks were received within the set deadline.
- 2. Decisions:** JMC approves amendment of modification of the Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme 2014-2020 in view of budget reallocation between priority axes, over-contracting and financing of projects from the reserves lists under the Second Call for Proposals under Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme 2014-2020.
- The hereby Decision enters into force on 02 October 2019 - the date following the deadline for submission of objections / additional proposals from the JMC members.
- 3. Attachments:**
1. Analysis on the absorption of funds and achievement of the Output Indicators under the INTERREG-IPA Cross-border Programme Bulgaria-Serbia 2014-2020;
 2. General ranking per PAs;
 3. List of projects from the reserves lists to be proposed for financing;
 4. Revised Draft Programme document.

Signatures:
for BULGARIA:



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