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SMALL-SCALE PROJECTS + Q&A SESSIONS WEBINAR

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 INNOVATIVE

 SUSTAINABLE

 ATTRACTIVE

 ACTIVE

1st Small-scale projects call for proposals

4 383 290,40 EUR

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4 383 290,40 EUR / 160 000,00 EUR*

= 27

* Max project budget is up to 200 000,00 EUR; 80% is ERDF

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Terms of Reference



Baltic Programme 2021-2027 ToR of the 1st Small-scale projects

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INTERREG South Baltic Programme 2021-2027 ToR of the 1st Small-scale projects

INFORMATION

rogramme 2021-2027 (hereinafter – "Programme") opens the 1st Small-scale projects with an aim to address particular needs, and challenges in the South by the Programme through the cross-border cooperation and collaboration partners.

ed to fulfill defined needs, suggest relevant solutions, but also form and test piloting not only the partners experienced in the Programme, with relevant expertise and skills, but also small, newcomer organizations, NGOs, and local authorities.

1 facility is seen to serve as a "training platform" or a first step for the project selection of project proposals of higher complexity, more significant impact, and for regular calls for proposals.

SMALL-SCALE PROJECT

1st Small-scale project facility covers all Priority Axes and Programme Small-scale facility, the Programme aims to ensure a more inclusive and diverse environment, building new partnerships to build capacities and develop cross-border cooperation. It is expected to contribute to the objectives of the Programme in the following ways:

- ive South Baltic
 - eature 1.1 Digitalising the region
 - eature 1.2 Building connectivity of the region through internationalisation
- able South Baltic
 - eature 2.1 Supporting transition towards green energy
 - eature 2.2 Promoting sustainable use of water
 - eature 2.3 Supporting a circular and more resource efficient development
- ive South Baltic
 - eature 3.1 Developing sustainable, resilient, and innovative tourism
- South Baltic
 - eature 4.1 Strengthen the cooperation capacity of actors based within the region (including civil society)

THEMATIC FOCUS

PRIORITY 1 - Innovative South Baltic

- Programme Measure 1.1 Digitalising the region
- Programme Measure 1.2 Building connectivity of the region through internationalisation

PRIORITY 2 - Sustainable South Baltic

- Programme Measure 2.1 Supporting transition towards green energy
- Programme Measure 2.2 Promoting sustainable use of water
- Programme Measure 2.3 Supporting a circular and more resource efficient development

PRIORITY 3 - Attractive South Baltic

- Programme Measure 3.1 Developing sustainable, resilient, and innovative tourism

PRIORITY 4 - Active South Baltic

- Programme Measure 4.1 Strengthen the cooperation capacity of actors based within the South Baltic Area (including civil society)

Indicators:

Only obligatory output and result **indicators** must be addressed!

ANNEX 7 Indicator factsheet

FINANCIAL DISTRIBUTION

Distribution of funds between Measures

Programme Measure 1.1	613 660,70 EUR
Programme Measure 1.2	262 997,40 EUR
Programme Measure 2.1	788 992,30 EUR
Programme Measure 2.2	690 368,20 EUR
Programme Measure 2.3	493 120,15 EUR
Programme Measure 3.1	1 095 822,60 EUR
Programme Measure 4.1	438 329,05 EUR
TOTAL	4 383 290,40 EUR

Allocation:

Financial distribution **syncs up** the allocation for each Programme Measure

PARTNERSHIP

In each project:

1. Minimum: at least 2 **eligible** partners from the Programme Area from 2 different Member States
2. Partners from the outside the Programme Area (but within the EU) can join with a justification!
3. NGOs, small and not experienced organisations, new entrants into the Interreg cooperation **are welcomed** utmost!
4. Recommended size: 4-6 partners

Novelty:

SMEs are **not eligible** (can be APs!)

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Olsztyński sub-region of the warmińsko-mazurskie region of Poland is a part of the Programme area!



FINANCIAL SCHEME

Costs in the project

1. Staff costs = Real costs
2. Other costs = 40% of Real costs
3. Cost categories (40%)
 - Office and Administration
 - Travel and Accommodation
 - External expertise and services
 - Equipment
 - Infrastructure and works
5. No preparation and no closure costs

Max project budget:

Project budget =
Real costs+40%*Real costs

Up to **200 000,00 EUR**

ERDF – **80%**

Co-financing – **20%**

DURATION

Up to **18 months**

Prolongation:

Possible, **but** with a strong justification!

CONTENT

Only 1 Work package:

- Management activities
- Content-related activities
- Lead to delivery of obligatory output(s)

Identified with:

1. Start and end dates
2. Duration
3. Up to **3 deliverables**
4. Up to **10 activities**
5. Implementation periods (by **6 months**)

WORKPLAN						
Project start date						
Project end date						
Duration (months)		The maximum duration of the project is 18 months				
Activity/Deliverable number	Brief description of the activity/deliverable	2024	2024	2025	2025	2026
		reporting period	reporting period	reporting period	reporting period	reporting period
		Jan-Jun	Jul-Dec	Jan-Jun	Jul-Dec	Jan-Jun
WORK PACKAGE						
Deliverable 1		Value after the project				
Deliverable 2		Value after the project				
Deliverable 3		Value after the project				
Activity 1	Management and coordination					
Activity 2						
Activity 3						
Activity 4						
Activity 5						
Activity 6						
Activity 7						
Activity 8						
Activity 9						
Activity 10						

ASSESSMENT

Three-stage assessment

- Admissibility and eligibility check
- Quality assessment
- State aid assessment

Private partners:

Verification of financial, operational and administrative capacities!

ANNEX 6 Project selection process and criteria

REPORTING

- **EACH PROJECT PARTNER MUST PREPARE REPORTS FOR THEIR ACTIVITIES!**
- Reports for each 6 months period, e.g., 18 months – 3 reports
- Joint report **is not** checked by FLC

Reporting steps

1. Each partner reports their activities/ expenditures
2. Each relevant FLC checks
3. LP consolidates approved reports into one report
4. JS checks the joint report

FIRST LEVEL CONTROL

Poland and Sweden

- Centralised FLC: **free** of charge

Denmark, Germany, and Lithuania

- Decentralised FLC: procurement procedure
- Decentralised FLC: to **plan** expenditures in the **budget**

First Level Controller (FLC)

1. **Centralised system:** state structure; appointed for the Programme/ projects
2. **Decentralised system:** auditors to be procured from the market; chosen by partners themselves

COMMUNICATION

- Photos
- Video-/audio file
- Success story (*a written interview or short video-recorded interview (minimum 2 min)*)
- Inform the JS (to promote further!)
- Use the Programme logo



Obligation:

To follow the communication provisions of the Interreg Regulation.

If not followed, the funding can be reduced by max 2%! (for PP)

1st Small-scale projects call for proposals

Timeframe	Date
Call announcement	22 February 2024
Deadline for submission of proposals*	21 March 2024, 4.00 p.m. CET
Assessment	22 March – 13 June 2024
Decision of the MC	27 June 2024
Conclusion of Subsidy Contracts	July - September 2024

* Proposals are submitted via the WOD electronic system

CALL EVENTS

- Partner Search Webinar
- Individual consultations

Note:

1. **Webinar** – 27 February;
registration till 23
February
2. **Consultations** online:
 - 5-7 March
 - 12-14 March

USEFUL LINKS

- [Programme website](#)
- [Terms of Reference](#)
- [WOD application system](#)
- [Programme Manual](#)
- [Programme Document](#)

Note:

Lead partner

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**Lead applicant in the
WOD2021!**



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Thank you!

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