

COVID-19 Call - Welcome!

Webinar for applicants 28 May 2020

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Agenda

- **Call focus**
- **Key documents, priority axis**
- **Application form & budget**
- **View of the application in eMS**
- **Eligibility and selection criteria**

- **Q&A**
- **Post-event: state aid (optional)**



Call focus

The Interreg Euregio Meuse-Rhine programme supports cross-border initiatives fostering crisis response capacities in the context of the COVID-19 outbreak in the sectors of health, public safety and security services, public administrative management as well as social services.

Call specificities

- Short submission and selection period
- Simplified application, submission only in English possible
- Short project duration (12 months)
- High support rate (90%)
- Total budget available for the call: EUR 4,163,850

Calendar

- **26 May** opening of call in eMS online system
- **4-8 June, 16:00** submission window
- **8 June 16:00** call closure

- **24 June** decision on approval at MC meeting



**Key documents,
priority axis & duration**

Application package

1. Official call regulation 'Detailed subsidy rules'
2. Guidance document
3. Templates (for reference only)
 - a) Application form
 - b) Budget
4. Annexes to the application form (can be submitted after call closure)
 - a) Partnership agreement
 - b) Legal status template

Available on www.interregemr.eu/downloads-en

Priority axis

Projects can be submitted under...

- Axis 1/Innovation
- Axis 3/Social inclusion and training
- Axis 4/Territorial development

Priority axis 2 is not open for the COVID-19 call (consider call 6)

Project duration & eligibility period

- Project duration 12 months or less
- Possible prolongation 6 months
- Latest possible end date: 31-12-2021 (including a max. prolongation of 6 months)
- Earliest date activities to be supported: 01-03-2020

Eligibility and selection criteria



Eligibility criteria

- ✓ The project constitutes a cooperative that consist **of at least two legal persons from two different member states** from the programme area.
- ✓ Activities must have a clear **link with the COVID-19** outbreak in following **sectors**:
 - Health
 - Public safety
 - Public security services
 - Public administrative management
 - Social services
- ✓ Activities have not started before 1 March 2020
- ✓ The application has been submitted before the submission **deadline**.



Selection criteria

- Rating scale from 1 (insufficient) to 5 (strong)
- Projects must reach a minium score of 3 under each criterion
- Projects will be selected based on ranking

Selection criteria

Quality of the partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do the organisations have the necessary expertise for the activities described ? If one organisation acts as coordinating body: does it have the administrative capacity to perform this role?
Cross-border dimension of activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The activities cover the needs or problems with regard to the COVID crisis in at least 2 member states. The activities/measures/tools of the project will benefit a large number of citizens and/or organisations in the programme area. How intensively will partners cooperate to deliver the change envisaged?
Feasibility of the project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has the consortium presented a realistic project that can be implemented within the limits in terms of funding and time?

Application form and budget



Application form

- Simplified application form
- Main sections to be filled in:
 - Summary
 - Partners (+possibility to add associated partners)
 - Work plan (no special WP for management, com or FLC) > focus on deliverables and partner roles
 - Budget (use of lump sums!)
- No attachments necessary for submission deadline



Budget

- Total amount available for the call: EUR 4,163,850
- 90% ERDF co-financing
- Additional (regional/national) co-financing can be requested

Lump sums

- Budget to be build on **lump sums**. Only in exceptional cases use of real costs/flat rates (justify in the application).
- Lump sums must be linked to the a **deliverable** (indicate name/reference of deliverable in the budget (field 'sub-budget line'). Details on the lump sum in comments fields of budget item.
 - At the start of the project the lump sum approach will be determined with the programme.
 - The programme will pay out the lump sum when the deliverable is achieved/fulfilled and reported in project report

More information?



More information?

- www.interregemr.eu > downloads section
- No time? Project doesn't fully fit in Covid-19 call? Have a look at our standard Call 6!



Thank you for your attention!