







# 2nd Call for Proposal Main features

4th MC meeting

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Osijek, Croatia



Priority axis (PA)	Specific objective (SO)
 <p><b>1. Cooperating for smarter programme area</b></p>	<p>1.1. Developing and enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies</p>
 <p><b>2. Cooperating for greener and climate change resilient programme area</b></p>	<p>2.2. Promoting renewable energy in accordance with Renewable Energy Directive (EU) 2018/2001, including the sustainability criteria set out therein</p>
 <p><b>3. Cooperating for healthier and more inclusive programme area</b></p>	<p>4.5. Ensuring equal access to health care and fostering resilience of health systems, including primary care, and promoting the transition from institutional to family-based and community-based care</p>
 <p><b>4. Cooperating for more sustainable and socially innovative tourism and culture</b></p>	<p>4.6 Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation</p>

# Call requirements

The EU funding allocated for the 2nd CfP is broken down per SO as follows:

SO	Available EU budget for Standard projects (EUR)
1.1	3,630,000.00
2.2	2,200,000.00
4.5	2,560,000.00
4.6	3,080,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,470,000.00</b>

# Call requirements

- The EU (Programme) co-financing rate is maximum 85% of the total eligible expenditures of the project. Each partner is a financing partner and must ensure at least 15% of co-financing of its part of the project budget.
- **Each partner shall have a budget of at least 10% of the total project budget.**
- Any grant requested under this CfP **must fall between the following minimum and maximum percentages (%)** of total eligible expenditures of the project: **minimum 50%** of the total eligible expenditures of the project and **maximum 85%** of the total eligible expenditures of the project.

# Budget size of the projects

	Standard projects	
SO	Minimum grant (EUR)	Maximum grant (EUR)
1.1.	400,000	800,000
2.2.	400,000	1,1 mil.
4.5.	400,000	800,000
4.6.	400,000	800,000

# Duration of the projects

The duration of the projects must fall within the following ranges depending on the project type:

Type of project	Duration of project
Standard	From 18 to 24 months

# Eligibility of applicants/partners

In order to be eligible for a grant, the applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

- be a **legal person established** under the national law in the respecting participating country (Croatia and/or Serbia) and registered at least 12 months prior to the deadline for the submission of applications;
- be **non-profit making**;
- be **directly responsible** for the preparation and management of the proposed project activities both from a professional and financial point of view and must not act as intermediaries.



# Eligibility of applicants/partners

In general, the following organisations are eligible to apply for the EU contribution allocated to the Programme:

1. **National, regional and local public bodies**
2. **Bodies governed by public law** as defined in point (4) of article 2(1) of Directive 2014/24/EU on public procurement, meaning **organizations established for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest**, not having an industrial or commercial character, having legal personality, and – which are either - **financed, for the most part, by the state, regional or local authorities or by other bodies governed by public law**; or - **subject to management supervision by those bodies**; or - have an administrative managerial or supervisory board, with at least half of the members appointed by the state, regional or local authorities or by other bodies governed by public law;



# Eligibility of applicants/partners

**3. Non-profit organizations governed by private law, established for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest, not having an industrial or commercial character which have an **annual income** for the **two last closed financial years (cumulatively)** in amount at least equal to amount of grant requested (grant size of specific partner, not total project).**

# Partnership requirements

- All organizations, participating under 2nd CfP, are called **partners**.
- For each application a “**Lead Partner**” (LP) must be **appointed among the Project Partners** prior to the submission of the application
- Partnership must consist of at least two (2) partners from **different participating countries** (Croatia and Serbia)
- The maximum number of partners in application is **five (5)** including the Lead Partner

# Eligible cost categories

1. Staff costs,
2. Office and administrative costs,
3. Travel and accommodation costs,
4. External expertise and services costs,
5. Equipment costs,
6. Costs for infrastructure and works.

# Use of simplified cost options

Option 1		Option 2	
Cost category	Form of reimbursement	Cost category	Form of reimbursement
Staff costs	up to 20 % flat rate of direct costs (real costs)	Staff costs	Real costs
Office and administrative costs	up to 15 % flat rate of staff costs	Other costs	up to 40 % flat rate of staff costs for all other costs
Travel and accommodation costs	up to 15% flat rate of staff costs		
External expertise and services costs	Real costs		
Equipment costs	Real costs		
Costs of infrastructure and works	Real costs		

# Preparatory and closure costs / Advance payment

- The lump for the preparatory and contracting cost amounts to **EUR 5,500.00**, the total cost for the preparation and contracting.
- The lump sum for the closure costs amounts to **EUR 2,500.00**.
- Based on the Subsidy Contract concluded between the LP and the MA, the LP is entitled to receive an advance payment, on behalf of the partnership, in an amount of maximum **25% from the total cost** of the project.

# The content of Application Package:

Guidelines for Applicants (GfA) and the following annexes:

- 1. Template of the Lead Partner Statement
- 2. Template of the Project Partner Statement
- 3. Template of the Partnership Pre-Agreement
- 4. Model of the Subsidy Contract
- 5. Model of the Partnership Agreement

**Applications MUST be filled in and submitted only through the online submission system – Jems. Applications shall be filled in accordance with Application Manual: instructions how to fill in the application (including budget) and submitted in accordance with the GfA.**



# How to apply

- Deadline – 20 February 2025 at 15:00 h
- Information days related to 2nd CfP will be held in Croatia and Serbia.
- Questions related to 2nd CfP - [js-hr-rs@mrrfeu.hr](mailto:js-hr-rs@mrrfeu.hr)
- Questions and answers will be published and updated regularly on the Programme website.

# Assessment and selection process

- For 2nd CfP, the MC will set up Steering Committee (SC) acting under its responsibility for the selection of operations.
- The assessment process will be conducted in two steps:
  1. **Admissibility and eligibility check** – done by JS based on checklist
  2. **Quality assessment** – done by the assessment team (2 assessors)

under the responsibility of the SC

# Assessment and selection process

1. **Strategic criteria – GO/NO GO**
2. **Operational criteria** - The main aim is to assess the viability and the feasibility of the proposed project, as well as its value for money in terms of resources used versus results delivered.

# Indicative timetable

INDICATIVE TIMETABLE FOR 2 <sup>ND</sup> CALL FOR PROPOSALS		
Open Call for Proposals	DATE	TIME
Information sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Croatia</li> <li>▪ Serbia</li> </ul>	Published at: <a href="http://www.interreg-croatia-serbia.eu">www.interreg-croatia-serbia.eu</a>	
Deadline for requesting any clarifications (questions) related to 2 <sup>nd</sup> CfP	<b>10 February 2025</b>	
Deadline for publication of Q&A document on Programme web site	Regularly until closure of the CfP	
Deadline for submission of application via Jems	<b>20 February 2025</b>	<b>15:00 h</b>
Information to Lead Applicants (only to unsuccessful) on the fulfilment of admissibility and eligibility criteria (step 1)	April/May 2025	
Information to Lead Applicants on the results of assessment process/MC decision on selection/rejection	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2025	
Pre-contracting and contracting phase	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2025/1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2026	

# Thank you for your attention!

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