

Monitoring Committee (MC) decision no. 18

Interreg VI-A IPA Programme Croatia – Serbia 2021-2027

Date:	26 August 2025

Subject:

Approval of major change of total budget within the project HR-RS00073 INNATUS

Direct consideration and adoption by MC	
Written consideration and adoption by MC	X

Comments:

Following the 14th Monitoring Committee (MC) written procedure, launched on 11 August 2025 and closed on 26 August 2025, and in line with Article 5(9) and Article 3(6) of the MC Rules of Procedure, the MC approved the proposed major change to the total budget of project HR-RS00073 INNATUS, without any additional comments from national delegations.

The rationale for this contractual amendment stems from unforeseen and significant increases in market prices for infrastructure investments. As a result, the originally planned budget proved insufficient for the Lead Partner (LP) to cover the costs following the completion of the procurement procedure. Since the construction of the Creative Children's Centre in Ernestinovo represents one of the main project outputs (contributing to the Programme Output Indicator "Number of cultural and tourism sites supported"), the shortfall risked jeopardizing both the overall project implementation and the Programme's performance against this indicator.

To address this, the LP proposed an increase in its own co-financing of the project in a manner that does not place additional strain on the local budget. This will be achieved, for example, through applications to external funding schemes that support the co-financing of projects at the regional and local level, thereby significantly reducing the financial burden on municipal resources.

As a result of this change, the total budget of the project increases from EUR 3,077,933.31 to EUR 3,791,039.81. However, the Programme contribution (the EU share of EUR 1,499,629.50) remains unchanged, as does the budget of Project Partner 2 (the National Council of the Croatian National Minority in Serbia).

The Managing Authority (MA) will now proceed with the signature of the Addendum to the Subsidy Contract in order to formalize this budget change.

Signed by:

On behalf of the Managing Authority
Acting Director - General

STELLA ARNERI

