



2nd Monitoring Committee Meeting of the Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021-2027 | I**Minutes****2nd Meeting of the Monitoring Committee (MC)
of the Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021-2027**

21-22 June 2023 | Hotel Comwell Køge Strand |
Strandvejen 111 | 4600 Køge | Denmark

Chairperson: Mr. Niels Bjerring Hansen,
Danish Business Authority, Ministry of Industry, Business and Financial Affairs, Denmark

DAY 1, 21 June 2023**Item 1. Words of welcome & Opening of the meeting**

The meeting was officially opened by the Chairperson Mr. Niels Bjerring Hansen. MC members and JS staff were introduced.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda (D)

The Monitoring Committee members approved the agenda as proposed, without changes.

Item 3. Signing of impartiality and confidentiality declarations by the MC

The MC members were asked to declare their partiality to project proposals subject to selection and sign the impartiality declarations.

Item 4. Programme Manual (D)

The amendments to the Programme Manual were presented and accepted with 1 change:

- Ch. III, 3.7 – added note related to project partners located in Programme's Member States but outside the Programme area was not approved.

European Commission provided a comment to check the logo of the Programme, because in the current shape it is not in line with the CPR and Interreg regulations.

European Commission confirmed that the voluntary work is eligible but only as in-kind contribution (not under the "Staff costs" cost category). Therefore, updates to the Programme Manual regarding voluntary work's eligibility for the 1st call projects were introduced respectively.

Item 5. Selection of projects submitted under the 1st call for proposals (D)

The Monitoring Committee selected for funding the following projects with further conditions, clarifications, and/or recommendations included in the consolidated project assessments sheets:

Programme Measure 1.1: T.A.B, CONSIDERATION, AMBeR

Programme Measure 1.2: BBU

Programme Measure 2.1: DigiTechPort2030, BIOSOLFarm

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Programme Measure 2.2: LIMIT

Programme Measure 2.3: AquaLoop, ECONUT, COP, RELOOPED

Programme Measure 3.1: n/a

Programme Measure 4.1: n/a

Additional conditions, clarifications and/or recommendations were introduced by the MC to the above projects.

At the same time the Monitoring Committee decided not to select the following projects:

Programme Measure 1.1: INCONE60 Green, #StayCyberSafe, DIGI4US

Programme Measure 1.2: n/a

Programme Measure 2.1: GREENLAB, SOVtBAL

Programme Measure 2.2: WaterProof, BALTWRECK, Clean Water

Programme Measure 2.3: Climate neutral SME, CSB, CATAPULT, PAYASYOUTHROW, Value_H

Programme Measure 3.1: Active For All, ReTour, SB Nudging, SB MANTA, MariEx

Programme Measure 4.1: ItMatters, D-EFFECT

Operations of the Strategic Importance approach was presented. OSI status was granted to LIMIT project and recommended to COP project.

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Item 6. Confirmation on Projects Partners eligibility (I)

The criteria and procedure of eligibility check of project partners were presented and discussed. The recommendation to launch the written procedure to supplement the information in the Programme Manual regarding the eligibility criteria (indicative list) was concluded.

Item 7. Scope of the next calls for proposals (D)

Small-scale projects concept was presented and Terms of Reference for the 1st Small-scale projects call for proposals was approved. The missing TOR parts regarding thematic focus of the small-scale projects call are to be decided by the Monitoring Committee after the 2nd regular call for proposals.

The concept was approved with the following amendments:

- Wording corrections in section 2.2 (“complexity” changed to “scope”),
- Corrections in the section 2.5: Instead of percentage of the Programme budget, the number will be included. Change will be done after approving the changes in the Programme document.

The 2nd call for proposals concept was presented. Decision on the scope of the next regular call was approved as proposed.

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Item 8. Programme implementation schedule (D)

The Programme implementation plan timeline was presented and approved as proposed.

Item 9. Changes in the Programme document (I/D)

Changes in the Programme document were presented.

5 member states confirmed their agreement, presented before official adoption of the Programme, to the extension of the Programme area by Olsztyński subregion. Amended programme should include tailored measures to address needs of this region.

Member states agreed to the proposed financial distribution of additional 8.3 mln EUR ERDF in proportions between the Priorities and Measures as agreed so far in the Programme.

The Programme document will be submitted for approval in the written procedure in September.

Item 10. Programme status quo after 1st call for proposals (I)

Programme status quo after 1st call for proposals was presented. Co-financing of the projects selected for funding in the 1st call for proposals is 17 856 054,56 EUR ERDF.

European Commission representative requested reviewing the indicators' target values when changing the Programme.

Item 11. Communication Action Plan for 2023 (I)

Communication Plan for 2023 was presented.

Item 12. Any other business

No other business was indicated.

Item 13. Approval of the minutes from the 2nd Monitoring Committee meeting (D)

The minutes were approved by the MC.

Item 14. Closure of the meeting (I)

The meeting was closed by the Chairperson.

The minutes were drafted by the JS.

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