



Minutes

4th Meeting of the Monitoring Committee (MC) of the Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021-2027

24 October 2024 | On-line meeting

Chairperson: Mr. Laimonas Gailius,

Head of Lithuania-Poland INTERREG Programmes Division,
EU Investments Department of the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania

Item 1. Words of welcome & Opening of the meeting

The meeting was officially opened by the Chairperson Mr. Laimonas Gailius.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda (D)

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

Item 3. State of play of the Programme implementation (I)

The MC members were informed of the Programme state of implementation, finances and indicators.

Item 4. Selection of projects submitted under the 3rd call for proposals (D)

Assessment procedure and assessment results were presented by JS.

The Chairman presented information about the exclusion of individual Members from voting in specified projects (following impartiality declarations submitted online).

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

Programme Measure 2.1: DeColnter

Programme Measure 3.1: Horse tourism for everyone

Additional conditions, clarifications and recommendations were introduced by the MC to the selected projects.

Item 5. Situation in the Programme after 3rd call for proposals (I)

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The financial and substantive summary after the selection of projects in the 3rd call for proposals was presented to the MC members. Co-financing of the projects selected for funding in the 3rd call for proposals is 3 698 436,80 EUR.

Item 6. Programme Manual (D)

The amendments to the Programme Manual were presented and accepted as proposed.

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

The concept of the 4th call for proposals and 2nd Small-scale projects call was presented.

The scope of the 4th regular call for proposals was approved as proposed with additional information on Measure 1.1, that projects have to contribute to RCO04 or/and to RCO14.

The 4th call for proposals to be opened for the Programme Measures 1.1, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 4.1.

It was agreed that Contact Points contact umbrella organizations dealing with SMEs to encourage their participation in the Programme.

The scope of the 2nd Small-scale projects call was approved as proposed (including Terms of Reference of 2nd Small-Scale projects call for proposals). The 2nd Small-scale projects call for proposals to be opened for the Programme Measure 4.1.

Calls to be opened from 5th of November 2024 to 4th of February 2025.

Item 8. Programme implementation plan for 2024/2025 (D)

The Programme implementation plan was presented and approved with amendments:

- information regarding matchmaking event was supplemented;
- in case of low interest in the upcoming calls (4th call and 2nd SSP call) an additional MC meeting will be organised online in February 2025.

Item 9. Interreg post-2027 survey evaluation (I)

The MC members were informed about key outcomes from consultations with the Programme stakeholders and citizens about the future of Interreg South Baltic Programme 2027+.

Item 10. Any other business

Polish delegation informed about the planned actions and priorities of the Polish Presidency in the EU Council devoted to Cohesion Policy in the 1st half of 2025. Delegation invited MC meeting participants for a conference dedicated to Cohesion Policy during the presidency, including a panel on Interreg. The conference will be held on 30-31 January 2025. Registration shall be opened approximately from the end of November to the beginning of December.

Item 11. Approval of the minutes from the 4th Monitoring Committee meeting (D)

The minutes were approved by the MC.

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Item 12. Closure of the meeting (I)

The meeting was closed by the Chairperson.

The minutes were drafted by the JS.

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