

## Overview of changes to the Programme Manual V.4

Location of change	Introduced changes	Justification of changes
The Programme Manual: page 7, Chapter I, Section 1, sub-section 1.1. Legal framework	Relevant information on the amended document is introduced to the Programme Manual.	Changes are related to the amended Programme document's approval by the European Commission on December 15, 2023.
Throughout the Programme Manual	Replace of the links to the amended Programme document.	Technical correction.
The Programme Manual: pages 11-12, Chapter I, Section 2 South Baltic Programme Area	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Correction of the number of NUTS3 regions covered by the Programme eligible area (increase from 25 to 26 regions).</li> <li>2. Introduction of the Olsztyn sub-region (Poland) to the Programme area.</li> <li>3. Correction of the Programme area map.</li> <li>4. Introduction of the Olsztyn sub-region (Poland) to the list of overlapping territories with the Interreg Baltic Sea Region Programme.</li> </ol>	Changes are related to the introduction of the Olsztyn sub-region (Poland) to the Programme area.
The Programme Manual: page 24, Chapter I, Section 5 Financing of the South Baltic Programme	Correction of the total amount of the ERDF co-financing (increase from 85,5 mln EUR to 93,8 mln EUR).	Changes are related to the allocation of additional funding to the Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021–2027, as approved in the decision of the European Commission on December 15, 2023.
The Programme Manual: page 25, Chapter I, Section 5 Financing of the South Baltic Programme	Corrections of the amounts allocated for each Programme Priority (and Measure, respectively) including the technical assistance; correction of the shares in percent.	Changes are related to the allocation of additional funding to the Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021–2027, as approved in the decision of the European Commission on December 15, 2023.
The Programme Manual: page 102, Chapter VI Section 3.1 Communication obligations for project partners	Replacement of the term “material” to a more precise term “physical” (investments) in accordance with Article 36 of the Interreg Regulations.	Technical specification in line with the Interreg Regulation.

<p>The Programme Manual: page 106, Chapter VI Section 3.3 Programme logotype</p>	<p>Title of the sub-section “Colours and icons for EU support areas” was corrected to “Colours for EU support areas”; a term “specially prepared icons” was removed from the sentence: “to graphically present the areas of EU support, specially prepared icons in different colours can be used” as icons are not developed by the Programme.</p>	<p>Technical specification in line with the Communication Guidelines for Beneficiaries.</p>
<p>The Programme Manual: page 122, Chapter VI Section 6, sub-section 6.1. First Level Control</p>	<p>Correction of the on the First Level Controllers designation process from &lt;...&gt; “before signing the service contracts for the first level control, the Ministry of the Interior will check if the controllers meet the set requirements” to “the Ministry of the Interior should be informed about the selected First Level Controllers in accordance with the national and / or the Programme’s requirements”.</p>	<p>Changes are related to the correction of the process of First Level Controllers’ designation in Lithuania.</p>