#### **Programming Post27**

# Roles and responsibilities in programme management and implementation

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# Objectives for the session

Reflect on how the roles and responsibilities of key programme bodies may evolve in response to the draft regulatory framework.

Discuss the implications of the new regulatory provisions on programme governance and implementation across all stages of the programme lifecycle.

Provide a platform for exchange – building on lessons learnt, share insights and ideas to identify areas where further support may be needed.



# Session outline

01	02	03	04	05	06
Introduction and setting the scene	Reflections: EC and programme bodies	Discussions in rooms	Coffee break	Discussions in rooms (cont.)	Wrap up and next steps



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# Time for a quick energiser

Which elements of today's session are most important to you regarding roles and responsibilities post-2027?





# Nothing is decided until everything is decided!

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# Interreg programmes: management and governance

#### **Continuity:**

Programme Authorities: MA, JS, AA [Article 10(1) and (4) ERDF], GoA [Article 10(5) ERDF], MC [Article 10(6) ERDF]

#### However:

Functioning of these authorities is less elaborated then in the current period 21-27



# Managing Authority and Joint Secretariat

# Art. 10 (1-4) ERDF

#### The Member States and non-member states:

- (1) shall identify a single managing authority and a single audit authority which shall be located in the same Member State
- (2) each managing authority of an Interreg Plan chapter shall be responsible for managing the chapter with a view to delivering its objectives
- (4)The managing authority shall be assisted by the **joint secretariat**, with staff representing States participating in the Interreg Plan chapter.



# **Monitoring Committee**

# Art. 10 (6) ERDF

A monitoring committee shall be established for each Interreg Plan chapter. The monitoring committee shall be responsible for <u>selection of Interreg operations</u>, in accordance with the Interreg Plan chapter's strategy and objectives.



# Partnership requirements

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# Art. 21 (2) NRPP

Each Member State shall prepare and implement the Plan in partnership with partners as set out in Article 6 [Partnership], including regional and local authorities, and in accordance with their institutional, legal and financial framework.



# Partnership requirements

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### Art. 6 NRPP

- (1) each Member State shall organise and implement a **comprehensive partnership** in accordance with its institutional and legal framework and taking into account the specificities of the chapters concerned. That partnership shall include a balanced representation.
- (2) The partnership established in accordance with paragraph 1 shall operate in accordance with the **multi-level governance principle and a bottom-up approach**.
- (6) At least **once a year, the Commission shall consult** organisations which represent **partners** at Union level on the implementation of the Plans.



# The management and control system

# Art. 58(2)(a) NRPP

#### The Member States shall:

- establish effective and efficient management and control systems
- ensure principle of sound financial management



# Management verifications

## Art. 51 NRPP

#### Role of the managing authority:

- to ensure the fulfilment of the milestones and targets
- is not expected to verify the underlying costs of the operations

#### **Management verifications shall:**

be risk-based



# **Controllers**

# Art. 10(3) ERDF

#### The Member State and non-Member State:

 may decide that management verifications are to be done through the identification by each Member State of a body or person responsible for such verification in its territory

# **Audit**

### Art. 53 NRPP

#### Role of the audit authority:

- carry out audits on the fulfilment of milestones and targets
- carry out system audits regarding the effective functioning of the management and control systems
- is not expected to verify the **underlying costs** of the operations



# **Group of Auditors**

# Art. 10 (5) ERDF

...where the audit authority does not have the authorisation to carry out its tasks in the whole territory covered by a cooperation programme, it shall be assisted by a group of auditors

composed of a representative from each Member State and, where applicable, non-Member States participating in the Interreg programme



# Key requirements for the management, control and audit system

### **Annex IV NRPP**

#### Among others:

- procedures for checking the fulfilment of the conditions for payment
- ensure that all documents necessary for a complete audit trail are held



# **Communication & Visibility**

## Art. 8 (3) (e) ERDF

Each Interreg Chapter shall:

• set out clear arrangements for ...(...) the envisaged approach to information, **communication and visibility** in line with the rules laid down in Performance Regulation

# Communication

### Art. 18 Performance

- (1) Acknowledgement of the funding
- (3) Obliges the use of the **emblem of the Union** including a **funding statement**..

...investment exceeding EUR 100 000, durable plaques or billboards that are clearly visible to the public and that present the emblem of the Union and the funding statement



# **Communication coordinator**

#### Art. 18 Performance

(6) Member States shall appoint a **communication coordinator** who shall be responsible for the overall information, communication and transparency actions in relation to the support received from the budget implemented within their territory, ensuring ... **The Commission shall maintain the network comprising communication coordinators** and Commission representatives to exchange about information, communication and visibility activities.



# Visibility

### **Annex V Performance**

Lays out the use and technical characteristics of the **emblem of the Union** ('the emblem') and **the funding statement** 



# Our panellists



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# Discussion in rooms – how we will work

First round 40 min

Please choose which room you would like to start with

Second round 40 min

After the coffee break, please move to a different room

Return to the plenary

Share key highlights and insights from the discussions



# Discussion in rooms

## Room 1

#### **Main Hall**

Partnership principle, roles and responsibilities of MA, JS, MC and NA – governance and cooperation

### Room 2

#### Princess 2-4-6

Management
verifications and audit
– roles and
responsibilities of the
programme bodies

## Room 3

#### **Princess 7**

Communication and visibility



# Plenary - key highlights and insights

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