

Controllers workshop



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Outlines

We are pleased to invite controllers responsible for performing management verifications in Interreg programmes to our annual workshop. We warmly welcome both newcomers and experienced controllers to join this yearly meeting dedicated to professional exchange, reflection on current and future challenges, and strengthening daily practice.

This year's workshop will focus on key topics relevant to controllers' work, including risk-based management verifications, eligibility of expenditure, simplified cost options (SCOs), developments related to the post-2027 framework, and soft skills for controllers, with particular attention to communication and presentation skills.

The workshop is designed as an interactive forum. Through open discussions and the sharing of practical examples, participants will actively contribute to a collaborative and solution-oriented learning environment.

Objectives

At the heart of this one-and-a-half day annual meeting lies the exchange of experience among controllers from different countries.

Participants will explore common challenges, compare approaches, and identify practical solutions to enhance the quality and effectiveness of management verifications.

This workshop encourages active participation from all attendees. We will facilitate group discussions and encourage brief presentations that introduce topics or share best practices. This interactive approach will cultivate a dynamic and enriching learning environment.



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Day One

Wednesday, 06 May 2026

09.00 – 09.30

Registration and welcome coffee

09.30 – 09.45

Welcome and introduction

Interact programme

09.45 – 11.00

Risk-based management verifications in practice

Interact programme & participants

- Updates related to RBMV
- Handling borderline cases and professional judgement

Objectives of the session: to explore the practical application of risk-based management verifications, including recent updates, handling of borderline cases and the use of professional judgement in decision-making.

11.00 – 11.30

Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00

Lessons from practice: the daily work of controllers

Interact programme & participants

- Frequent challenges related to eligibility, SCOs and reporting
- Discuss concrete cases

Objectives of the session: to address practical challenges related to eligibility of expenditures, simplified cost options (SCOs), reporting errors and recurring grey areas.

13.00 – 14.00

Lunch break

14.00 – 15.30

Post 2027 framework

Interact programme

- Presenting the new regulatory framework
- Management verifications post 2027

15.30 – 16.00

Coffee break

16.00 – 17.00

Post 2027 framework: what it means for controllers

Interact programme & participants

Objectives of the Post 2027 sessions: to reflect on the impact of the post – 2027 framework on management verifications and on the evolving role of controllers.



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Day Two

Thursday, 07 May 2026

09.00 – 09.15

Reconnection and recap of the first day

09.15 – 10.45

Soft skills – part I

Interact programme & participants

Objectives of the session: strengthen communication skills to cooperate more effectively with your stakeholders.

10.45 – 11.15

Coffee break

11.15 – 12.45

Soft skills – part II

Interact programme & participants

Objectives of the session: strengthen presentation skills to deliver messages in a clear and audience-oriented way.

12.45 – 13.00

Wrap-up and next steps

Interact programme & participants

- Participant takeaways
- Ideas for future workshops and activities

End of the meeting!