

State aid in Interreg

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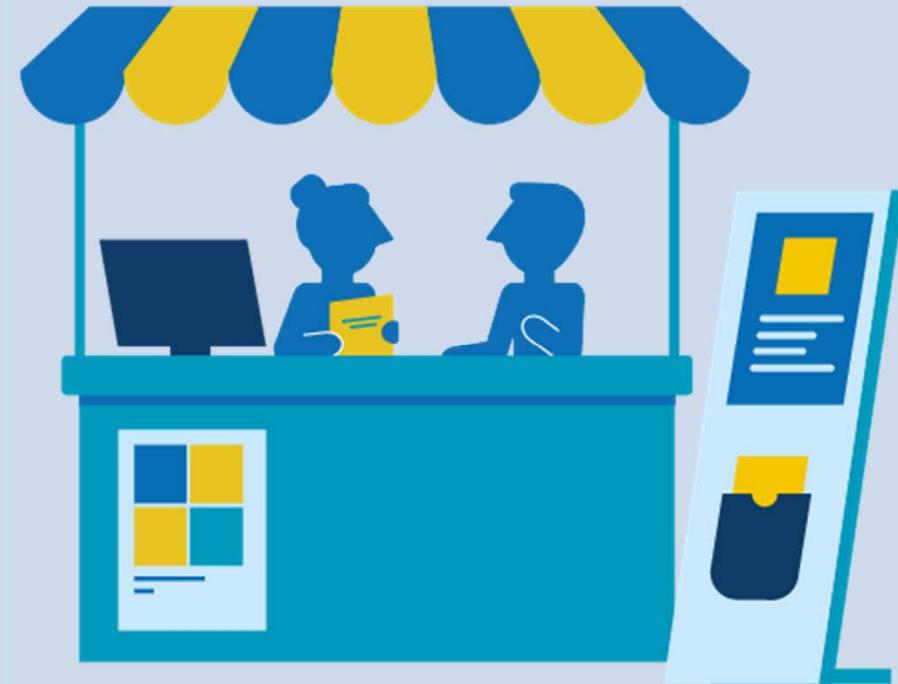
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**State aid in
Interreg easy
to manage**

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**“New“ GBER
Article 20 and
Article 20a**

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**“New“ de
minimis**

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**Your
experience
with State
aid**

Economic activities in projects

- No provisions on net revenues in 2021-2027
- If the operation is considered **eligible**, comply with **State aid rules**, and the principles for the **selection of operations** there is **no more legal requirement to carry out a quantification of revenues** generated by the project
- Some GBER articles (46, 48, 52, 52a, 52d, 53, 55, 56, 56a, 56b, 56c) require to deduct operating profit (\approx net revenues) ex ante or through claw-back mechanism **BUT NOT ARTICLE 20!**
- **Interreg's State aid rules one of the most lenient!**

GBER Amendment 2023 (1)

- 2023 amendment in the pipeline (translations)
- GBER prolonged until 31 December 2026
- Article 58(5) GBER explains that aid schemes have to comply with the GBER as amended as from 6 months from the entry into force of the amending Regulation – Revise the schemes (some until end 2023)
- The threshold to report on each individual aid award in Transparency Award Module is lowered to EUR 100 000
- Recoverable VAT **not** eligible under GBER!

GBER Amendment 2023 (2)

- Threshold of aid for Art 20: EUR 2,2 million per undertaking, per project
- (for programmes with 80%, EUR 2,2 million ERDF + EUR 0,55 million non-public own funds= **EUR 2,75 million TEC per partner**)
- Threshold of aid for Art 20a: up to EUR 22 000 per undertaking per project

- Programme setup
- Basic data
- Languages
- Translation management
- Geographical coverage
- Conversion rates
- Funds
- Priorities
- Indicators
- Strategies
- Legal status
- Typology of errors
- Simplified Cost Options
- State Aid
- Checklists



Dashboard / Programme setup / State Aid

Measure	Name	Abbreviated name (selectable in application form)	GBER Scheme Number	Maximum Intensity	Threshold in EUR	Comments to threshold
Measure General de minimis	General de minimis	General de minimis	123	100,00 %	200.000,00	per MS
Measure GBER Article 20	Aid for costs incurred by undertakings participating in European Territorial Cooperation project	GBER Article 20		80,00 %	2.200.000,00	The threshold was increased fr
Measure Agricultural de minimis	Agricultural de minimis	Agricultural de minimis		%	25.000,00	
Measure GBER Article 47	Investment aid for waste recycling and re-utilisation	GBER Article 47		35,00 %		
Measure GBER Article 20a	Limited amounts of aid to undertakings for participation in European Territorial Cooperation projects	GBER Article 20a	SA.12345	%	22.000,00	The threshold was increased fr

New de minimis regulation 1st draft – changes

- New de minimis regulation will come into force as of 1 January 2024 (draft at the moment)
- A 3-year rolling threshold of EUR 275 000
- EUR 137 500 for road freight transport
- **Comments:** Generally increase (EUR 300 000 – 600 000) and harmonise thresholds

New de minimis regulation 1st draft – changes

- The MS central de minimis aid register shall be set up within 6 months after the entry into force of de minimis regulation
- Or use Union level central register
- No self-declarations!
- **Comments:** From OK, specify details for searching to administrative burden or even non-compliance with the national law