

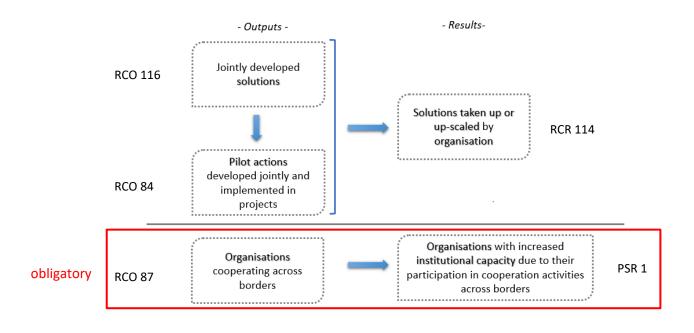
Guidance on setting target values for the indicators – SMALL projects

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Overview of indicators (for projects within Programme priorities 1-3):

The chart below displays the indicators for small projects: output indicators on the left side, and corresponding result indicators on the right side. The codes next to the indicators refer to the "Indicators Fiche" and the Programme document. **Only indicators within the red frame are obligatory for all small projects**; the other indicators apply if the small project plans to develop solutions and implement pilot activities.



¹ Annex 1, Table 2 to Commission Staff Working Document SWD (2021) 198 final, Performance, monitoring and evaluation of the European Regional Development Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the Just Transition Fund in 2021-2027

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Definitions and guidance on target values setting

Indicator RCO 84: Pilot actions developed jointly and implemented in projects		
Definition	This indicator counts the pilots developed and implemented by the projects. A pilot validates the usefulness of a solution, i.e. verifies whether the solution meets the needs of the ones who should use it regularly (target groups). A pilot involves project partners from at least three different countries. If the three partners do not participate in the implementation phase of the pilot, their involvement should be ensured in both the preparation and evaluation phases of the pilot.	
Guidance on setting target values in the application form	This indicator is not obligatory. If the small project plans pilot activities, the value of this indicator is filled in automatically, based on the number of pilots indicated in the application form, Part 5. Work Plan. Please note: if a solution is made up of different components, testing the same component in different locations or with different target groups would correspond to only one pilot. Instead, testing the different components in different locations or with different target groups would correspond to more pilots (equal to the number of components).	

Indicator RCO 116: Jointly developed solutions		
Definition	This indicator counts the solutions contributing to solving the challenge identified by the project. Solutions are piloted during the project implementation. Projects may develop new solutions from scratch or modify/upscale existing solutions after the testing phase. ("Upscale" means e.g. to apply to a larger region, other cities or countries). Each solution is presented in an output.	
Guidance on setting target values in the application form	This indicator is not obligatory. If the small project plans solutions, the value of this indicator is filled in automatically, based on the number of solutions indicated in the application form Part 5. Work Plan.	

	Indicator 104: Solutions taken up or up-scaled by organisations
Definition	This indicator counts solutions that are used by at least one organisation within or outside the project partnership. The solution should be used either by an organisation that was not using it before the project or by an organisation that was already using it before the project and will now extend the planned duration or increase the scale.
Guidance on setting target values in the application form	This indicator is not obligatory. If the small project plans solutions, the value of this indicator is filled in automatically, based on the number of solutions indicated in the application form Part 5. Work Plan.



Indicator RCO 87: Organisations cooperating across borders		
Definition	This indicator counts the project partners and associated organisations indicated in the project data. This includes any such organisations even if they drop out during the project. This excludes any such organisations that drop out before the project is contracted.	
Guidance on setting target values in the application form	The value of this indicator is filled in automatically, based on the number of project partners and associated organisations listed in the application form partnership tables.	

Indicator PSR 1: Organisations with increased institutional capacity due to their participation in		
cooperation activities across borders		
Definition	This indicator counts the project partners, associated organisations, and any organisations outside the partnership that actively participated in cooperation activities of a project across borders and consequently increased their institutional capacity.	
	According to the Programme, the institutional capacity is increased when an organisation:	
	- acquire new knowledge or skills	
	- apply new tools,	
	- implement new procedures or workflows,	
	- change their organisational structure	
	through active involvement in the project activities.	
	An organisation's institutional capacity is not increased through, for example:	
	- attendance of its representative(s) in an information event,	
	- receiving a mailing list for project newsletters,	
	- consulting its representative(s) for the development of a training programme.	
Guidance on setting target values in the application form	The value of this indicator should be entered manually in the application form.	
	The projects should consider not only the project partners and associated organisations, but also organisations outside the partnership (these organisations should be in line with the target groups defined by the projects).	
	In addition to the target value the projects need to explain in the application form how the institutional capacity of these organisations will be increased.	