

Financial webinar Interreg Baltic Sea Region 2021-2027 MA/JS Interreg BSR Online | 13 January 2022



Welcome to the financial webinar

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Agenda



Warming-up

$$09:00 - 09:15$$

Finances in the core projects

09:15 - 10:15

Questions & BREAK

10:15 - 10:35

Answers to your questions

10:35 - 10:55

Finances in the small projects

10:55 - 11:20

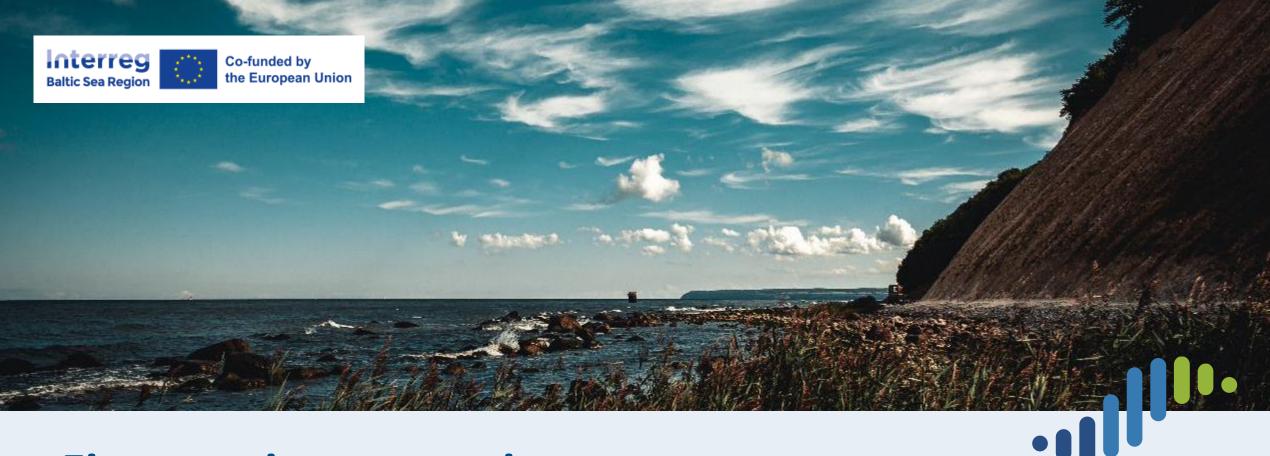
Questions & BREAK

11:20 - 11:40

Answers to your questions

11:40 - 11:50

Final words



Finances in core projects

- General rules for core projects
- Budget in core projects



General rules for core projects

Rostislav Zatloukal/Finance Officer

Duration of core projects



CONTRACTING

3 months

IMPLEMENTATION

Up to 36 months

CLOSURE

3 months

in line with the **eligibility rules**

Final payment of project activities and administrative project closure

MC approval

Implementation end

Project end



General principles of eligibility for core projects





Project budget

- No specific size limits
- Seven cost categories (incl. preparation costs)



Project partner budget

- Each partner has its own budget
- Can be used only by given partner
- No combination with other EU funds
- Public procurement



No service/supply/work contract

- ... with own employees
- ... with partner itself (e.g. internal invoices)
- ... with other project partners



Further points for budget planning

- Varying VAT eligibility
- No gifts and awards
- No cost-sharing
- No double funding



Basic principles of reimbursement



- Reimbursement of costs
- Partner budget = Programme co-financing + own partner contribution

EU partners

- 80% of ERDF co-financing
- 20% own contribution

Norwegian partners

- 50% of Norwegian national co-financing
- 50% own contribution

Russian partners

- Co-financing depends on signature of financing agreement
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- Reporting of costs and payment of Programme funds in EUR



Management verification of core projects



- Simplified cost options verified by MA/JS no budget to be planned
- Real costs verified by controllers
 - Centralised control systems for free, no budget to be planned
 - SE, FI, PL, EE, LV
 - Decentralised control system plan budget for the controller
 - NO, DE, DK, LT, RU



State aid to project partners



Assessment

- Risk-based approach: No specific State aid declaration to be provided
- Partners with medium State aid risk can require and justify a plausibility check
- No elimination of State aid through specific criteria
- The entire Programme co-financing to a partner is either State aid or not



Details are shown in the State aid section of BAMOS+



State aid to third parties



- Non-financial support through project partners' activities
- o Examples:
 - Consultancy, product development or other subsidised services provided to companies
 - Access to research facilities for companies
 - Project output (e.g. digital service platform) transferred to a company
- Measure: General Block Exemption Regulation, Article 20a
 - EUR 20,000 per third party, per project
 - Project partner has to calculate
 - Elimination of the aid elements if the value is beyond EUR 20,000



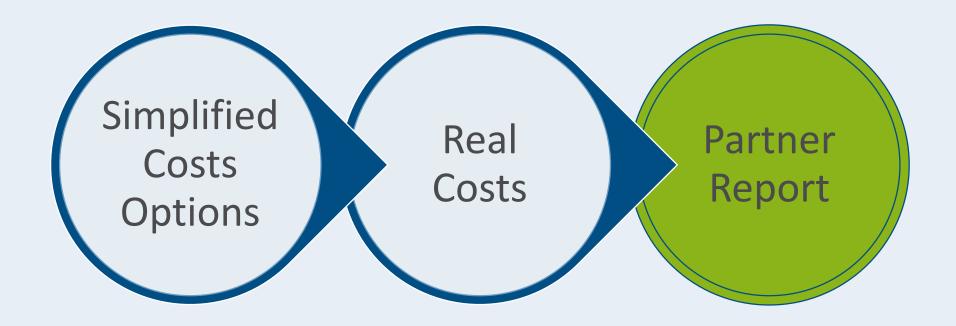


Budget in core projects

Łukasz Korpal/Finance Officer

Forms of support







Forms of support







What can be planned?



CAT 0

Preparation costs

CAT 1

Staff costs

CAT 2

Office and administration

CAT 3

Travel and accommodation

Simplified Costs Options

CAT 4

External service

CAT 5

Equipment

CAT 6

Infrastructure and works





Preparation costs



Preconditions for reimbursement of preparation cost:

- Possibility stated in the announcement note
- Project applied in the application
- **Project did not receive other EU funds** for the development of this project application



Lump sum 24,000 EUR – **19,200 EUR** Programme co-financing



Staff costs



Unit cost

Hourly rate

Staff costs

Conditions:

- employment contract or equivalent
- 1,720 hours per full-time employee per calendar year
- productive hours only



Hourly rate



Pre-defined hourly rate

Per country

The same for each employee

Per productive working hour





Hourly rate







Hourly rate



Project Manager





Calculation



FOR STAFF COSTS

PLANNING **1720** rule

Full-time 100% for project

Part-time (50%) 100% for project

Part-time (X%)
Y% for project

1720 hrs/year

50% x 1720 hrs/year

X% x Y% x 1720 hrs/year



Calculation



STAFF COSTS

Part-time (50%) scientist 20% for project, 1 year

Full time project assistant 50% for project, 3 years

Full-time project manager 100% for project, 3 years

 $29 \times 1720 \times 50\% \times 20\% \times 1 = 4,988$

 $29 \times 1720 \times 50\% \times 3 = 74,820$

 $29 \times 1720 \times 3 = 149,640$

YOUR BUDGET FOR STAFF COSTS – EUR 229,448



Office and administration



Flat rate – 15 % of eligible staff costs

Automatic calculation

No supporting documents

Over or under-compensation possible





Travel and accommodation



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Project partner's own employees only
Automatic calculation
No supporting documents

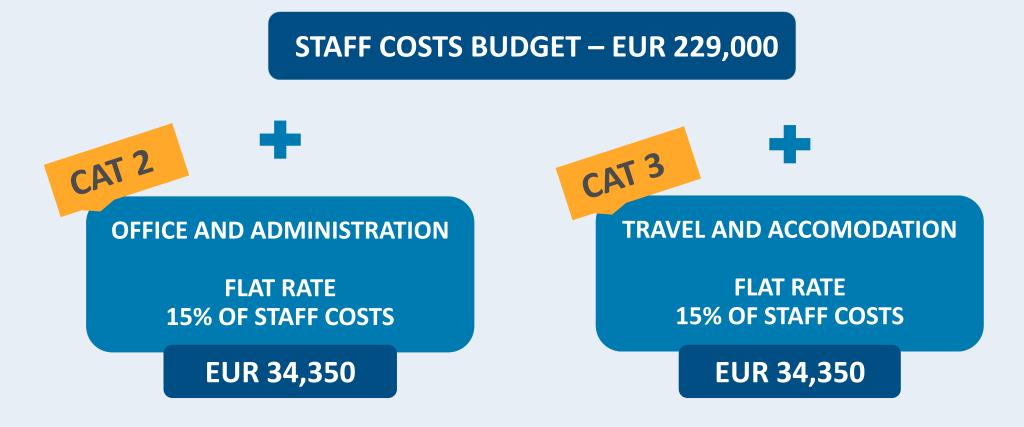
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Calculation of CAT2 and CAT3





YOUR BUDGET SO FAR - EUR 297,700



External service



Documentation:

- procurement documentation
- invoices
- proof of delivery of services
- payment proof





CAT 4 Calculation



YOUR BUDGET SO FAR - EUR 297,700

Expert support – EUR 20,000

Organisation of event—EUR 8,000

Travel of external experts – EUR 5,000

Promotional campaign – EUR 10,000



EXTERNAL SERVICE

EUR 43,000

YOUR BUDGET SO FAR - EUR 340,700



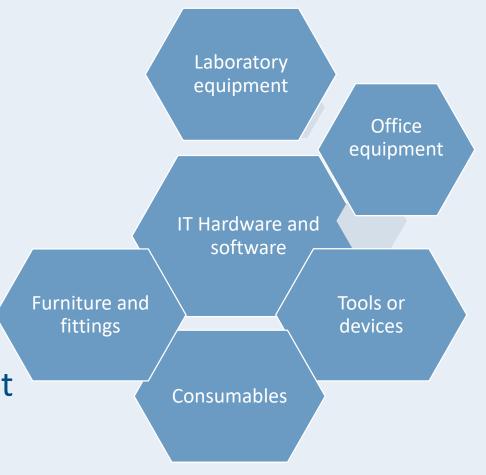
Equipment



Full costs depreciation/rental/lease Second-hand equipment possible



Equipment which is a productive investment





CAT 5 Calculation



YOUR BUDGET SO FAR - EUR 340,700

Laptop (full) – EUR 1,500

Laboratory consumables (full) – EUR 6,000

Slurry tank (2 months renting) – EUR 6,000

+

EQUIPMENT

EUR 13,500

YOUR BUDGET SO FAR – **354,200 EUR**



Infrastructure and works



Design and realisation of infrastructure and works

Site preparation, delivery, handling, installation, renovation



Documents specifying the ownership of land or buildings Durability





CAT 6 Calculation



YOUR BUDGET SO FAR – EUR 354,200



Revitalisation of peatland EUR 25,000

Construction of mobility point EUR 30,000

INFRASTRUCTURE AND WORKS

EUR 55,000

YOUR TOTAL BUDGET - EUR 409,200



Total project budget



Lead partner EUR 409,200

Partner 2 **EUR 250,500**

Partner 3 **EUR 180,000**

Partner 4 **EUR 60,000**









Finances in small projects

- General rules for small projects
- Budget in small projects



General rules for small projects

Dana Hennings/Finance Officer

Duration of small projects



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3 months

IMPLEMENTATION

Up to 24 months

CLOSURE

3 months

in line with the **eligibility rules**

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MC approval

Implementation end

Project end



General principles of eligibility for small projects





Project budget

- Max. EUR 500,000
- Three cost categories (incl. preparation costs)



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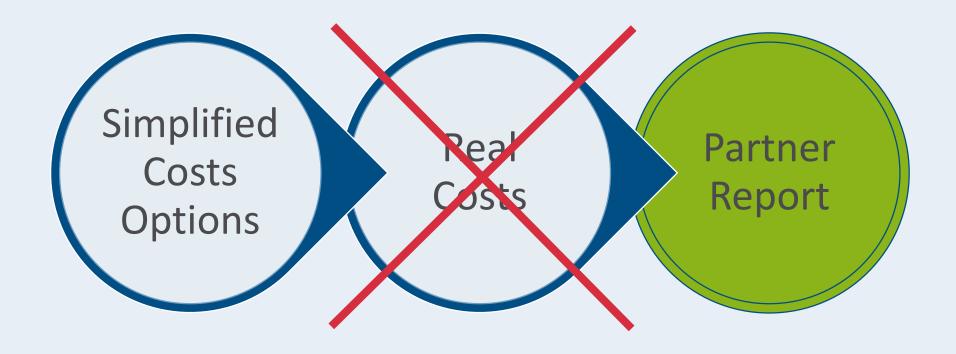


Budget in small projects

Václav Kaplan/Finance Officer

Forms of support

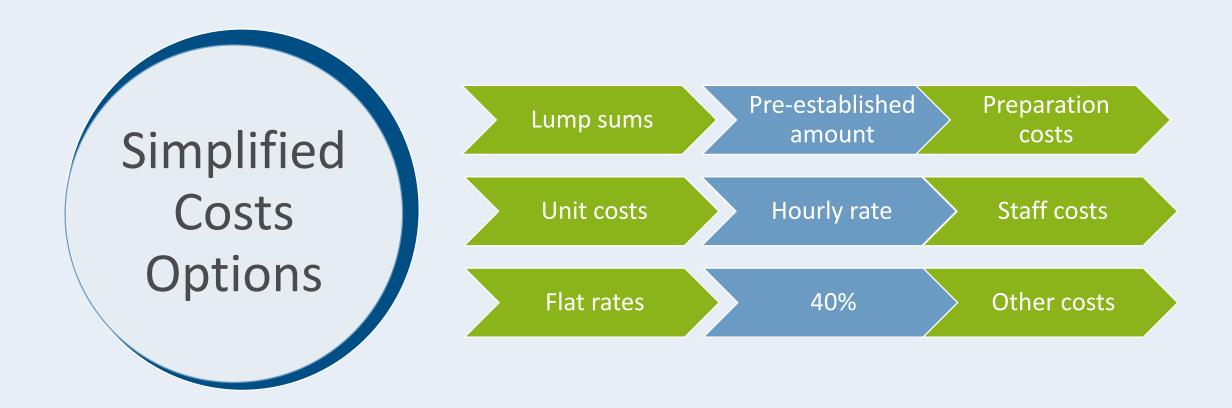






Forms of support







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CAT 1

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CAT 7

Other costs





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CAT1 – Unpaid voluntary work



Specific case for small projects

In small projects only



in other project types not allowed

No indication in the application



limits to be considered in planning

Max. amount of own contribution



only in addition to regular employees



Other costs



Flat rate – 40 % of eligible staff costs

Automatic calculation

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Over or under-compensation possible





Budget planning

Example budget project partner from Finland project duration: two years





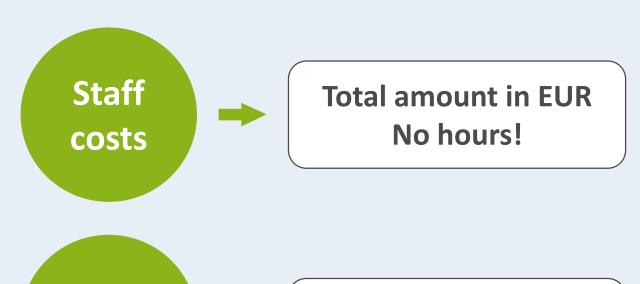




Budget planning

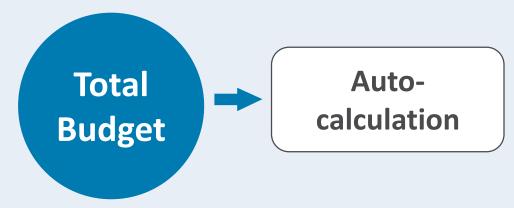


Application form – BAMOS+



Other costs

Auto-calculation based on staff budget





Total project budget



Lead partner EUR 140,000

Partner 2 **EUR 191,800**

Partner 3 **EUR 168,000**

Total EUR 499,800

Max. 500,000 EUR







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