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Assistance to a Strategy point



Information session

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An aerial photograph of a coastal area, showing a small island with dense vegetation in the center, surrounded by a sandy beach and shallow turquoise water. To the right of the image, there is a decorative graphic consisting of a series of vertical bars of varying heights and colors (blue, green, yellow) that resemble a bar chart or a stylized logo.

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Interreg Baltic Sea Region

is an EU funding programme with the overall objective:

“put into practice **innovative, water-smart & climate-neutral solutions** through transnational cooperation for the **benefit of citizens** across the Baltic Sea region.”

4 priorities including
9 Programme objectives



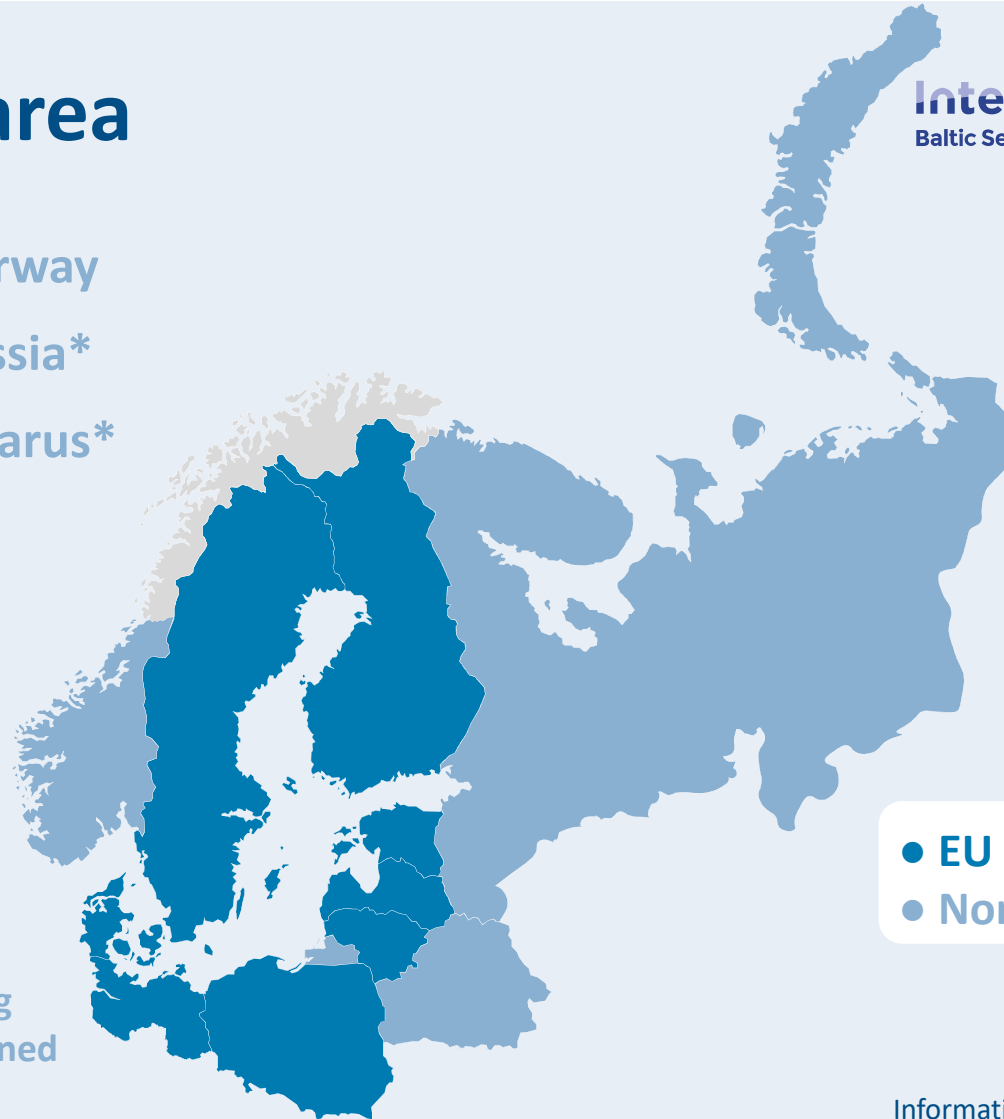
Programme area

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- ✓ Denmark
- ✓ Estonia
- ✓ Finland
- ✓ Germany
- ✓ Latvia
- ✓ Lithuania
- ✓ Poland
- ✓ Sweden
- ✓ Norway
- ✓ Russia*
- ✓ Belarus*



- EU Member States
- Non-EU States

*on the condition that financing agreements with the EU are signed



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Cooperation governance

Programme objective 4.1 Platforms

Programme objective 4.2 Macro-regional governance

Note: The Programme document is subject to approval by the European Commission.





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Assistance to a Strategy point: key features 1/2

- Programme assistance to the Strategy point will be implemented through a project.
- The call for project applications is implemented under Programme objective 4.2 “Macro-regional governance”: interreg-baltic.eu.
- The requirements for the call are defined in the announcement note, published on the launch date of the call: interreg-baltic.eu/gateway.
- Project applications must be submitted through the Programme electronic data exchange system BAMOS+.



Assistance to a Strategy point: key features 2/2

- Project partnership:
 - based on the lead partner principle
 - at least two partner organisations from at least two EU member states of the Programme area
 - may involve project partners from Norway
 - may involve associated organisations (without Programme funding)
- Project duration: three years, contracting starts after the selection by the Programme Monitoring Committee



An aerial photograph of a coastal area with a small island in the center. The water is a deep blue, and the land is a mix of brown and green. A decorative bar chart with vertical bars of varying heights in shades of blue and green is overlaid on the left side of the image.

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Assistance to Strategy point

Programme funding

- Programme funding for EU partners from ERDF: **up to EUR 1.2 million for a three-year project**
- Programme funding for Norwegian partners from the Norwegian national funds
- Co-financing rate: **80%**
- Reimbursement (reporting in EUR)
- Form of reimbursement – **Simplified cost options**



Budget planning

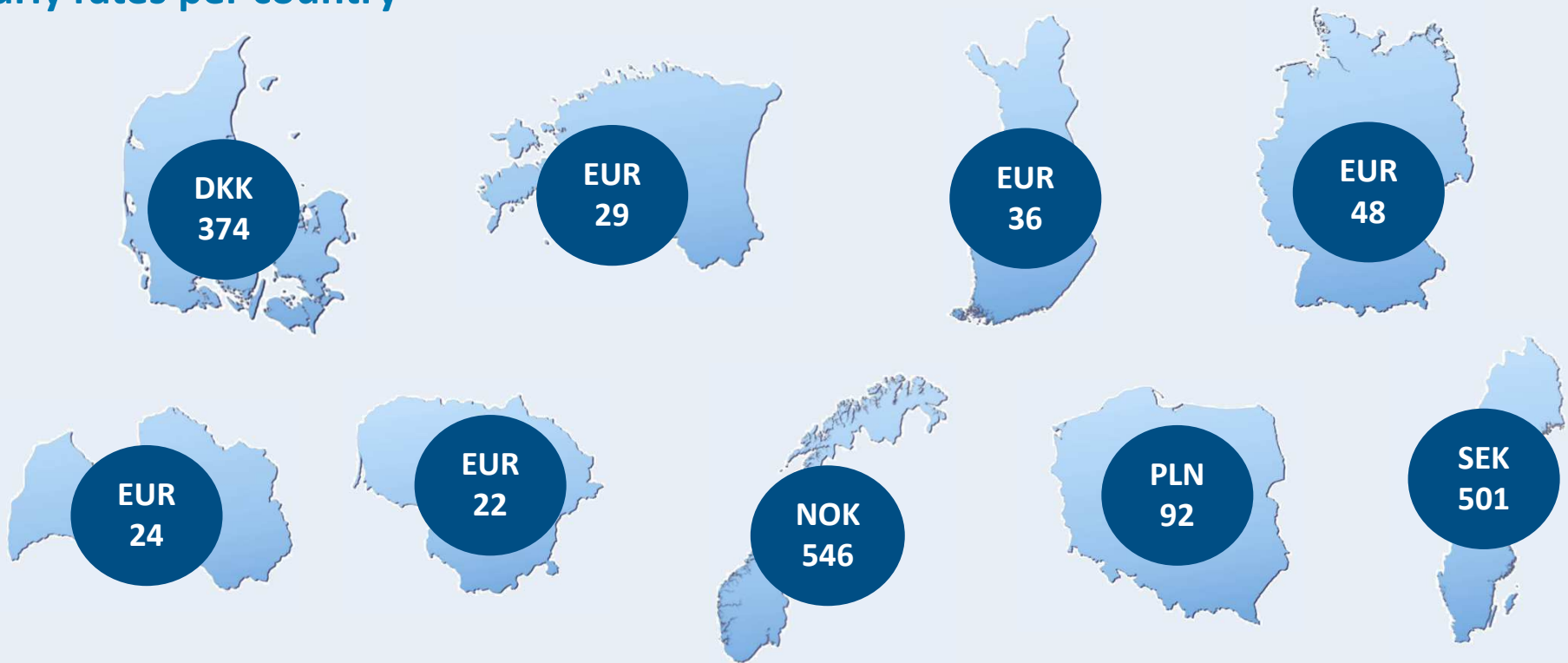


Forms of reimbursement - SCOs



Budget planning

Hourly rates per country



Budget planning

Calculation of working hours

Maximum number
of hours/year

**1720
rule**

Full-time
100% for project

1720
hrs/year

Part-time (50%)
100% for project

50% x 1720
hrs/year

Part-time (X%)
Y% for project

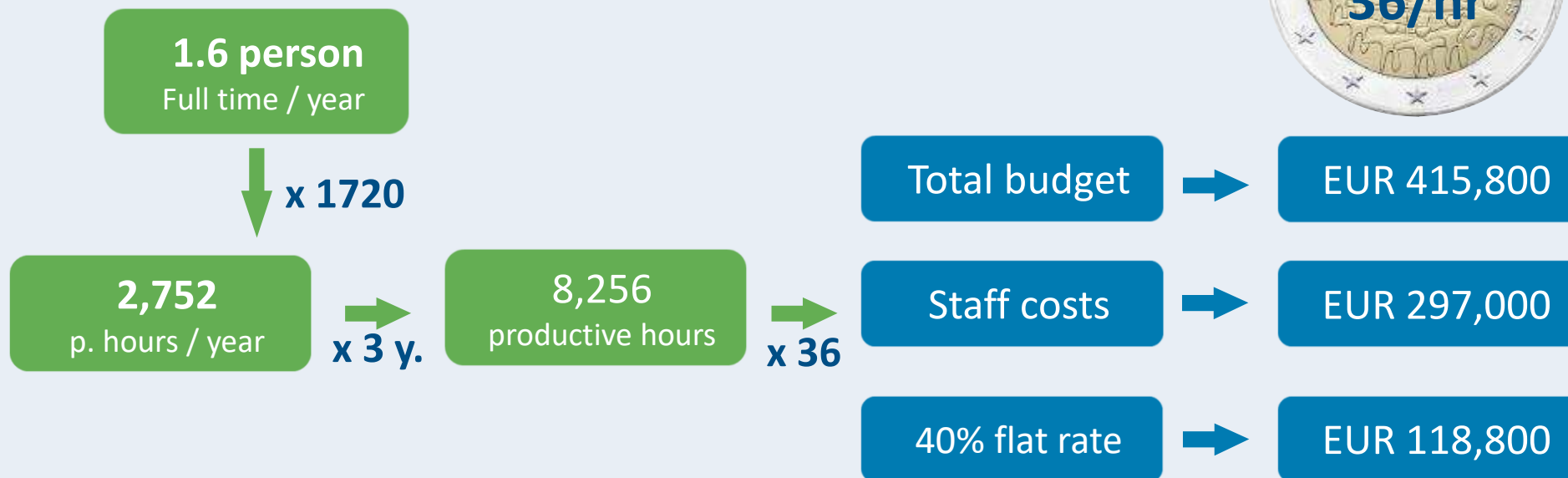
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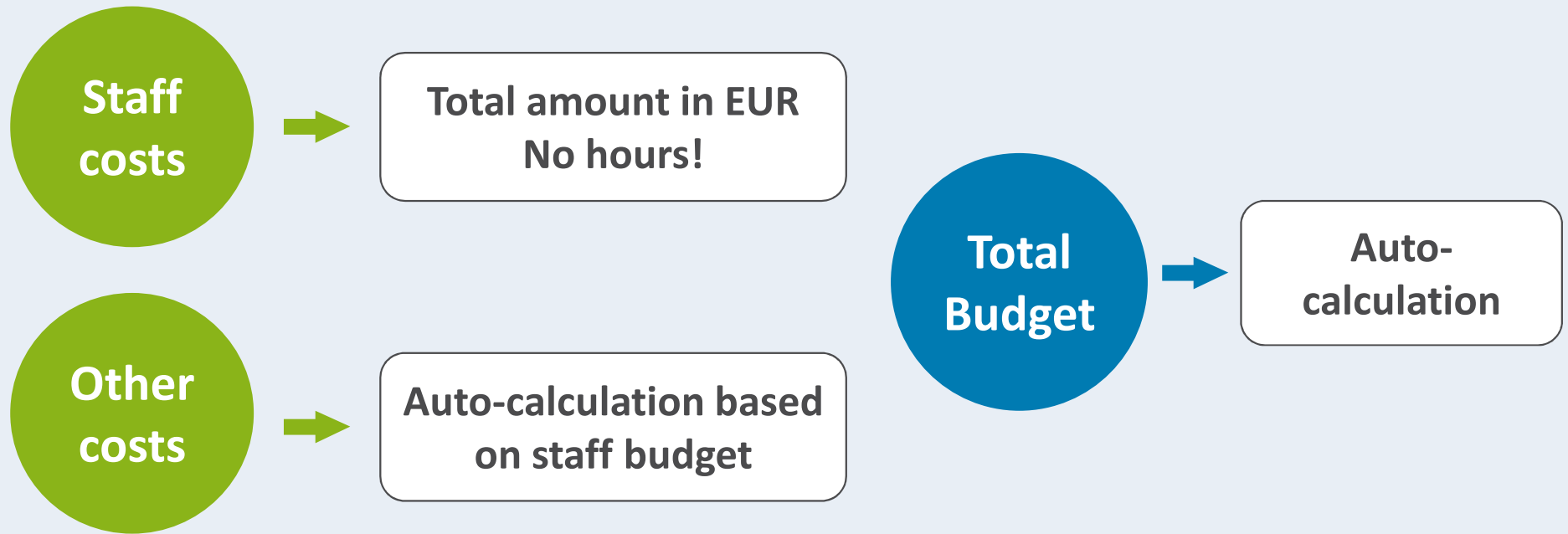
Total budget for 3 years of project implementation

EXAMPLE – Project partner from Finland



Budget planning

Application form – BAMOS+



Reporting

- Partner report/progress report – **BAMOS+**
- Reporting period – **twice per year**
- **No first level control**
- **MA/JS certify costs**





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Timeline of the call 1/2

Information in the gateway for applicants on the Programme website	December 2021
Call launch → Announcement note published	8 February 2022
Submitting project idea form (PIF)	By 9 March 2022
Attending obligatory consultation (after PIF is submitted) and requesting access to BAMOS+	
Call closed → Documents and forms to be submitted digitally	30 March 2022 16:00 CEST



Documents

What?	How?
Project application	Lead applicant → access / log-in to BAMOS+ → submission of project application
Partner declarations	Upload to BAMOS+ in the document centre
Contact information for each project partner & each associated organisation	Contact & bank information section of BAMOS+ (additionally, submitted by lead applicant after submission of the application).
Bank information of the lead applicant account	



Support to applicants

- Programme gateway for applicants: interreg-baltic.eu/gateway
- **Consultation** by the Managing Authority/Joint Secretariat and the representatives of the Presidency of the EUSBSR National Coordinators Group
- Answers to questions per email: governance@interreg-baltic.eu and EUSBSR-Presidency-LT@mfa.lt
- BAMOS+ helpdesk: helpdesk@bamos.eu



Timeline of the call 2/2

Admissibility check and quality assessment (criteria and process described in the Programme Manual)	April – May 2022
Monitoring Committee decision (maximum one project selected)	14-15 June 2022* (depends on the adoption of the Programme by the European Commission)
All lead applicants informed about the decision of the MC	June 2022 (after the MC meeting)
Contracting of the selected project starts	June 2022 (after the MC meeting)





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