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Rules of procedure of the Monitoring Committee for the Cross-Border Cooperation Programme (Interreg VI-A) Greece-Bulgaria 2021-2027

1st Monitoring Committee Meeting
2nd February 2023
Thessaloniki - Greece

Mission

Monitoring the implementation
of the
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VI-A Cross-Border
Programme
Greece-Bulgaria
2021-2027

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The MC shall <u>examine</u>

01 Milestones & Targets

02 Issues that affect performance

03 Progress & Evaluation

04 Communication & visibility actions

05 Strategic Projects progress

The MC shall <u>approve</u>

01 Project Selection

02 Methodology & Selection Criteria

03 Evaluation Plan *(+ amendments)*

04 Programme Amendment(s)

05 Final Performance Report

06 Annual TA plan

MC: other tasks (among others)

be informed of the annual control report

ensure actions to promote gender equality, non-discrimination and sustainable development

approve the programme manual prepared by the MA/JS.

Chairmanship

Exercised

Annual rotating basis

chaired

by a representative of the hosting country or by the Managing Authority

designated Chairpersons

GR side: Special Secretary for the ERDF and CF Programmes

BG side : Deputy – Minister of Regional Development and Public Works.

convenes

at least once a year, in the country that assumes the Chairmanship of the year

Chairperson Tasks

Tasks

- Convene meetings
- Elaborate provisional agenda
- Perform Chairperson duties
- Co-sign decisions & conclusions

Composition (1/4)

- members with voting rights,
- members without voting rights, and,
- members in an advisory capacity (without voting rights)

Composition (2/4)

Members **with voting right** from the **Greek side** are:

1.The Special Secretary for ERDF and CF Programmes as co-Chairperson (Ministry of Development and Investments).

2.The representative of the National Coordination Authority (Ministry of Development and Investments).

3.The Regional Governor of the Region of Central Macedonia

4.The Regional Governor of the Region of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace.

5.The representative of the Union of Regions of Greece (ENPE);

6.The representative of the Central Union of Municipalities of Greece (KEDE);

7.The Representative of the Economic and Social Committee (OKE);

8.The representative of the National Confederation of Disabled People (ESAMeA);

Composition (3/4)

Members **with voting right from the Bulgarian side** are:

1. The representative of Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works - (Deputy Minister of Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works – co-chair) & the representative of the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works (Directorate "Territorial cooperation management" - NA for INTERREG VI-A Greece-Bulgaria)
2. The representative of the Council of Ministers Administration;
3. The representative of the Ministry of Interior;
4. The representative of the Ministry of Transport and Communications ;
5. The governor of the District Administration – Blagoevgrad;
6. The governor of the District Administration – Smolyan;
7. The governor of the District Administration – Kardzhali;
8. The governor of the District Administration – Haskovo;
9. The representative of the Road Infrastructure Agency;
10. The representative of National Association of Municipalities (NAMRB)
11. The representative of the NGO sector (one voting member on rotation basis);

Composition (4/4)

Members **without voting right (**from both sides):

- Head of MA
- representatives of public authorities, the responsibilities of which are closely related to potential projects
- Representatives of coordination, certification and control authorities
- Representatives of economic, social partners, NGOs

Members in an **advisory capacity, without voting right**, are:

- The representative of the DG REGIO of the European Commission
- The representative of the European Investment Bank (EIB)

The above mentioned list of the MC members shall be published in Programme's website, pursuant to Article 29(2) of Reg (EU)2021/1059

Convening the meetings

Meeting (live/via video conference and/or hybrid):	Send a written invitation (via e-mail):	Send agenda:
at least once a year in the country holding the Presidency	at least twenty (20) calendar days before the specified date	preferably no later than ten (10) days before the meeting date

Agenda

Determination From the co-chairs Approval At the beginning of each MC meeting	Submit a written request: no later than ten (10) days before the scheduled meeting	In case of an urgent matter: possibility to add a topic at the start of the meeting

Decision-taking procedure

A quorum is achieved when at least 50% + 1 of the MC members with voting right from each delegation are represented at the meeting.

decisions are taken by consensus between the voting members of national delegations

co-chairpersons shall use all appropriate channels and shall seek to resolve any differences

No decision can be taken without the consent of the co-chairs

Simple majority (50%+1)

Written procedure
1
2
3
Email with draft decision with the subject to be approved
Deadline for reply by members at least ten (10) calendar days
No response within the set deadline shall be considered as an approval

MC secretariat

Preparation of agenda

Invitation

decisions approved by the MC shall be published on the website of the programme (ensures maximum transparency)

JS provides secretarial services to the MC

Impartiality

Any assessment and/ or Decision of the MC will be free from bias and must not be influenced by personal interest or involvement

MC members have to inform the Chairperson about any possible conflict of interest

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Thank you for your attention!

On behalf of Managing Authority

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