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# **IPA ADRION 2nd Call for Proposals**

## **Key features, contents and novelties**

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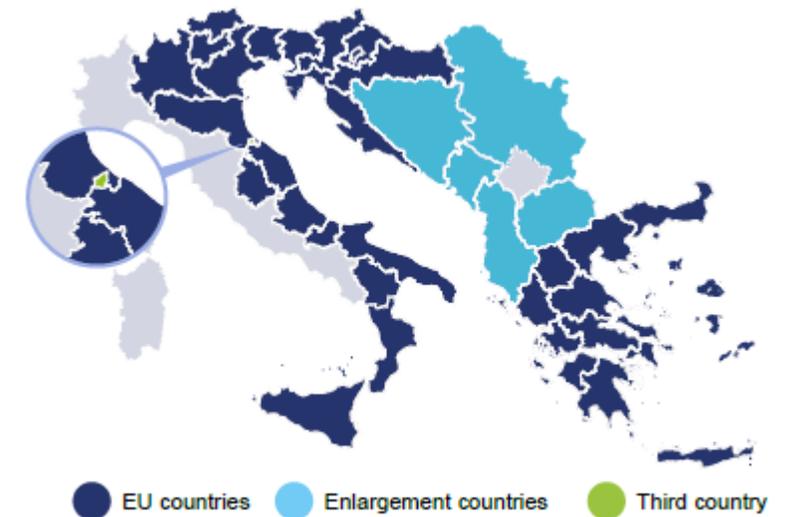
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# IPA ADRION 2<sup>o</sup> call for proposals



- **Open from 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2025 h: 13:00 (CEST time)**
- **Total Interreg budget: MEUR 21,86**
- **Interreg cofinancing rate: up to 85%**
- **Open to the 3 Priority Axes: innovation, environment, transport, but not to all Specific Objectives**
- **Open to a limited set of topics and actions**
- **Financing partners from the IPA ADRION programme area only**
- **Minimum partnership eligibility requirements: 4 organizations located in at least 2 ERDF and 2 IPA participating countries**
- **Project duration: up to 36 months**
- **Maximum Interreg contribution per project: MEUR 1,2**



# Eligible Priorities Axis and Specific Objectives



**Only the following:**

- Priority axes
- Related Specific Objectives
- Actions reported in the call announcement and application manual

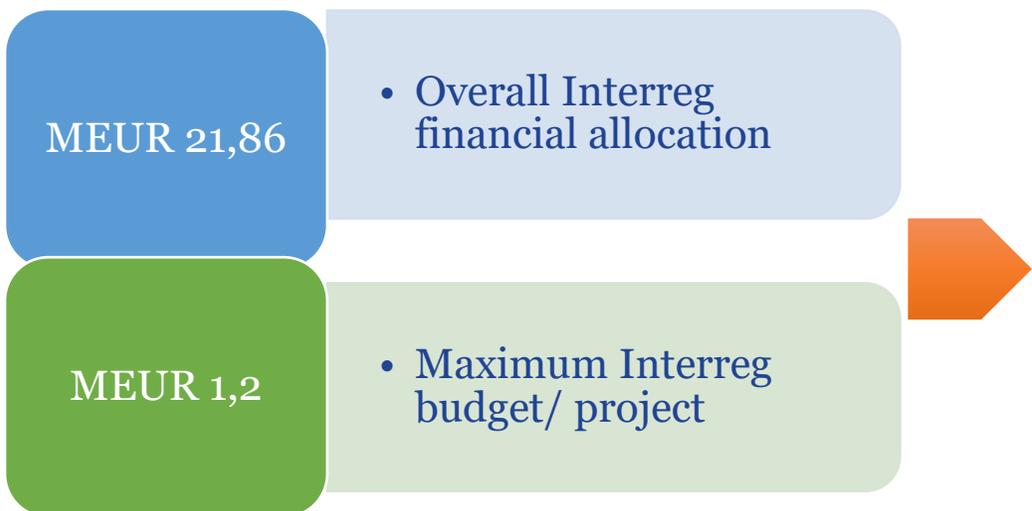
**ARE ELIGIBLE**

 <p><b>SUPPORTING A SMARTER ADRIATIC AND IONIAN REGION</b></p> <p><b>SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 1.1:</b> STRENGTHENING INNOVATION CAPACITIES</p>	 <p><b>SUPPORTING A GREENER AND CLIMATE RESILIENT ADRIATIC AND IONIAN REGION</b></p> <p><b>SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 2.1:</b> ENHANCING RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE, NATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS</p> <p><b>SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 2.3:</b> SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTAL PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION</p>	 <p><b>SUPPORTING A CARBON NEUTRAL AND BETTER-CONNECTED ADRIATIC AND IONIAN REGION</b></p> <p><b>SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 3.1:</b> STRENGTHENING A CARBON-NEUTRAL SMART MOBILITY SYSTEM</p>
<p>Budget available under this Priority: <b>4,8 MEUR</b></p>	<p>Budget available under this Priority: <b>SO 2.1: 7,22 MEUR</b> <b>SO 2.3: 6,18 MEUR</b></p>	<p>Budget available under this Priority: <b>3,66 MEUR</b></p>

**Each project proposal must address to:**

- Only 1 Priority Axis
- Only 1 Specific Objective
- One or more actions can be chosen, upon condition they belong to the same Specific Objective

# Expected number of granted projects



## Minimum number of granted projects

		available Interreg funds (MEUR)	max Interreg project budget (MEUR)	minimum granted projects
<b>Priority axis 1</b>	<b>SO1.1</b>	4,8	1,2	<b>4</b>
<b>Priority axis 2</b>	<b>SO2.1</b>	7,22	1,2	<b>6</b>
	<b>SO2.3</b>	6,18	1,2	<b>5</b>
<b>Priority axis 3</b>	<b>SO3.1</b>	3,66	1,2	<b>3</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>21,86</b>		<b>18</b>

# IPA ADRION 2° call for proposals

## Eligible topics and actions



### Open to a limited set of topics and actions

Focus on social innovation and social and demographic changes, health, quality of life, sustainable tourism and creative industry, agro-food and safe nutrition; climate change; nature protection and preservation; pollution reduction; intermodal and multimodal transport.

To the greatest extent possible, the topics are broken down by specific objectives.

Topics and actions included in the 1<sup>st</sup> call for proposals are not eligible in the present call.

The second call for proposals intends to **valorise the leverage effect** of the project proposals

Projects not showing a clear link to a programme specific objective and the territorial needs/challenges or indicative actions focus of the call, and/or not contributing to the programme outputs and results will not be supported by the IPA ADRION programme.

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## Priority Axis 1 Supporting a Smarter Adriatic and Ionian region - S.O. 1.1 Strengthening innovation capacities in the Adriatic - Ionian region



MEUR 4,8 - Interreg funds



**High competition:**  
**max 4 projects to be funded considering  
the max. budget threshold (MEUR 1,2)!**

### 7 actions addressed by the call

#### *Thematic focus*

#### *INNOVATION applied to:*

1. **Social innovation**
2. **Health and quality of life, including hospital and home care for elderly**
3. **Agri-food and safe nutrition**
4. **Creative and cultural industry**
5. **Sustainable tourism**
6. **Digital divide**
7. **Climate change resilience**

### *Main objectives*

- ✓ Promote and develop **Transnational S3** on topics focus of the call
- ✓ Increase the level of **uptake of advanced technologies** in topics focus of the call
- ✓ Strengthen the **cooperation among the quadruple helix actors** in the topics focus of the call and promote multi-level governance schemes
- ✓ Support the creation of **new clusters**, including transnational macro-regional ones, **cluster to cluster cooperation** on topics focus of the call
- ✓ Support digital divide reduction and develop **e-services**
- ✓ Face societal challenges, like **demographic change**, through transnationally designed innovations
- ✓ Support the implementation of **EUSAIR macro-region Action Plan and flagships** – ref. to to EUSAIR Pillar 3 and 4 <https://www.adriatic-ionian.eu/eusair-flagships-all-summed-up/>

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**Priority Axis 2 Supporting a greener and climate resilient  
Adriatic-Ionian region - Specific Objective 2.1: Enhancing  
resilience to climate change, natural and man-made disasters  
in the Adriatic- Ionian region**



**MEUR 7,22 - Interreg funds**

**3 actions addressed by the call**

***Thematic focus***

- 1. Climate change adaptation and resilience** with a focus on:
  - ✓ **people's health**
  - ✓ **preservation of natural and cultural heritage urban area**
- 2. marine ecosystems**
- 3. water resources**



**High competition:  
max 6 projects to be funded with maximum  
budget threshold (MEUR 1,2)!**

***Main objectives***

- ✓ Enhancing **resilience to climate change** in the Adriatic- Ionian region
- ✓ Increase **transnational climate change adaptation** solutions in relation to **people's health, preservation of natural and cultural heritage and urban area**
- ✓ Identifying and implementing **related adaptation policies**
- ✓ Support the implementation of **Maritime Spatial Planning, to boost resilience to climate change in marine ecosystems**
- ✓ **Safeguard of water resources** at national, regional and local level
- ✓ Support the implementation of **EUSAIR macro-region Action Plan and flagships** – ref. to EUSAIR Pillar 3 Environmental Quality - <https://www.adriatic-ionician.eu/eusair-flagships-all-summed-up/>

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## ***Priority Axis 2 Supporting a greener and climate resilient Adriatic-Ionian region - S.O. 2.3 Supporting environment preservation and protection in the Adriatic Ionian region***



**MEUR 6,9 - Interreg funds**



***High competition: max 6 projects to be  
funded with maximum budget threshold  
(MEUR 1,2)!***

### **5 actions addressed by the call**

#### ***Thematic focus***

- 1. Biodiversity protection and safeguard, with a focus on:**
  - ✓ underway **marine/natural protected areas**
  - ✓ zero-km food chain, **food safety and quality, sustainable food and traditional agricultural products**
- 2. Air, water and soil **pollution reduction** and impacts on health population**
- 3. Soil and water preservation**
- 4. Sustainable Tourism**

#### ***Main objectives***

- ✓ **Safeguard of nature and biodiversity** on topics focus of the call
- ✓ Support environmental **pollution reduction** for the benefit of population **health**
- ✓ Support **sustainable tourism** through **multi level governance**
- ✓ Support the implementation of **EUSAIR macro-region Action Plan and flagships** – ref. to **EUSAIR Pillar 3 Environmental Quality** <https://www.adriatic-ionian.eu/eusair-flagships-all-summed-up/>

## Priority Axis 3 Supporting a Carbon Neutral and Better-Connected Adriatic-Ionian Region - S.O. 3.1 Strengthening a carbon-neutral smart mobility system region



MEUR 3,7 - Interreg funds



**High competition: max 3 projects to be funded with maximum budget threshold (MEUR 1,2)!**

### 4 actions addressed by the call

#### *Thematic focus*

1. **Intermodal public transport for passengers** at national, regional and local level (not urban)
2. **Transnational Multimodal freight circulation**
3. Intermodal and multimodal **rail–sea** transportation
4. **Accessibility** to TEN-T network with a focus on **peripheral areas**

#### *Main objectives*

- ✓ **Forecast future demand for public transport** in view of the impact caused by **current socio-demographic changes and pandemic situation** on intermodal **national, regional and local mobility**
- ✓ Identify a common **transnational transport policy framework**, supporting the efficiency of freight circulation through action plans tackling **infrastructural, technological, legislative gaps and barriers** Increase **accessibility**, in particular for **peripheral areas**, to support economic development;
- ✓ Support the implementation of **EUSAIR macro-region Action Plan and flagships** – ref to **EUSAIR Pillar 2 Connecting the Region**  
<https://www.adriatic-ionian.eu/eusair-flagships-all-summed-up/>

# IPA ADRION 2<sup>o</sup> call – Application Package



2<sup>nd</sup> call for proposals  
Application Package

- ✓ Call Announcement
- ✓ Application Manual
- ✓ Off-line Application Form
- ✓ Lead Partner and Project Partner's Declaration templates
- ✓ Associated Partners' Declaration of interest template
- ✓ Power of signature template, in case of delegated signatory

In addition:

- ✓ Subsidy Contract Template;
- ✓ Partnership Agreement Template.
- ✓ INTERREG VI-B IPA Adriatic-Ionian Cooperation Programme



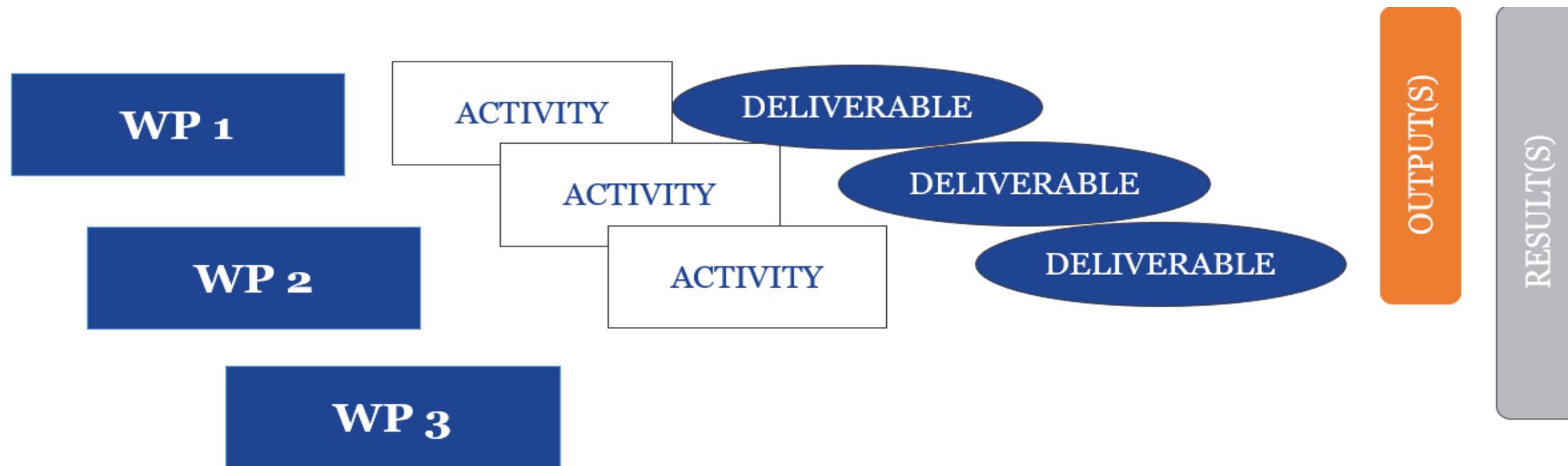
Joint Electronic  
Monitoring  
System (**JEMS**)  
guidance

2<sup>nd</sup> Call Application Package Link: <https://www.interreg-ipa-adrion.eu/calls/2nd-call/>

# IPA ADRION 2°call - Project structure



Project activities shall be organized around Thematic Work Packages (WP)

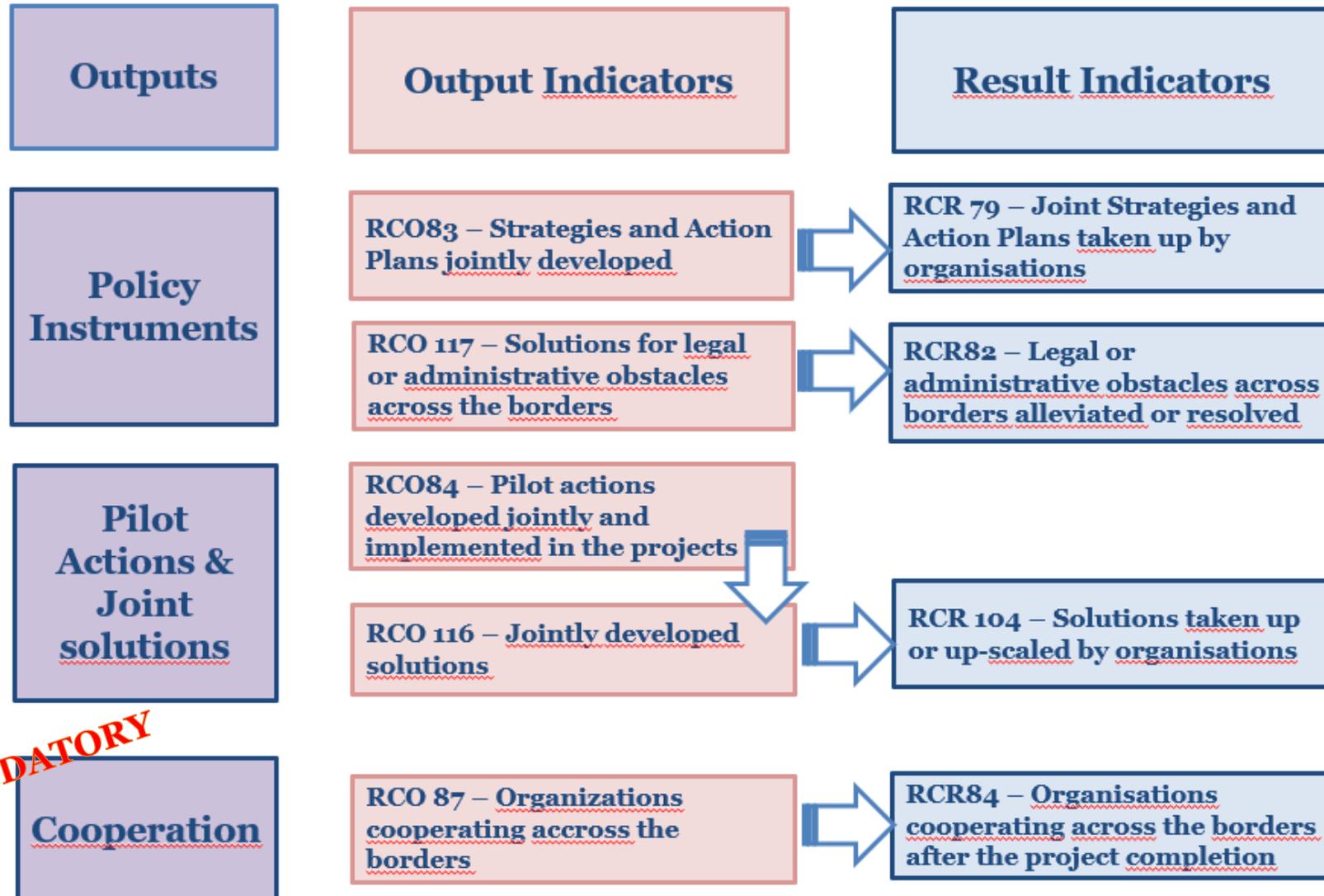


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- ✓ **NO specific WP Project management and WP Communication**, whose activities must be integrated in each work package
  - ✓ **Each WP must include at least one project output**, feeding **output indicators** applicable to the selected S.O.
  - ✓ **Each activity must include at least one deliverable**

# IPA ADRION 2°call - Programme Indicators



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**MANDATORY**

Each project must contribute to **at least to 2 programme output and 2 result indicators** among those applicable to the selected S.O. (ref Annex 1 of the Implementation Manual)

Projects must ensure that **outputs and results are achieved within project lifetime** or three months afterwards at the latest and they must be **lasting after project closure**.

Project outputs and results must be **adequately documented**.

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# **IPA ADRION 2<sup>o</sup> call - Capacity development activities**



## **Compulsory and optional activities to be included in the project proposal**

**A. Capacity development activities (compulsory),**

**B. Activities aimed at strengthening the leverage effects of investments and policy developments (optional)**

# IPA ADRION 2° call - Capacity development activities



**Capacity development** activities (compulsory), supporting EU adhesion process of the IPA participating countries and boosting the cohesion of the ERDF lagging behind partners/areas through knowledge exchange, must be:

- Included in the project proposal, into the most appropriate WP(s), as a **dedicated activity** to be chosen from this **pre-defined list**
- Clearly described in **C.2.7 section** (*How does the project build on available knowledge*) of the AF
- **Functional to the project main topic** and effectively contribute to the achievement of the project objectives
- **Tailored to the territorial needs** and interest of IPA and ERDF lagging behind areas and partners of the project



Type of actions	Description
<b>Territorial peer review</b>	Territorial peer review is addressed to dedicated stakeholders to improve planning and implementation abilities through a process of benchmarking and peer learning. Peer review must involve other public/private institutions located in at least 2 different participating countries of the IPA ADRION Programme area involved in the project, and experts
<b>Partner-to-partner exchange</b>	A partner-to-partner exchange may bring together e.g.: a ministry, a regional administration, a city municipality, a chamber of commerce facing a specific implementation challenge related to a specific topic, and another ministry, regional administration, city municipality or chamber of commerce from a different ERDF participating country with expertise able to tackle the identified challenge. In case the project intends to adopt this tool, at least two partner-to-partner exchange activities must be envisaged in the project proposal
<b>Study visits</b>	A pre-identified group of officials visit another institution in a different IPA ADRION participating country to observe and learn how a policy of interest is implemented. The study visit may last from a minimum of 10 days up to a maximum of 4 months
<b>Seminars, on-line training courses</b>	Seminars and/or on-line training courses are addressed to a <u>number of</u> participants higher than 15. They may be implemented upon condition that territorial peer review and/or partner-to-partner exchange are set in place for the senior level of the institution(s) willing to <u>widening</u> the knowledge to its employees in charge of a certain topic
<b>Tutoring for knowledge sharing</b>	Knowledge sharing is the exchange of information, expertise, or skills. Tutoring for knowledge sharing may be addressed to a <u>number of</u> participants higher than 15 and it may be implemented upon condition that territorial peer review and/or partner-to-partner exchange are set in place for the senior level of the institution(s) willing to <u>widening</u> the knowledge to its employees dealing with a certain topic. Tutoring knowledge sharing may be focused on the reuse of what others have already learned and/or created may be



**Capacity development as such shall not be the focus of a project proposal**



## From A.2 Orientation for designing capacity development actions



### ➤ **Capacity development is not only about training**

Although training individuals, transferring capacity and developing more efficient systems is important, capacity depends more on improved institutional set-up and management that is able to ensure the integration (and internalization) of new abilities, skills and knowledge into everyday work.

### ➤ **Capacity development is not only about individuals**

Capacity development does not only address the strengthening of individual capacity, but also to the capacity of the institutions where individuals work, to transform the acquired skills into an overall institutional capacity.

### ➤ **Performance (in producing pre-defined deliverables) is not capacity development**

Support to change processes is the key to promote capacity, e.g.: engagement in resource mobilisation, motivation, uptake, ownership and accountability. Capacity development is not related to the production of pre-defined deliverables but is the result of a deep internal learning process Clearly described in **C.2.7 section** (*How does the project build on available knowledge*) of the AF



## A.3 Institutional goals supported by capacity development

Institutional capacity development can cover various aspects of an institution's mission, e.g.:

Policy initiative and development Development of corresponding operational strategies to execute them and report on them (incl. identification of financial and managerial resources needed).

Performance-based planning Set-up/mobilization of inputs and tools needed (incl. monitoring and evaluation arrangements, external resources capture) to achieve targets.

Coordination with others as part of a larger network Ensuring recognition of the other institutions' role.  
Capture the interest and commitment of other stakeholders.

Adaptation to shifting needs and environment

Linking the strategic and operational levels



## A.4 Transnational context

Given the transnational context in which the IPA-ADRION programme operates, the participants in the 2nd call for proposals must ensure that the planned capacity development activities of their project proposals are:

- a) Jointly developed and implemented at transnational level and tailored according to the needs of the specific territories and target groups.
- b) Supporting measure for the exploitation of project outputs and results. They must contribute to improving the understanding, knowledge, skills, competences and access to information of targeted stakeholders.

# IPA ADRION 2° call - Capacity development activities



## Don't forget

Capacity development activities are compulsory and must be described in section C.2.7 of the AF and the most appropriate Work Package(s).

Dedicated quality assessment criterion/a shall appraise their effectiveness in relation to the project activities where they are framed.

The type of activities to be included in the workplan are the ones reported in chapter 4, par. 4.2

# IPA ADRION 2<sup>o</sup> call - Leverage effects activity (Optional)



Activities aimed at strengthening the **leverage effects** of investments and policy developments (optional)



IPA ADRION **Leverage effect activities (optional)**, intended as the transnational follow up of **investment path** already initiated/completed by the partners **at local/regional/national level** supported by funds such as mainstream, national, NRRP - National Recovery and Resilient Plan, must be:

- Included in the project proposal, into the most appropriate WP(s), as **a concrete activity** upgrading such initial investment, which must involve **at least 2 project partners**
- Clearly described in **C.2.7 section** (*How does the project build on available knowledge*) of the AF

# IPA ADRION 2<sup>o</sup> call - Leverage effects activity (Optional)



## Activities aimed at strengthening the **leverage effects** of investments and policy developments (optional)

In this context, the transnational IPA ADRION project proposal must demonstrate the upgrade of the initiated path at local level through concrete activities which should bring to dedicated deliverables, in order to broaden the impact within the Programme area.

### **Details on:**

- the ongoing/finalized investment and the related funded sources (e.g. mainstream, national, NRRP or other)
- the need for upgrading or broadening the impact of the ongoing/finalized investment
- Description of how the leverage effect is embedded in the workplan. (section C.2.7 and the dedicated activity).

## IPA ADRION 2<sup>o</sup> call - Leverage effects activity (Optional)



### Activities aimed at strengthening the **leverage effects** of investments and policy developments (optional)

The leverage effect strengthening is an optional project activity to be included in the most appropriate Work Package(s).

As an optional project activity, it will not contribute to the strategic qualitative assessment, but it may increase the project's overall final score by a maximum of 3 points, provided that the project is assessed positively from a strategic point of view.



**3 points** can be assigned if positively assessed on condition that the proposal passed strategic assessment

# Assessment process

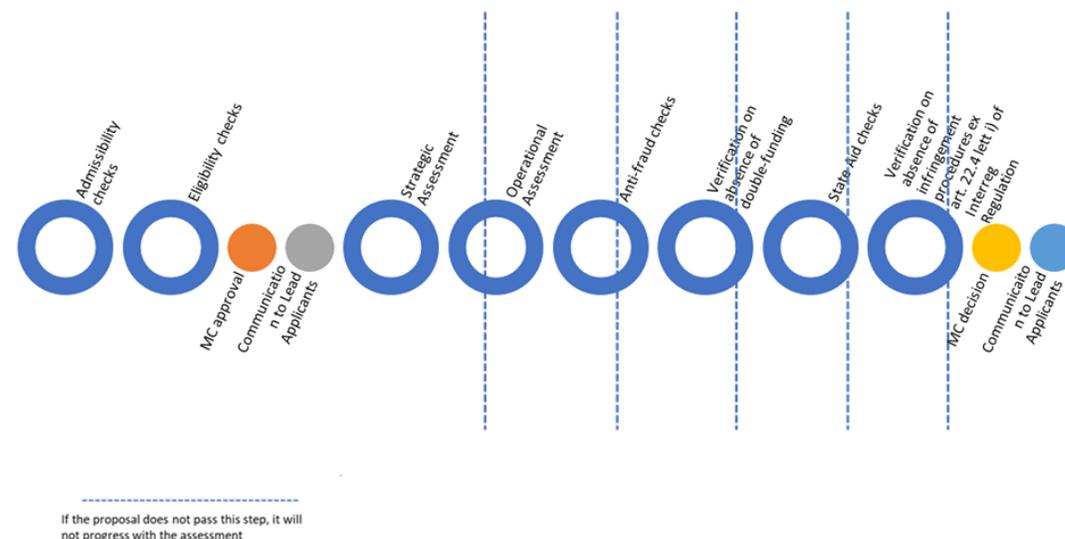


Each Project proposal will be checked against several requirements:

- ✓ Formal requirements (ref. Annex 3 – Admissibility and eligibility grids of the Application Manual) – JS double checks
- ✓ Quality requirements (ref. Annex 4 – Quality assessment grid of the Application Manual) – JS + external expert double assessment
- ✓ Absence of fraudulent behaviours - MA/relevant national authorities with the support of the NCPs
- ✓ Absence of double funding (Interreg EURO MED and DANUBE Programmes) – JS
- ✓ Absence of state aid relevance – external expert
- ✓ Absence of infringements procedures – MA in cooperation with NCPs

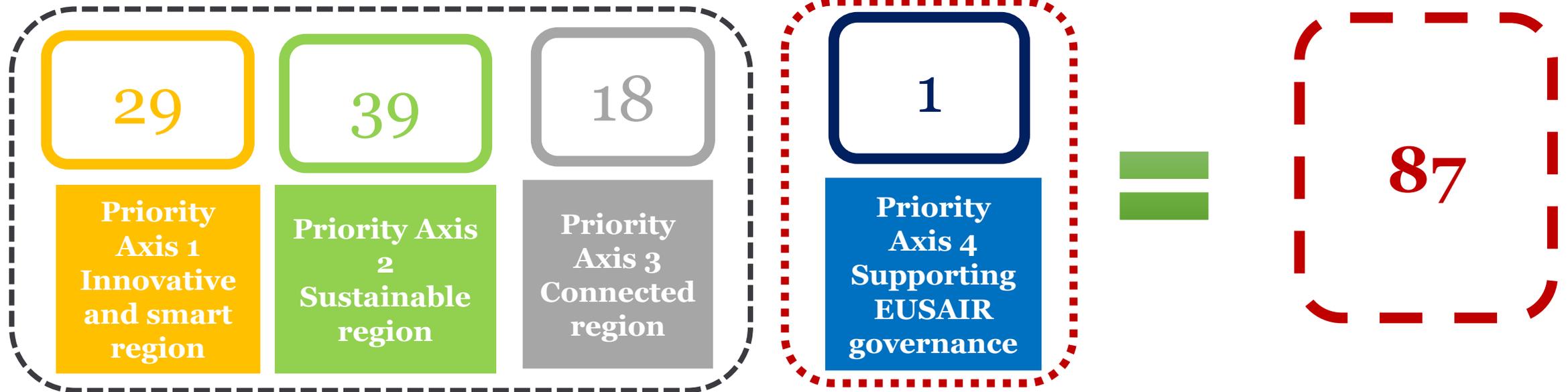
Only those project proposals which pass each specific assessment step, will progress to the further one.

Depending on the number of received applications, overall assessment expected to be finalized by **mid 2026**.





# 2014-2020 ADRION experience





*For more information:*

*[www.adrioninterreg.eu/index.php/results/projects/project-websites/](http://www.adrioninterreg.eu/index.php/results/projects/project-websites/)*

*<https://digitalibrary.adrioninterreg.eu/>*

*<https://keep.eu>*

## Some tips in view of the submission of the project proposals



- ✓ Carefully **read the application package and the other supporting material** and take profit from the services offered by the programme, including consultation
- ✓ Verify whether the **call requirements fit with your project idea, partnership and the capacity of all the actors involved** (e.g.: do not submit research projects, “enlarged” cross-border proposals, proposal not matching with the eligible actions)
- ✓ **Be as precise, accurate and detailed as possible** (project proposal as unique source of information for the assessment)
- ✓ While drafting the project proposal, **consider the quality criteria your proposal must comply with**
- ✓ **Involve and commit your partners** from the very first steps
- ✓ **Do not underestimate formal requirements**
- ✓ **Do not wait the last days to submit your project proposals**

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## Project partnership and budget requirements





- ✓ Established under the **national law** of the one of the 10 Programme participating countries
- ✓ **Have their legal and operational seats and their seat of operations** in the IPA ADRION eligible area (**with exception of assimilated partners**)
- ✓ Be endowed with **legal personality**



**National, regional and local public bodies, and their associations**



**Bodies governed by public law (BGPL) and their associations** (ref. to Article 2(1) of *Directive 2014/24/EU* on public procurement)



**European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation (EGTC)**



**International organisations** acting under the national law of one of the IPA ADRION participating countries



**Private bodies**

**Lead Partner** can be:

- ✓ **Any of the above listed organizations, including assimilated, with the exception of private bodies**
- ✓ **Located in one of the ERDF or IPA participating countries of the programme area**

The eligibility of the partners will be checked with the support of the **National Contact Points**



## IPA ADRION 2° call – Assimilated & Associated partners



### Assimilated partners

**Italian public or BGPL** authorities/bodies located outside Programme area **but** competent in their **scope of action for Italian Programme eligible area** (e.g. ministries located in Rome)

### Associated partners

- ✓ No budget partner, with scientific supervisory role, whose travel expenditures are paid by the project partner to which it is associated
- ✓ Must be **located in EU (all countries) or IPA countries of the IPA ADRION Programme area**



Respect of “**reputational conditions**” – **i.e. unreliable financial behaviour detected in** previous or current participation in other Interreg programmes (i.e.: failure to reimburse another partner or the Managing Authority of another Interreg Programme).



An eligible partnership must comprise at least **4 project partners** from **4 different Programme participating countries**, out of which:

**ERDF countries:**  
Croatia, Greece, Italy,  
Slovenia

At least **2 project partners** from **2 different ERDF** participating countries

**+ SAN MARINO**  
(partner or associated partner)

**IPA countries:** Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Albania

At least **2 project partners** from **2 different IPA** participating countries



**It is recommended to involve maximum 8 financing project partners per project**



## LIMITATIONS

**Participation of maximum 2 project partners, including Lead Partner, per each Programme participating country**

**Participation of the same organization in maximum 2 projects, out of which only one as Lead Partner**

This means, that **each organization** may be involved in:

- **1 project proposal as Lead Partner + 1 project proposal as Project Partner; or**
- **2 project proposals as Project Partner.**

Beneficiaries are identified through VAT or "other identification number" as reported in AF;  
In case such limitations are not respected, the eligibility of the partner will be determined by the time of submission via JEMS of the project proposal

***The ineligibility of the project partner might bring to the ineligibility of the entire project proposal***

# «3E» principles



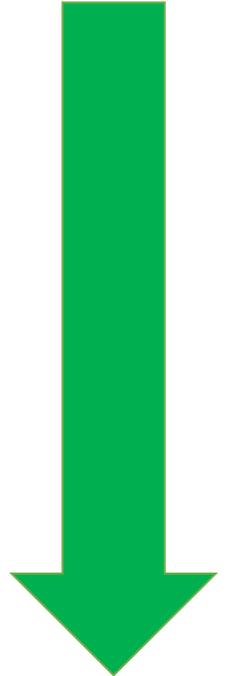
## Sound financial management

•Source: Reg.(EU) 2018/1046

- **Economy** – it requires that the resources used by the beneficiary in the pursuit of its activities shall be made available in due time, in appropriate quantity and quality and at the best price.

- **Efficiency** - it concerns the best relationship between the resources employed, the activities undertaken and the achievement of objectives.

- **Effectiveness** - it concerns the extent to which the objectives pursued are achieved through the activities undertaken.



OUTPUTS  
RESULTS

# Hierarchy of rules on eligibility of expenditure



## EU LEGAL FRAMEWORK

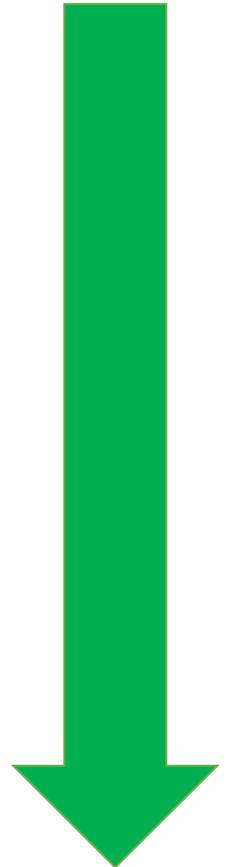
### PROGRAMME RULES

- Established jointly by the programme participating countries;
- Apply to the programme as a whole;
- Without prejudice to the rules on EU level.

### NATIONAL RULES

For any other matters not covered by EU rules and programme rules.

Stricter rules in areas prescribed by EU rules.



# Cost categories



- 1. Staff costs;**
- 2. Office and administration costs;**
- 3. Travel and accommodation costs;**
- 4. External expertise and services costs;**
- 5. Equipment costs.**



# Available simplified costs options (SCOs)

## Staff costs

- Flat rate of 20% of the direct costs other than staff costs

## Office and administrative costs

### **MANDATORY**

- Flat rate of 15% of eligible staff costs

Flat rate calculation for the following categories: Office and administrative, Travel and Accommodation, External expertise and services and Equipment

- Flat rate of 40% of direct staff costs



# Available simplified costs options (SCOs)

**Travel and accommodation costs**– available 2 different rates for ERDF partners and IPA partners:

- 10% FLAT RATE of staff costs for ERDF partners
- 15% FLAT RATE of staff costs for IPA partners

**Preparation costs**

- LUMP SUM = 14.200 EUR at project level

Programme **strongly recommends** use of **Simplified costs options (SCOs)**.

# Budgeting options – PARTNER BUDGET



BUDGET LINES	OPTION 1	OPTION 2	OPTION 3	OPTION 4	OPTION 5
1. Staff costs	REAL COSTS	20% FLAT RATE of other DIRECT costs	REAL COSTS	REAL COSTS	20% FLAT RATE of other DIRECT costs
2. Office and administrative costs	40% FLAT RATE of Staff costs	15% FLAT RATE of Staff costs	15% FLAT RATE of Staff costs	15% FLAT RATE of Staff costs	15% FLAT RATE of Staff costs
3. Travel and accommodation costs		15% FLAT RATE of Staff costs (IPA) OR 10% FLAT RATE of Staff costs (ERDF)	REAL COSTS	15% FLAT RATE of Staff costs (IPA) OR 10% FLAT RATE of Staff costs (ERDF)	REAL COSTS
4. External expertise and services costs		REAL COSTS	REAL COSTS	REAL COSTS	REAL COSTS
5. Equipment costs		REAL COSTS	REAL COSTS	REAL COSTS	REAL COSTS



# Budgeting options- examples



BUDGET LINES	OPTION 1	OPTION 2	OPTION 3	OPTION 4	OPTION 5
1. Staff costs	215.000 EUR	48.000 EUR (20% FLAT of other direct costs)	150.000 EUR	100.000 EUR	50.100 EUR (20% FLAT of other direct costs)
2. Office and administrative costs	86.000 EUR (FLAT RATE 40% of Staff costs)	7.200 EUR (15% FLAT of Staff costs)	22.500 EUR (15% FLAT of Staff costs)	15.000 EUR (15% FLAT of Staff costs)	7.515 EUR (15% FLAT of Staff costs)
3. Travel and accommodation costs		4.800 EUR (10% FLAT of Staff costs)	10.500 EUR	10.000 EUR (10% FLAT of Staff costs, ERDF partner)	10.500 EUR
4. External expertise and services costs		140.000 EUR	50.000 EUR	100.000 EUR	140.000 EUR
		100.000 EUR	67.000 EUR	70.000 EUR	100.000 EUR
5. Equipment costs					
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>301.000</b>	<b>300.000</b>	<b>300.000</b>	<b>295.000</b>	<b>308.115</b>

# Monitoring of the performance and mid-term review



- Each granted project shall be subject to 18 months midterm review aimed at measuring interim achievements.
- The maximum acceptable Interreg budget underspending after three reporting periods (i.e.: after 18 months' implementation) is of 20% of the spending forecast. An underspending rate higher than the threshold above, may bring to the project Interreg budget reduction for the exceeding percentage. Budget reduction shall be approved by the MC.
- In case the Programme suffers from decommitment, further budget revision could be envisaged.

**The project assessment shall negatively consider eventual artificial budget shifting to the very last project periods to avoid the possible budget revision; this means that the distribution of the budget through periods must mirror the activities to be implemented in each period.**

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