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"Strategic Project Selection Procedure/Criteria"

Joint Secretariat / Managing Authority of Interreg IPA CBC Programme "Greece - Albania 2014 - 2020 "

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Evaluation Methodology and Selection Criteria

- Potential beneficiaries submit their proposals to the Joint Secretariat (JS)/ Managing Authority (MA).
- After submission each project proposal is evaluated based on specific selection procedure.
- The evaluation procedure is carried out by JS with the support of Albanian Operating Structure (OS) and external experts, if necessary.
- The project proposals are evaluated by two assessors.
- The JS examines different sets of criteria in two phases:
 - 1st phase (administrative & eligibility criteria)
 - 2nd phase (quality assessment of the project)





The max and min Total Score that a proposal can have is :

The maximum total score is 140 points.

The minimum total score is 77 points.



1st Phase



Administrative criteria (YES / NO / NA)

- The proposal has been submitted within the deadline.
- The application package is **complete** and **conforms** to the requirements set in the respective call.

Eligibility criteria (YES / NO)

The proposal meets the minimum requirements of the call For example the structure of the cross-border partnership, the compatibility with the Programme objectives and principles, etc.

Projects, which **fail** to fulfill these criteria, will **be excluded** from the 2nd phase of evaluation

2nd Phase - Quality Assessment

The quality assessment is based on a scoring system

Content-related criteria

Score max 80 points - min 45 points

Implementation – related criteria

Score max 60 points - min 32 points

2nd Phase – Content related criteria

- Relevance & Strategy (max 10 points)
- Outcomes (max 46 points)
- Added Value (max 20 points)
- Communication (max 4 points)



2nd Phase – Implementation related criteria

- Quality of the partnership (max 20 points)
- Quality of management (max 7 points)
- Quality of the methodological approach concerning the content of the project (max 16 points)
- Budget and finance (max 17 points)



S.E.A. COMPATIBILITY (STRATEGIC ENVIROMENTAL ASSESMENT)

- Projects need to be compatible with the approved S.E.A.
- Identification of expected consequences of the project
- Classification of consequences (neutral, positive, negative)
- Not used for project scoring purposes

Evaluation Procedure

- At the end of the evaluation process, the Joint Secretariat draws up a shortlist ranking the proposals per priority axis (from the highest score downward).
- The Managing Authority ensures that the evaluation procedure is carried out in accordance to the requirements of the Call for strategic projects and the approved selection criteria.
- The MA/JS submits to the Joint Monitoring Committee for approval: 3.







Evaluation Procedure

To be financed by the Programme a proposal must be evaluated with :

- a total score equal or higher than 77 points
- a score higher than 0 at any sub criterion of the project quality section (Content related criteria)
- a score equal or higher than 45 points set in the project quality section (Content related criteria)
- a score equal or higher than 32 points set in the Project quality section (Implementation related criteria)

Evaluation Procedure



To be financed by the Programme a proposal must be:

placed into a ranking list (taking into account the score and the budget available for each specific objective).





Useful Hints

- Link your project idea to the Programme (PA, Specific objective, Results)
- Examine the Evaluation Sheet
- Take into account Project and Programme Indicators measurements of your actions and their effect – Proposals should be result oriented!



For more information:

- Managing Authority's website at: www.interreg.gr
- Programme's website at: http://www.greece-albania.eu
- website of the Ministry of European Integration of Albania at: www.integrimi.gov.al



Thank you for your attention!

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