Interreg - IPA CBC Greece - Albania

Information and Publicity

Managing Authority of European Territorial **Cooperation Programmes** Interreg IPA CBC Programme "Greece - Albania 2014 - 2020 "



by the European Union

and by National Funds

The Programme is co-funded



Legal Basis

- REG EU 996/2012
- REG EU 1303/2013
- REG EU 1299/2013
- REG EU 231/2014
- REG EC 447/2014
- DEC C 5482/2015
- European Transparency Initiative
- The Communication Strategy of the IPA II CBC Programme "Greece - Albania 2014-2020"
- Communication and Visibility Manual for EU External Actions

Information and Publicity Guide

- It was prepared so that all bodies involved in Projects under the IPA CBC Programme "Greece Albania 2014 2020" will be in a position to comply with EU Regulations and Guidelines regarding their communication activities.
- It is designed to ensure that EU funded actions incorporate I&P activities towards awareness raising on the actions and EU support for these actions, as well as the results and impact of this support.

Information and Publicity Guide

- It establishes the conditions and procedure for the notification and disclosure of the use of the Programme's funds and for marking the objects financed by them.
- Co-funded projects enable the EU to demonstrate in a practical way how the EU impacts on the every-day lives of citizens → I&P Guide will assist the beneficiaries to achieve this goal.

Overall Aim of I&P actions

- Acknowledge the role of the EU funds
- Acknowledge the importance of the support provided by the EU
- Promote an understanding of the objectives and achievements of interventions co-funded by the EU

General Objectives of I&P actions

The I&P actions implemented in the framework of a project should aim at the following:

- Awareness: Highlighting the role of the EU and SF of the EU for the general public and the promotion of the added value of Community participation in the co-funded projects.
- Transparency: as far as access to the Funds is concerned.
- Equal opportunities and non-discrimination: ensuring accessibility and as far as visibility is concerned.

Programme's Name

Interreg IPA Cross-border Cooperation Programme "Greece - Albania 2014 - 2020"

Use it correctly!

Programme's Logo



Project Logo

- Each project should have its own brand identity that will be used to all material/activities/ deliverables implemented in the framework of the IPA CBC Programme "Greece Albania 2014 2020".
- There should also explicit reference to EU contribution and relevant financing sources.
- The MA/ JS shall provide the beneficiaries with respective graphic design to be elaborated.

Project Logo

- ▶ IPA CBC Programme "Greece Albania 2014 2020" participates in the INTERACT initiative for a common branding in all levels.
- The Logo should be as follows:



PROJECT ACRONYM

Reference of EU and sources of financing

The Project is co-funded by the European Union and by National Funds of Greece & Albania







- All projects or activities financed by the Programme funds should be marked with the Project/ Programme and EU logo, including:
 - Buildings
 - Events
 - Machinery
 - Equipment
 - Publications, any type of documents
 - Information and advertising material
 - Digital information carriers and material
 - Television shows, articles and other texts in a technically possible and suitable manner
 - Advertisements in print or digital media
 Souvenirs

- The logo must be placed on all documents and certificated to be distributed during implementation or as a result of a project to participants or to the public.
- All information and communication material (newsletters, brochures, leaphlets, pamphets) must contain a clear indication of EU participation on the title page.
- Publications should include reference to the body responsible for the content.

- On digital information carriers the logo is placed on the front page, in introductory scene/ picture and also in the packaging.
- The beneficiaries are obliged to send any I&P material to the Communication Officer of the JS and/or MA.
- The use of the EU emblem only is recommended in case of small promotional objects, where space is limited.

- The logo must be placed on an object financed from or completed with the help of Programme funds.
- Constructions or other activities: immediately after the starting of the activities.
- Event: location must be marked for the whole duration of the event.

- The marking must be legible and correct for at least 5 years after the last eligible date of project activities.
- In case the marking is damaged before the period of marking expires, the Project Beneficiary must be replaced.
- Project beneficiaries have to retain sample copies of material, advertisements or other similar objects or photos or other evidence to prove correct marking.

Sticker

- Small objects → 50x20mm
- Larger object → 120x50mm

Information sign

- Buildings, rooms, facilities, etc. rented, purchased, built, renovated or furnished with the help of Programme funds
- 220x150mm
- In case of infrastructure or construction with total budget below 500.000,00 €

Billboard

- Infrastructure or construction with total budget larger than 500.000,00 €
- Set in a place visible by the public, close to the object
- Logo of the programme will cover at least 25% of the billboard
- Minimum size 1500x1000mm
- Must be made of durable and waterproof material

- Board of gratitude
 - Acquiring an object or financing infrastructure or construction object with total budget larger than 500.000,00 €
 - Six months after acquiring the object or completing the works
 - The billboard will be replaced with a board of gratitude within 6 months after completing the works

- In a visible place located on the object, in close vicinity or at a location connected to it
- Logo will cover at least 25%
- Completion date
- 700x450mm
- Must be made of durable and waterproof material in case of outdoor use
- Must be retained at least 5 years after the project closure

The logo must be always visible!!

Mandatory I&P outputs

- Project Communication Plan
- Development of a project website
- At least 1 publication (brochure, booklet) with the results of the project
- Organisation of 1 final public event

Project Communication Plan

- Detailed, internal plan for Information & Publicity
- Immediately after the project is approved
- In English
- Should be submitted to the JS with the 1st Progress Report
- Template available in Annex III of I&P Guide

Project Website

- Shall be launched within the first 6 months after Subsidy Contract is signed.
- Shall remain online at least 2 years after project's closure.
- Shall be launched at least in the Programme's official language (English).

Project website

- Should provide information on the project:
 - Project content
 - Duration
 - Budget
 - Partnership
- It is suggested to run under its own domain (eg www.projectname.eu).
- It shall not be part of an institutional website.

Project Website

- The Interreg Project Logo + textual reference to the sources of financing must appear in the homepage (front page) of the project website.
- Disclaimer on the bottom:

This webpage has been produced with the financial assistance of the European Union. The content of the webpage are the sole responsibility of <beneficiary's name> and can in no way be taken to reflect the views of the European Union, the participating countries and the Managing Authority.

Project Website

- Availability of at least to links of the following websites:
 - The Programme's website: www.greece-albania.eu
 - The website dedicated to the EU Regional Policy: <u>http://ec.europea.eu/regional_policy/index_en.htm</u>
 - The institutional websites of the beneficiaries (if applicable)

Project result booklet

- At least one leaflet/ booklet, including and spreading the project results
- At least in Programme's official language (english)
- Logo + textual reference for financing sources (cover page or back page)
- Disclaimer:

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Public final event

- A public final event should be held at least the in the Programme's official language.
- Inform the target groups on the results achieved during project implementation.
- Logo and textual reference to financing sources should appear in all documents, publications, presentations or other material available during the event.

Non-mandatory outputs

Media relations

- Highly recommended and expected
- Essential tool for reaching the general public
- Project newsletter
- Production of gadgets & promotion material
- Promotional film or picture presentations
- Photos
- Radio spots, etc
- Social media
 - It is very demanding
 - Strong commitment from beneficiaries' side

Application of Visual Identity Elements

Leaflets & Brochures

- Interreg Project Logo
- Textual reference to the sources of financing with the flags of EU and the two participating countries
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Stationary Sets

- Includes: letterheads, envelopes, business cards, folders, etc.
- Interreg Project Logo
- Textual Reference to the sources of financing with the flags of the EU and the two participating countries
- In case of a very small surface, the use of the EU emblem only is expected.

Event/ Promotinal materials

- Includes: Posters, banners, roll-ups, pop-up stands, t-shirts, caps, pens, bags etc.
- Interreg Project Logo
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Newsletters/ Press Releases/ Announcements

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Notices of Competition Calls for Tenders

- Interreg Project Logo
- Textual reference to the sources of financing with the flags of EU and the two participating countries

Radio Spots

- Verbal transmission of the phrase: The Project is co-funded by the European Union and by National Funds of the countries participating in the Interreg IPA CBC Programme "Greece - Albania 2014 - 2020".
- In case the radio spot is transmitted in the official language of one of the participating countries, project beneficiaries are requestes to consult the JS Communication Officer beforehand for translation-related guidance.

Photos

- "Before" and "after" photos (where applicable)
- Those which best illustrate the project
- Illustrate the essence of the project
- Contain where possible programme and project logos in background
- Include a caption
- Mention the name of the organisation or person that owns the copyright of the picture

Gender Equality/ Non-discrimination

Non-discrimination:

- Prohibition of any discrimination based on any ground such as sex, race, colour, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, religion or belief, political or any other opinion, membership of a national minority, property, birth, disability, age or sexual orientation.
- Ensure that disabled people can access the communication channels and that there are no barriers that prevent this.
- Accessibility of venues
- Accessibility of information material
- Accessibility of information on the web

Social Responsibility

- Integrate social and environmental concerns in their project implementation
- Sustainable event management:
 - produce an event with particular concern for environmental, economic and social issues.
 - Socially and environmentally responsible decision making into the planning, oerganisation and implementation of - and participation in - an event.

Partner Search Facility

Partner Search facility is available at website of the Programme.

Project Idea Form → an excel file → the beneficiairies fill it in → send it to JTS email: jts_gral@mou.gr → the Project Idea is included in the Project Ideas List!

Project Idea List → All project ideas received by the JTS will be included in the List! The Project Ideas List will be updated once a week, if there are any additions!

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Thank you for your attention!