



Task Force call for small-scale projects in priority 4 - elaboration of ToR - 2nd meeting

14 December 2023 | 9:00-10:35 | Online

Minutes

List of participants

See below (Annex 1).

Welcome

The chair (Christina Bauer, in substitution of Michaela Künzl) welcomed the participants and introduced the aims of the meeting.

Item 1: Review of the draft Terms of reference (ToR)

The JS introduced the 2nd version of Terms of reference (ToR), comprising all inputs received at the first TF meeting. Participants were invited to discuss the document. The following general comments were made by CH:

- To limit the use of the term “place-based” and, when relevant, prefer a reference to the territory.
- To condense the text of the ToR, e.g. the introductory part in order to keep the document compact and simple.

The majority of the comments made concerned the “Our expectations” section of the document. The following main points were addressed:

- Regarding the reference to “project intervention areas” (top of p. 5), FR proposed to underline in the document that interaction is possible even without direct geographical proximity, and suggested a formulation taken from an Interact paper which reads: “for transnational cooperation with not necessarily adjacent cooperation areas, functionalities can be found especially from joint



characteristics, joint challenges and development potentials".

- The first indicative action was reformulated as follows: "Set-up or consolidate transnational networks and systems for effective governance".
- FR suggested adding a specific reference to "replicability" and "transferability" of innovative solutions in the sixth indicative activity, which was reformulated as follows: "Capitalise, replicate or transfer innovative solutions from territories to increase their use and create impact".

The changes above and further minor edits (e.g. underlining the governance focus of the call) proposed by the participants were directly integrated in the file during the meeting and agreed upon. The two general comments mentioned above will be considered when finalizing the ToR (version 3).

Item 2: Selection criteria and programme manual

The introduction of small scale projects dedicated to governance issues implies the edit of the programme manual (and the annex IIb on selection criteria for small-scale projects - SSP), in particular:

- Programme manual: update of section A3 "typology of projects", including expectations for small scale governance projects.
- Annex IIb: specification of the selection criteria for "governance" SSP in the clusters "1. Project relevance", "4. Partnership relevance" and "6. Communication". A first reformulation proposal was shown at the meeting.

Item 3: Next steps

The ToR (version 3), updated with the abovementioned inputs, will be tabled for PC decision at its meeting in January (23-24 January 2024). The ambition is to have the ToR approved during the PC14 meeting and published in February. If so, the call could be announced / presented at the kick-off event of the Slovene presidency of EUSALP on February 1st. Further elements of the call timeline are available in the presentation (annex 2).

Edits to the programme manual (incl. selection criteria) will be presented for decision at the PC14 meeting. If needed, a decision per WP or an e-meeting could be planned in February 2024.

The JS/MA shared the next events on the agenda:

- Lead Applicant Seminar Call 2: 6-7 February 2024 in Salzburg. The afternoon of the 7th will be dedicated to an ACP MA-JS meeting to reach common understanding on the ToR for "governance"



SSP, for optimal guidance of applicants.

- o Idea Lab Event Call SSP Priority 4: 9-10 April 2024 (date tbc) to convene relevant stakeholders for project idea generation. If possible in Vienna (tbc) to offer a meeting place easily reachable from all alpine areas and as alternative to Salzburg where most meetings/events take place.

TF decision

The revised ToR (version 3) will be sent to the PC on 9 January 2024 and tabled for decision at the PC14 meeting in January (23-24.01.2024). The same applies to the PM & its annexes.

Annexes

Annex 1: List of participants

Annex 2: Presentation

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Country or Body	Name	Institution
CH	Rieben, Sébastien	Federal Office for Spatial Development ARE
CH	Jost, Silvia	Federal Office for Spatial Development ARE
CH	Markovic, Luana	Federal Office for Spatial Development ARE
FR	Poupart, Sara	Région Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes
IT	Giulimondi, Massimo	Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Department for Cohesion Policies
IT	Pellegrino, Cristina	Lombardy Region
LI	Caduff, Henrik	Office of Building Construction and Spatial Planning
SI	Kobe, Nadja	Ministry of Cohesion and Regional Development
AC - Observer	Mayrhofer, Wolfger	Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention
MA	Bauer, Christina	Managing Authority, Land Salzburg
JS	Fleury, Thomas	Joint Secretariat, Land Salzburg
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ITEM 1 - TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

Agreement on Terms of Reference - ToR



Walk through the file gathering input for consolidation:

Terms of reference v2



ITEM 2 - NEXT STEPS

Timing & documents for PC decision



Decision PC13:

“ The timeline will be announced after PC14 meeting whereas the ToR will be published in spring 2024.”

Timeline for the call:

PC14 (24.01.2024)

- **Plan A:** call opening on JEMS (May -> end of June) -> PC decision October 2024
- **Plan B:** call opening on Jems (September -> Mid-October) -> PC decision December 2024

ToR (decision):

PC14 (24.01.2024) or WP/e-meeting

Programme manual (incl. selection criteria)

PC14 (24.01.2024) or WP/e-meeting

Selection criteria and programme manual



Applicable selection criteria

- Keep criteria clusters weighting as defined for SPP in PM Annex IIb.

<u>Assessment criteria clusters</u>			
<u>Strategic assessment criteria</u>	<u>70 points</u>	<u>Operational assessment criteria</u>	<u>30 points</u>
Project relevance	25	Work plan	15
Cooperation character	15	Communication	8
Project intervention logic	15	Budget	7
Partnership relevance	15		
<u>Total: 100 points</u>			

- Specify criteria for “governance” SSP in clusters “1. Project relevance”, “4. Partnership relevance” and “6. Communication”

Update of the programme manual section A3 “typology of projects”

Support quality project generation



07 February 2024:

JS/MA ACP meeting to reach common understanding for optimal guidance

03/04 April 2024 (tbc):

Project “ideas lab” event in Vienna (tbc)



ITEM 3 - AOB
