## **DECISION**



## **JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE**

under Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme Written procedure No. 66, initiated on 12 July 2022

## 1. Description:

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The Written procedure for approval of the Pre-contracting report with projects provisionally selected for financing from the reserve list under the Second Call for Proposals No 2014TC16I5CB007 – 2018 – 2 and proposed measures concerning the implementation of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme 2014-2020, was initiated by the Deputy Co-chairperson of the JMC on 12.07.2022.

As a results, the projects, provisionally selected for financing are as follows:

- CB007.2.12.070 (Lead partner No Frontiers 21 Century Association)

   with final score of 80,50 points on the total amount of 183 142,72 euro;
- CB007.2.22.162 (Lead partner Community Center "Geo Milev -1954") - with final score of 78,50 points on the total amount of 121 671,54 euro;
- CB007.2.32.066 (Lead partner The Timok Club) with final score of 91,00 points on the total amount of 101 675,53 euro;
- CB007.2.32.046 (Lead partner Vidin Chamber of Commerce and Industry) - with final score of 90,50 points on the total amount of 162 358,43 euro.

It is also proposed additional pre-contracting procedures with the projects from the general ranking list under PA1, PA 2 and PA3 (in descending order) within the approved over-contracting and up to the full absorption of funds under the Programme, carried out as follows:

- First stage each applicant shall confirm (in written) to implement the
  project with the available financial resources (or to co-finance up to
  the requested budget) and within the specified period for project
  implementation of 12 months;
- Second stage the results from the pre-contracting procedures to be submitted to the JMC for approval prior to signature of the subsidy contracts.

In regard to the approaching deadline for the implementation of the Programme and the period for eligibility of expenditure till 31.12.2023 the following amendments in the subsidy contract templates are proposed:

- In Article 10 "Rights and duties of the LP" is included a new point 7
  "The LP ensure the strict observance of the terms, specified in art. 7,
  Art. 8 and Art. 9 of this contract in connection with the submission of
  project progress report, the submission of requests for verification of
  expenditures by the controller and the submission of Requests for
  payment";
- In Article 11 "Rights and duties of the MA" a points 8 and 9 regarding temporary suspension of the project implementation is excluded due to the period for eligibility of expenditure till 31.12.2023. The temporary suspension of the project implementation is possible in line with requirements of the Article 21 "Force majeure";
- in Article 11 "Rights and duties of the MA" is included a new point 8
   "The MA may refuse to reimburse costs in cases of non-compliance

with the deadlines specified in Art. 7, Art. 8 and Art. 9 of this contract, at submission of project progress report, the submission of requests for verification of expenditures by the controller and the submission of Requests for payment".

The official letter No. 99-00-2-169/11.07.2022 with proposal for approval of the above mentioned Pre-contracting report and measures concerning the Programme implementation, was sent to the JMC members via the Management Information System of the Programme, for review and approval.

The JMC members were given 5 working days to send their approval or comments on the proposed documents. Only opinions of approval were received.

## 2. Decisions:

JMC approves the Pre-contracting report of the projects provisionally selected for financing under the Second Call for proposals and the above proposed measures concerning implementation of the Programme and gives mandate to the Managing Authority to proceed with signature of subsidy contracts for implementation of the projects approved for financing.

The hereby Decision enters into force on 19 July 2022 - the date following the deadline for submission of objections / additional proposals from the JMC members.

3. Attachments:

Pre-contracting Report - Second Call.

Signatures:

for BULGARIA

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