

JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE
under Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme
Written procedure No. 8, initiated on 06 January 2017

1. Description:

The Written procedure for approval of the suspension of the financing of project proposal No CB007.1.11.268 under the First Call for proposals the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme 2014-2020 was initiated by the Co-chairperson of the Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) from Bulgarian side on 06 January 2017. The official letter No. 99-00-2-17/06.01.2017 was sent to the JMC members via the JMC section of the internet site of the Programme, for review and approval.

The JMC members were given 10 working days to send their approval or comments on the proposals. Within the set deadline remarks, including opinions for approval by the representatives of the Ministry of Labor and Social Policy of the Republic of Bulgaria and the District Administration of Pernik, and a proposal for cancellation of the written procedure from the Co-chairperson of the JMC from Serbian side were received. The proposal for cancellation of the written procedure and the opinion of the Managing Authority had been included in a Table with received comments, which was sent to the JMC on 23 January 2017.

The requested documents for the subsidy contract under project proposal No CB007.1.11.268 were received by the Managing Authority on 27 January 2017, within a 5-day period for final approval of the JMC Decision. In accordance with the position of the Managing Authority submitted on 23 January 2017, the JMC members were informed about receipt of the documents on 7 February 2017. Since the administrative check of the submitted documents revealed that there are some discrepancies between the information in the construction permit and the approved project proposal, with regard to the investment activities of the Lead partner - Touristic Organization of Nis, the JMC was also informed that detailed check of the respective technical documentation should be performed by the National Authority, in order to confirm compliance of the documents with the rules laid down in the Guidelines for Applicants for the 1st Call for Proposals.

The official answer of the National Authority with attached letter from the Lead partner under the project was received by the Managing Authority on 22 March 2017.

Based on the National Authority position after performed additional checks of the documentation, and considering the fact, that currently the whole set of documents for signature of a contract under project No CB007.1.11.268 is available, it can be concluded, that the identified discrepancies do not lead to substantial changes in the approved project proposal. Given the above the written procedure for suspension of the financing of project proposal No CB007.1.11.268 "Increasing the tourist information services in the CBC region" to be cancelled and the Managing Authority to proceed to signature of the contract.

2. Decisions:

JMC decided the written procedure for suspension of the financing of project proposal No CB007.1.11.268 under the First Call for proposals the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia Programme 2014-2020 to be cancelled and entrusts the Managing Authority to proceed with signature of a subsidy contract.

The hereby Decision enters into force on the 12 April 2017 - the date following the deadline for submission of objections / additional proposals from the JMC members on the proposal for cancellation of the written procedure.

3. Attachments:

1. Official letter of the Co-chairperson of the JMC from Bulgarian side for initiation of the JMC written procedure;
2. Official letter of the Co-chairperson of the JMC from Bulgarian side for cancellation of the JMC written procedure;
3. Official letter of the Co-chairperson of the JMC from Serbian side related to discrepancies revealed during the administrative check of the documents submitted by the Lead partner of project CB007.1.11.268;
4. Table with received comments.

Signatures:

for BULGARIA:



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Co-chairperson of JMC
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for SERBIA:



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