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Open call for applications for projects and project platforms



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Dear Friends of Cooperation,

Autumn is approaching with its magical misty mornings and the enchanting red and orange foliage. The new season opens up to new opportunities in our Programme: during the meeting on 27-28 September in Turku, Finland, the Monitoring Committee approved the requirements for the next call for project applications and project platforms. As a result, we launched both calls on 5 October 2017 and encourage applicants to come up with strong project ideas for a more innovative, better accessible and sustainable Baltic Sea region.

With some EUR 65 million still available, including EUR 2.6 million for Norwegian organisations and EUR 5 million for partners from North-West Russia, applicants can apply for funds in all three thematic priorities: capacity for innovation, management of natural resources and sustainable transport. Applicants should involve public authorities as partners as much as possible so that citizens will benefit from more efficient and effective public administrations and their services. Flagship projects of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region are particularly encouraged to submit an application.

In this call, the application procedure is shorter and faster as we introduce a one-step application process. This has some implications for project development planning, in particular the requirement to consult the Managing Authority/ Joint Secretariat on project ideas.

In addition, the Managing Authority/ Joint Secretariat invites projects within single thematic areas to team up and work together in project platforms. This new concept will combine partners funded by

different programmes and connect to different policy areas of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region. We believe that platforms will become fertile ground in helping the projects' results grow and reach further afield, including at the political level.

The Programme currently funds 25 seed money projects. These projects are meant to be starting points for developing larger operations linked to the different policy areas of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region. The vast majority of the EU funding 2014-2020 in the area has already been allocated. So we were advised to open the next seed money call in late 2019 hoping there is more funding to come after 2020.

As you see, this autumn brings a lot of exciting new opportunities for you as well as for us - namely, to get to know you and to work together for the benefit of the Baltic Sea region. Let's make use of these chances!

Susanne Scherrer, Director of Interreg Baltic Sea Region Managing Authority / Joint Secretariat

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Apply now: third call for applications is open!

Interreg Baltic Sea Region opens the third call for project applications in three thematic fields: capacity for innovation, management of natural resources and sustainable transport. In this way, the Programme intends to financially support transnational projects contributing to the development of a more innovative, better accessible and sustainable Baltic Sea region.

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Open call for project platforms: stronger impact of Interreg Baltic Sea Region projects

Interreg Baltic Sea Region opens a call for applications for project platforms, which enable projects to team up and in this way increase the impact of the Interreg Baltic Sea Region's projects and other EU-funded projects in the area.

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More seed money funding in 2020

The next call for seed money in Interreg Baltic Sea Region in autumn/winter 2019.

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Monitoring Committee met in Turku

On 5 October, Interreg Baltic Sea Region launches the third call for proposals in innovation, natural resources and sustainable transport as well as a call for a new instrument, the project platforms. These are the main decisions of the Monitoring Committee of Interreg Baltic Sea Region which met from 27-28 September in Turku, Finland.

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European Week of Regions and Cities

10–11 Oct 2017 | Rostock, Germany
Lead partner seminar - 2nd call projects

18–19 Oct 2017 | Riga, Latvia
Information seminar - third call for applications

24 Oct 2017 | St. Petersburg, Russia
Information Seminar in Russia @ XVI All Russia Forum "Strategic Planning in the Regions and Cities of Russia"

07–08 Nov 2017 | Potsdam, Germany
Development seminar for project platforms

21 Nov 2017 | Bremen, Germany
German national first level control seminar

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RECENT EVENTS

27–28 Sep 2017 | Finland
7th meeting of the Interreg Baltic Sea Region Monitoring Committee

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