

**in European Union cross-border
cooperation projects**



Don't forget!



Project partnership is a crucial composing part of every cross-border project funded by the EU.

It should be composed in a way that it supports the cross-border relevance of your project.



When you are forming **project partnership**, consider the following...

Eligibility of partnership



Minimum requirements for partnership defined by the Call + type/location of partner organisations.

The size of partnership



The biggest is not always the best! Think of how much administrative burden you can handle.

The composition of partnership



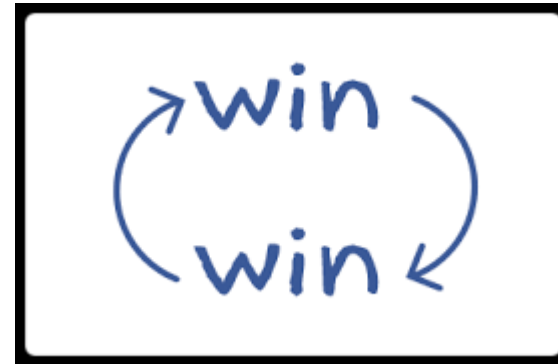
The partners should have strategic interest for project idea and contribute to its implementation.

Partners' expertise



It has to be relevant to the topics and challenges addressed by the project.

Project partners should have shared needs, relevant expertise, strong commitment to take part in the project, mutual trust and adequate financial resources.



Partnerships may be formed out of existing contacts or new partners.



Existing contacts

New partners

Advantages: trust & mutual understanding of working methods and style
Disadvantage: risk of repetition of old projects

Advantage: opportunity for exchange of expertise and experience
Disadvantage: more time and preparatory work needed

There are 4 cooperation criteria ensuring cross-border impact of your project. The first 2 are obligatory...



- 1.) **Joint development** = the project idea has to be designed in close cooperation of all project partners.
- 2.) **Joint implementation** = all project partners are jointly responsible for project implementation.

And you also have to fulfill at least 1 out of the following 2 cooperation criteria...



P.S. Genuine cross-border project fulfills all 4 cooperation criteria!

- 3.) **Joint staffing** = project management team should be jointly formed by project partners and jointly manage the project.
- 4.) **Joint financing** = all project partners share the same project budget; funds are allocated to them according to the activities they are responsible for.

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