

MC Rules of Procedure

1st MC meeting 29-30 March 2023, Kotor Montenegro



Legal basis

- Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 Common Provisions Regulation CPR
- Regulation (EU) 2021/1058- ERDF Regulation
- Regulation (EU) 2021/1059 Interreg Regulation
- Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 240/2014 on the European Code of Conduct on Partnership





General principles

- This MC takes the role of the JMC for the Interreg Programme 2014-2020.
- The rights and obligations of the MC members shall expire with the closure of the Interreg Programme 2021-2027.
- MC acts in accordance with its Rules of Procedures to be unanimously adopted by the MC at the first MC meeting and published on the Programme website.





Code of Conduct and working principles

Rules of conduct for MC members:

- To actively participate in all meetings, as well as in written procedures.
- To act in the interest of an efficient implementation of the Programme, in accordance with the scope and objectives of the Programme.
- To take decisions in the public interest and not to act in the purpose of obtaining financial advantages or other benefits for themselves or for others.
- To inform the Chair of the situation of conflict of interest in which they might be with regards to the discussions on a specific subject matter. In this case, the member shall be excluded from discussion and decision on the subject matter.





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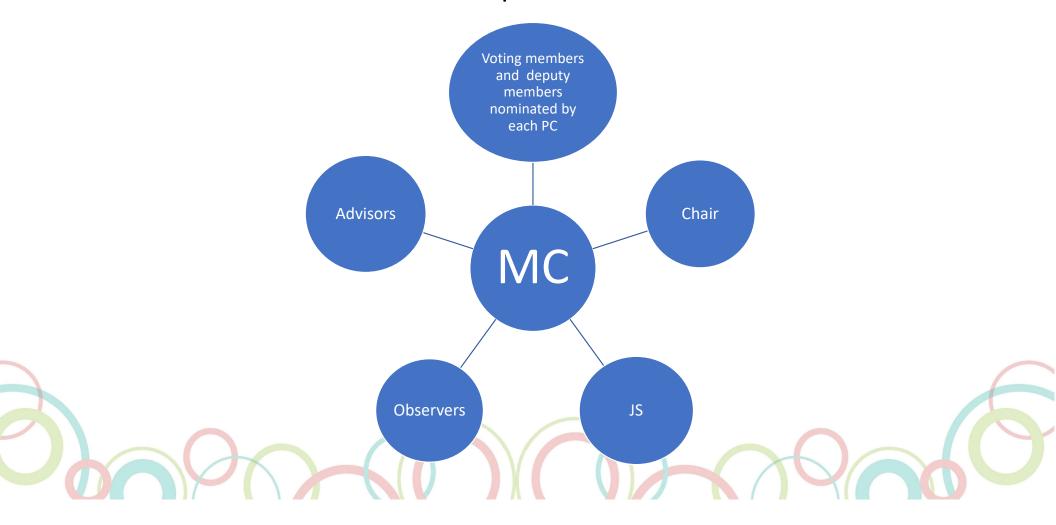
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- Meetings of the MC are confidential in nature and its members are bound to confidentiality.
- All representatives of the MC (including advisors and observers), shall be required to sign the Declaration on impartiality and confidentially before starting their role in the MC.
- Members should not disclose any details of meeting discussions.
- In case these provisions are not respected by a member of the MC, that person may be replaced by the organization.
- These provisions shall equally apply to voting members, their deputies, as well as observers.





Composition





Functions

The MC shall approve:

- the methodology and criteria used for the selection of operations;
- the evaluation plan and any amendments;
- any proposal by the MA for the amendment of the Programme, including transfer of funds between priorities;
- the final performance report.



Functions

The MC shall examine:

- the progress in programme implementation and in achieving the milestones and targets;
- issues that affect the Programme performance;
- the progress made in carrying out evaluations;
- the implementation of communication and visibility actions;
- the progress in implementing operations of strategic importance and, where applicable, of large infrastructure projects;
- the progress in administrative capacity building for public institutions and beneficiaries, where relevant.



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Other tasks

- To approve eligibility rules at Programme level;
- To give the opinion with regard to the eligibility of an operation in the event of a difference of the opinions between the MA and AA;
- The MC can set up one or more steering committees, if applicable;
- Responsible for selection of operations;
- Examine and approve major modifications (related to the change of partnership);
- Ask the MA to take appropriate measures in case of infringement of the subsidy contract.



Meetings and deadlines

- MC meets at least once a year
- Physical meetings are held in the Programme area on the basis of rotation principle
- Agenda and documents are sent 10 working days before the meeting (5 days exceptonaly)
- Meeting minutes are sent within 10 working days following the meeting
- MC members have 7 working days for comments



Decision making

- Decisions can be taken:
 - 1. at the MC meeting
 - 2. via written procedures
- Quorum: at least 4 voting members/deputies of each PC are present.
- Voting: each national delegation has one vote (represented by the NA).
- Adoption of decisions: by consensus of all three national delegations.
- Written procedure: MC has 10 working days for commenting and approval (5 days exceptionally).

IMPORTANT!

 Calls for proposals documents and selection of operations shall be approved at the MC meeting only.





Communication and information publication

- Written materials prepared in English.
- Oral communication held in English language or national languages.
- Transmission of documents done via e-mail.
- Article 28(4) of Interreg Regulation MA shall publish the summary of both data and information, including decisions, approved by the MC on the Programme website.



MC tasks in upcoming period

Written procedures

2014-2020 topics:

- Approval of Annual Implementation Report for 2022 (May 2023)
- Approval of JS Annual Work Plan for 2024 (December 2023)

2021-2027 topics:

- Approval of Steering Committee (July 2023)
- Approval of Evaluation plan for 2021-2027 (September 2023)
- Approval of results of step 1: admissibility and eligibility check (September 2023)

Ad hoc approvals



Meetings

- Approval of Strategic Call and SPF project
- Approval of results of 1st CfP





Thank you for the attention!

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