

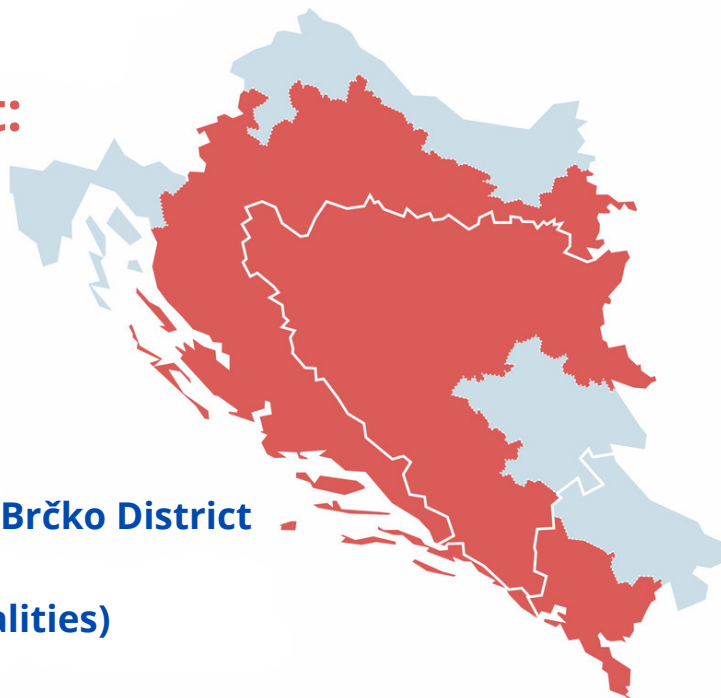


# 1st Call for Proposals Key Facts

- 1st CfP for standard (regular) projects
- Submission of applications through Jems
- Open for 6 Specific Objectives (SO)

## Available EU budget:

41.095.300,00 €



## Programme area:

- Croatia (12 counties)
- Bosnia and Herzegovina (Brčko District and 109 municipalities)
- Montenegro (12 municipalities)





## S.O. 1.1. Research and innovation

- Available S.O. 1.1. EU budget: EUR 5.416.000,00
- Min-Max grant (EU budget): EUR 400.000 - 1.5 mil.
- Duration of projects: 18 - 30 months

## S.O. 2.1. Energy efficiency

- Available S.O. 2.1. EU budget: EUR 5.751.250,00
- Min-Max grant (EU budget): EUR 500.000 - 2 mil.
- Duration of projects: 18 - 30 months



## S.O. 2.4. Climate change adaptation

- Available S.O. 2.4. EU budget: EUR 9.202.000,00
- Min-Max grant (EU budget): EUR 500.000 - 2.5 mil.
- Duration of projects: 18 - 36 months

## S.O. 2.6. Circular economy

- Available S.O. 2.6. EU budget: EUR 5.751.250,00
- Min-Max grant (EU budget): EUR 500.000 - 2 mil.
- Duration of projects: 18 - 30 months



## S.O. 4.5. Health

- Available S.O. 4.5. EU budget: EUR 7.700.000,00
- Min-Max grant (EU budget): EUR 400.000 - 2 mil.
- Duration of projects: 18 - 30 months

## S.O. 4.6. Tourism and culture

- Available S.O. 4.6. EU budget: EUR 7.274.800,00
- Min-Max grant (EU budget): EUR 400.000 - 2 mil.
- Duration of projects: 18 - 30 months



## Call requirements

- EU (Programme) co-financing rate is max 85% (and min 20%) of total eligible expenditures.
- Each partner must ensure at least 15% of co-financing.
- Each Partner must have a budget of at least 10% of total Operation budget.



**Advance payment:  
25% of the total cost of project**

## Eligible applicants/partners

- Non-profit-making legal person/entity established by a public or a private law for the purposes of public interest or specific purpose of meeting the needs of general interest.
- Profit-making legal person/entity is eligible only if 100% owned by the state, regional/local government units, or non-government organizations-NGOs.
- Applicants must be registered at least 12 months prior to the deadline for the submission of applications.
- Private partner (either lead partner or project partner) must have an annual income for the two last closed financial years (cumulatively) in amount at least equal to amount of grant requested (grant size of specific partner, not total project) - private partner = established by private law, e.g. NGO, limited liability companies or shareholding companies when 100% owned by the state, regional/local government.



## Partnership requirements

- At least two (2) partners from different participating countries out of which one must be from Croatia.
- A Lead Partner (LP) must be appointed among the Project Partners (PP).
- The maximum number of partners in application is six (6) including the LP.



## Partnership limitations

- One institution/organization can be selected for funding in a maximum of five (5) operations, out of which in a maximum of three (3) operations as a PP and in a maximum of two (2) operations as a LP (number of submitted project proposals per PP/LP is not limited!).
- In case when faculties within university are not a separate legal entity this limitation is applied to each faculty and not to university.
- In case of state/regional/local government institutions (e.g. ministries, counties, municipalities, cities) this limitation is applied to different organizational departments (units) within institutions.

## Important!

Applications with trilateral partnership (partnership with partners from all three countries) are highly encouraged which is reflected in the Quality assessment grid through award of additional 2 points if project receives at least 3,5 points (average points awarded from two assessors) on question related to experience and competence in the thematic field concerned as well as the necessary capacity to implement the project under Strategic assessment criteria.



## Eligibility of activities

- Each project **MUST** be developed around at least one action listed under selected SO.
- Non-exhaustive list of eligible actions/activities per SO can be found in Programme document (available at Programme website).

## Eligible cost categories

Interreg regulation defines the list of cost categories that are eligible:

- Staff costs,
- Office and administrative costs,
- Travel and accommodation costs,
- External expertise and services costs,
- Equipment costs,
- Costs for infrastructure and works.

Specific provisions for each cost category are stated in the [Programme Manual on Eligibility](#) (available at Programme website).

## Preparatory and contracting costs

- The lump sum for the preparatory and contracting cost amounts to 8.000,00 EUR, the total cost for the preparation and contracting (EU share of the lump sum will be paid to LP after signing the subsidy contract).
- The lump sum for the closure costs amounts to 4.000,00 EUR (EU share of the lump sum will be paid to LP after approval of the final project progress report).



# Use of Simplified Cost Options

Use of Simplified Cost Options (SCOs) is mandatory by the Programme. Two options, which include different possibilities of using real and flat rate costs, are available to projects:

## Option 1:

Cost category	Form of reimbursement
Staff costs	up to 20 % flat rate of direct costs (real costs)
Office and administrative costs	up to 15 % flat rate of staff costs
Travel and accommodation costs	up to 15% flat rate of staff costs
External expertise and services costs	Real costs
Equipment costs	Real costs
Costs of infrastructure and works	Real costs

## Option 2:

Cost category	Form of reimbursement
Staff costs	Real costs
Other costs	up to 40 % flat rate of staff costs for all other costs

## Programme indicators

A set of indicators has been defined for each Priority axis (PA) and Specific objective (SO):

- **Output indicators** – measuring the specific deliverables of the interventions.
- **Result indicators** – measuring the effects of the interventions supported, with reference to the direct addressees, population targeted or users of infrastructure.

A list of defined indicators per SO can be found in Programme document (available at Programme website).

## Application Package

The Application Package for the 1st CfP will be available for download from the Programme website: [www.interreg-hr-ba-me.eu](http://www.interreg-hr-ba-me.eu).

## How and where to apply?

Applications **MUST** be filled in and submitted only through the online submission system – Jems.

1st Call for Proposals is expected to be launched at the end of April / beginning of May. Please follow Programme website for more information.



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