

WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS

of Montenegro, represented by the Ministry of Finance, Directorate for Finance and Contracting of the EU Assistance Funds¹

Cross Border Cooperation Programme Montenegro - Kosovo* 2014-2020
under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance 2014-2020 (IPA II)
2nd Call for Proposals

1. Basic act and/or Financing source

- COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 447/2014 of 2 May 2014 on the specific rules for implementing Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II)
- Framework Agreement, in particular Article 78 (8) (a);
- IPA Cross-Border Cooperation Programme Montenegro-Kosovo, 2014-2020

2. Objectives of the programme, priorities for IPA funding 2016 and 2017 and expected results

The overall objective is to improve standard and quality of living of the people in the programme area through the environmentally sustainable and socially inclusive economic development of the region, with respect for its common cultural and natural heritage.

The following specific objectives and corresponding results are proposed to be covered by the 2ndCfP – the application submitted under this CfP to contribute to attaining:

Thematic priorities	Specific objectives	Results
1. Promoting employment, labour mobility and social and cultural inclusion across the border;	1.1. Improve the access to the labour market; 1.2. The social inclusion of vulnerable and marginalized groups has been furthered.	Result 1.1.1: More people are looking for a job as a result of the programme actions; Result1.1.2:More unemployed people, including students that finished school, succeed in finding job;

¹The decision on objectives, priorities, target beneficiaries and financial allocation for the second call for proposals will be the subject of ex-ante approval by the EU Delegation to Montenegro.

		<p>Result 1.1.3: The employability of students still attending school is improved;</p> <p>Result 1.1.4: More people decide to start their own business.</p> <p>1.2.1. Increased participation of socially vulnerable groups in sportive and cultural life;</p> <p>1.2.2. Increased participation of socially vulnerable groups in education;</p> <p>1.2.3. Health of socially vulnerable groups improved.</p>
3. Encouraging tourism and cultural and natural heritage	3.1 – Improve the volume, quality and visibility of tourism related to valorization of cultural and natural heritage and values	<p>3.1.1. More people become entrepreneur in tourism;</p> <p>3.1.2. The hotel industry services enhanced;</p> <p>3.1.3. Sites and buildings with a cultural and natural value conserved, revitalized and open to public;</p> <p>3.1.4. The offer of active tourism services improved.</p>

3. Indicative financial allocation per priority:

Indicative financial allocations per priority/specific objective for this CFP to be as follows:

Priority	Specific objective	Allocation
Promoting employment, labour mobility and social and cultural inclusion across the border;	<p>1.1: Improve the access to the labour market;</p> <p>1.2 The social inclusion of vulnerable and marginalized groups has been furthered.</p>	840,000.00 €

3. Encouraging tourism and cultural and natural heritage	3.1 Improve the volume, quality and visibility of tourism related to valorization of cultural and natural heritage and values.	1,200,000.00 €
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4. Eligibility conditions

The beneficiaries shall be legal entities and be established in one of the two IPA II beneficiary countries participating in the CBC programme.

In line with the programme document, the following main categories are proposed as potential target beneficiaries of the second CfP:

local authorities, local governments and their institutions, associations of municipalities, development agencies, local business support organizations, tourism and cultural organisations, economic factors such as SMEs, NGOs, public and private bodies supporting the workforce, vocational and technical training institutions, schools, colleges, universities and research centers including vocational and technical training institutions.

5. Selection and award criteria

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the Practical Guide to contract procedures for EU external actions.

6. Maximum rate of European Union financing

The maximum rate of Community co-financing is 85% of eligible expenditure.

7. Indicative time-schedule of calls for proposals

The Call for Proposals is planned to be launched in the 4th quarter of 2018.

8. Indicative amount of call for proposals

The overall indicative amount available under this Call for Proposals for actions implemented in the programme area to be 2,040,000.00 € (merged IPA allocations 2016 - amounting of 1,200,000.00 € and 2017 – amounting of 840,000.00 €)