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Eastern Partnership Territorial Cooperation Programme Moldova-Ukraine



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Involved actors

Applicant

the entity submitting the application form (2.1.1)

Co-
applicant(s)

the entity submitting the application form (2.1.1)

Affiliated
entity

entities having a structural link with the applicants
(legal or capital) (2.1.2)

Associates

an interested party taking part in the implementation but
may not receive funding from the grant (2.1.3)

Contractors

are subject to the procurement rules set out in Annex IV
to the standard grant contract. (2.1.3)

Eligibility Criteria of Applicant

- ❑ Be legal, non-profit-making persons;
- ❑ Be registered in the Republic of Moldova or Ukraine at least one year before the call is launched;
- ❑ Be established and located in the Republic of Moldova or Ukraine ;
- ❑ The lead applicant and at least one co-applicant be registered in the eligible regions of the other participating country;



Eligibility of applicants/co-applicants

Republic of Moldova	Ukraine
<p>➤ Public bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local and regional public authorities (<i>Law on Local Public Authorities no.436 of December 28, 2006</i>) 	<p>➤ Public bodies :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local self-government bodies (<i>Law of Ukraine "On Local Self-government in Ukraine" of May 21, 2007; No. 280/97-BP</i>) • Local state administrations (<i>Law of Ukraine "On Local State Administrations" of April 9, 1999; No. 586-XIV</i>)
<p>➤ Public equivalent bodies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communal and municipal enterprises (<i>Government Decision approving the Regulation of Municipal Enterprises, no.387,</i> 	<p>➤ Public equivalent bodies :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal entities of public law established by the decision of local self-governance bodies or state administrations (<i>Civil Code of Ukraine of January 16,2003; No. 435-IV, Art 81</i>)
<p>➤ Non-governmental and non-profit organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public associations organisations (<i>Law on Public Associations, no. 837 of May 17, 1996</i>) 	<p>➤ Non-governmental and non-profit organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public associations (<i>Law of Ukraine "On Public Associations" of March 22, 2012; No. 4572-VI</i>) • Charity organisations (<i>Law of Ukraine "On Charity and Charitable Organizations" of July 5, 2012; No. 5073-VI</i>)
<p>➤ Any other national legal form complying with the definition of public bodies, public equivalent bodies, non-governmental and non-profit organisations as per Directive 2004/18/EC (see footnote 4)</p>	

Eligibility Criteria of Applicant

- ❑ Be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action;
- ❑ Must prove sufficient and stable financial sources for the institution functioning and co-financing of the action
- ❑ Be owner of the land or premises where equipment have to be installed/used or it is leased at least for 10 years;
- ❑ Must not be in any of the situations listed in Section 2.3.3 of PRAG (*Declaration by the Applicant*);
- ❑ Must not be affected by potential conflict of interest with the Structures of the Programme.



Eligibility Criteria of Applicant

IMPORTANT ►

*Please note that political parties, churches and parishes **are not eligible**, neither as applicants nor as co-applicants or affiliated entities.*

Co-applicant(s) must satisfy the eligibility criteria as applicable to the lead applicant himself.

Non eligibility of one partner lead to rejection of the ACTION !!!!

Only bodies located in the eligible area can receive financial support under this programme.

*Legal entities not falling in any of these categories are welcome to participate in projects as **associate partners***

Farther Co-applicants

2 or 3 co-applicant may be registered outside the eligible regions of the Moldova or Ukraine

BUT!!!

Should have demonstrable experience of operating in the eligible regions of Moldova or Ukraine

Should prove that its participation would bring substantial added value for the eligible regions and it is essential for achieving cross-border impact


Head offices of farther co-applicants might be registered outside the eligible countries (Ukraine and Moldova), provided that they operate in the above mentioned countries through

**registered
branches or
representations**


Partnership




Applicant
registered & located
in the eligible area



First Co-applicant
registered & located in
the eligible area



Third Co-applicant
Could be registered
outside the eligible area

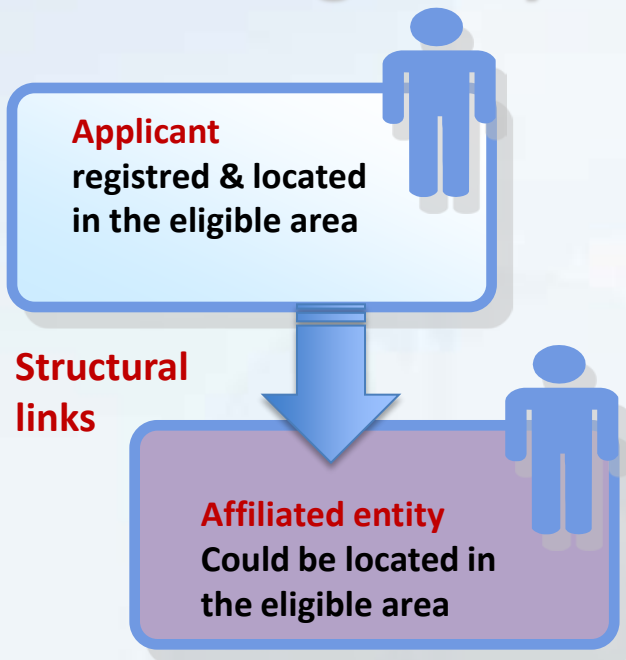


Second Co-applicant
Could be registered
outside the eligible
area

IMPORTANT !!!

- at least two cross-border applicants located in the eligible area of Moldova and Ukraine
- partnership **will not be accepted** when established between operators responding to the same name **and** belonging to the same mother organisation, irrespective of the fact that they are established in each of the two eligible participating countries.

Eligibility criteria of affiliated entities



CONTROL

- Entities directly or indirectly controlled by the beneficiary (*daughter companies or first-tier subsidiaries*).
- Entities directly or indirectly controlling the beneficiary (*parent companies*).
- Entities under the same direct or indirect control as the beneficiary (*sister companies*).

MEMBERSHIP

- the beneficiary is legally defined as a e.g. network, federation, association in which the proposed affiliated entities also participate

The Concept of the Lead Applicant

- will become the beneficiary and signs the grant agreement with the Contracting Authority (CA);
- shall be the sole recipient of the payments of the CA;
- will act as the coordinator and shall sign partnership agreements with the co-beneficiaries;
- has full financial responsibility towards the CA;
- is responsible for reporting (financial and narrative);
- is responsible in the event of audits, checks, monitoring or evaluations.



Have clear match with at least one of Operational
Objectives and related Priorities

Implemented within the
eligible area of the Programme

Clear Cross Border Impact

Joint
Development

Joint
Implementation

Joint Staffing

Joint
Financing

Eligible action



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Eligibility of action

IMPORTANT !!! *Soft actions and small scale infrastructure development actions could be financed under this Call*

Small scale infrastructure is defined as an investment made in infrastructure necessary for the achievement of the project objectives and implementation of the project activities, limited by the budget and programme priorities. The **investment should not exceed 30% of the total project budget** and includes works activities such as restoration, rehabilitation and repair works, installation of the equipment, etc.



Eligibility of actions

Institution	Info	Possible activities
Operational Objective 1 Improving the living conditions of the local communities	Priority 1.1. Promotion of closer links across border	Establishment of business information centres for agro-producers; cross-border business networks; clusters, activities for improving business environment; exchange of good practices; training on innovative technologies; development activities; elaboration of FS; infrastructure development etc.
	Priority 1.2. Diversification of income sources and development of alternative employment opportunities in the rural area	Exploring market potential for agriculture chain; promote cross-border approaches and marketing of farm products; Eurostandardisation, support to agro- business; development of skills of employees through vocational education and training;; promote entrepreneurship of young people in rural area; development of tourism potential, local tourism facilities; infrastructure development etc.

Eligibility of actions

Institution	Info	Possible activities
Operational Objective Addressing common challenges	Priority 2.1. Solving cross-border environmental problems, enhancing emergency preparedness	Joint monitoring and management of water resources; joint efforts for restoration of water supply systems along the border; addressing air, water, soil or groundwater pollution issues; joint approaches to waste management; raising public awareness and understanding of cross-border environmental issues etc.
		Actions for rapid response in the emergency situation in case of manmade and natural hazards and disasters, Creation of an effective environment for disaster prevention and management; elaboration of FS, technical documentation and analysis, infrastructure development, etc.

Eligibility of actions

Institution	Info	Possible activities
Operational Objective 3 Culture, education and sports	Priority 3.1. Promotion of multi-cultural diversity and social integrity of ethnical minorities across the border	Joint cultural events and festivals; Joint efforts and measures for social integration of ethnical minorities; Exchange of experiences and best practices; Fostering multi-cultural diversity; development activities; elaboration of FS; infrastructure development etc.
	Priority 3.2. Facilitation of people-to-people links in social sphere, culture, education and sports with focus on youth issues	Vocational training and professional upgrading of operators working in the Cultural sector; Promotion of cultural diversity and social inclusion; Increasing the employability of young people and youth access to labour markets, Promotion of active and healthy lifestyle; cross-border sports events and tournaments ; elaboration of FS; infrastructure development etc.

- actions without cross-border impact;
- actions implemented outside the eligible geographic area;
- actions related to profit making activities;
- actions started before the signature of a contract;
- actions implemented after the project implementation period;
- actions already covered by other European Union individual sponsorships
- actions aimed at upgrading of infrastructure **Not** owned by applicant, or leased for less than 10 years period.
- actions confined to charitable donations;
- actions aimed at the purchase of land, real estate;
- actions involving sub-granting
- actions including proselytism

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**Ineligible
action!!!**



Visibility of action

It is necessary to publicise the fact that the European Union has financed or co-financed the Action

Applicants must undertake communication activities to raise the awareness of the reasons for the action and the EU support for the action

The visibility of the EU financing must follow the requirements from the Communication and Visibility Manual for EU external actions (http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/work/visibility/index_en.htm).



Eligibility of costs

IMPORTANT ► Only ‘eligible costs’ can be covered by a grant

The costs must be:

- actually incurred by the Beneficiary(ies) and affiliated entity(ies) within the project implementing period
- realistic, justified and necessary for implementation of the project
- are indicated in the estimated overall budget of the project (Annex B)
- could be verified and in conformity with the tax and national social legislation



Types of the costs

- cost of staff assigned to the action,
- travel and subsistence costs
- purchase costs for equipment and supplies
- costs of consumables
- costs entailed by contracts awarded by the Beneficiary(ies)
- other project implementing costs

IMPORTANT!!!

- The budget is an estimation of the project costs but also a ceiling for eligible costs
- Eligible cost must be based on real costs

Size of the grant

Minimum size of the grant	60,000.00 EUR
Maximum size of the grant	300,000.00 EUR



Contribution

Total project budget

EC contribution:

**90% of the total eligible costs
of the actions**

Beneficiaries contribution:

**at least 10% of eligible
costs of the action**

Contributions in kind may not be treated as co-financing



Ineligible costs

- debts and debt service charges (interest);
- provisions for losses or potential future liabilities;
- costs declared by the beneficiary(ies) and financed by another action or work programme receiving a union (including through EDF) grant;
- Purchase of land or buildings
- currency exchange losses;
- credit to third parties;
- taxes, duties and charges, including VAT;
- contributions in kind;
- costs for actions implemented before the start or after the expiry of implementation period



IMPORTANT!!!

- Before sending you application form check all eligibility requirements for you and your partners
- The eligibility of applicants and co-applicants could be check at any stage of the evaluation procedure
- Non-respect of eligibility criteria will lead to the project rejection!



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