

2ND CALL FOR PROPOSALS

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- 2) **Date of publication:** 3 October 2016
- 3) **Programme and financing source:** Interreg – IPA Cross-border Co-operation Hungary-Serbia Programme approved by EC Decision C(2015)9488 (hereafter: Cooperation Programme).
- 4) **Eligible area:** Supported projects are required to be implemented within the eligible area of the Programme, defined in the Cooperation Programme, in the area of NUTS III level (or NUTS III equivalent) regions as follows:

HUNGARY	SERBIA
Csongrád county (Csongrád megye)	West Bačka (Zapadnobački upravni okrug),
Bács-Kiskun county (Bács-Kiskun megye)	North Bačka (Severnobački upravni okrug),
	North Banat (Severnobanatski upravni okrug),
	South Bačka (Južnobački upravni okrug),
	Middle Banat (Srednjobanatski upravni okrug),
	South Banat (Južnobanatski upravni okrug),
	Srem (Sremski upravni okrug)

- 5) **Eligible Applicants:** The following organisations are eligible to apply for the funding allocated to the Programme:
 - public authorities
 - bodies governed by public law
 - as a general rule non-profit organisations governed by private law

For a detailed description of Eligibility of Applicants please consult Chapter **2 of the Guidelines for Applicants**.

- 6) **Published actions and indicative funds available:** The indicative amount of **21,5 million EUR** is available for this Call for Proposals.

The indicative financial allocations for respective Priority axes and Actions together with the minimum and maximum amounts of subsidy per project can be found in the table below. Please note that the final allocations awarded to projects under this call may vary, following the assessment and selection of the Applications.

For the indicative list of activities and their detailed description please consult Chapter **1.3 of the Guidelines for Applicants**.

Priority Axis (PA)	Action	Minimum and maximum IPA contribution per project (EUR)	Planned allocation for projects within the PA (EUR)
PA 1: Improving the cross-border water management and risk prevention systems	Action 1.1 : Water management and protection against extreme weather conditions	500 000 – 1 500 000	4 000 000
	Action 1.2: Nature protection and conservation of water based habitats	100 000 – 500 000	1 000 000
PA 2: Decreasing the bottlenecks of cross-border traffic	Action 2.1: Border crossing points, roads and bicycle roads	500 000 – 3 000 000	5 000 000
	Action 2.2: Improving public transport services and railway lines	100 000 – 500 000	1 000 000
PA 3: Encouraging tourism and cultural heritage cooperation	Action 3.1: Tourist products, services and attractions based on cultural and natural heritage	100 000 – 500 000	3 500 000
	Action 3.2: Cooperation in the fields of cultural, community events, sport, leisure, nature protection	40 000 – 200 000	2 000 000
PA 4: Enhancing SMEs' economic competitiveness through innovation driven development	Action 4.1: Enhancing innovation through cooperation between SMEs and research institutions involving young people	200 000 – 400 000	2 500 000
	Action 4.2: Encouraging and development of social entrepreneurship	50 000 – 200 000	2 500 000
		Total:	21 500 000

- 7) **Project duration:** The planned implementation period of a project **must not be less than 6 months** and **must not exceed 24 months**.
- 8) **Co-financing rate:** On project level, the EU contribution is **up to 85% of the total eligible expenditure**. The **remaining 15%** shall be financed from national sources. Please note, that the sources of funding differ in case of Beneficiaries from Hungary and from Serbia as described in Chapter **6 of the Guidelines for Applicants**. In case the Lead Beneficiary concludes the Subsidy Contract with the Managing Authority an advance in an amount of maximum 15% of the total IPA allocation of a project will automatically be granted from the EU contribution.
- 9) **Selection of projects:** The description of the assessment process can be found in Chapter **9 of the Guidelines for Applicants**.
- 10) **Submission of Applications:** Applications have to be submitted online via IMIS 2014-2020 Application Module according to the rules set in Chapter **8.5 of the Guidelines for Applicants**.

IMIS 2014-2020 Application Module is available on the following link:

<https://imis2014-2020.eu/imis-web/public#!foAppSrbLogin>

Submission deadline: 24:00 (midnight) CET, 31 January 2017 (IMIS 2014-2020 Application Module blocks the submission after the deadline)

At the time of the electronic submission of the Application, IMIS 2014-2020 generates a Certification, which shall be stamped and signed by the legal representative(s) of each and ALL beneficiaries of the partnership. The original Certification must be submitted by post to the following address:

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Submission deadline of the Certification: 7 February 2017, 24:00 (midnight) local time (Central European Time) as evidenced by the date on the postal stamp.

- 11) **The Application Package** is comprised of the following documents:

- Call for Proposals,
- Guidelines for Applicants and its annexes
- Eligibility Rules of expenditures
- Declaration by the Applicant
- Declaration by the Applicant State Aid Relevance

The whole Application Package and other relevant documents (e.g. the Cooperation Programme, Guidelines for Implementing Information and Publicity Requirements, Users' Manual of the Monitoring System etc.) **can be downloaded from the Programme's website** (<http://www.interreg-ipa-husrb.com>).

- 12) Provisional notification** date of the results of the Call for Proposals is foreseen in June 2017.
- 13) Additional information** can be obtained by contacting the Joint Secretariat in Budapest and Szeged or the JS Antenna office in Subotica personally, by phone or e-mail, as described in Chapter **8.2 of the Guidelines for Applicants**.
- 14) Information days:** During the application period Information Days will be organised by the Joint Secretariat. For further details, please check regularly the Programme's official website.