

Control Checklist (annexe)

1. Partner Report	
Interreg programme and/or logo	Automatically filled in from most recent AF
Project title	Automatically filled in from most recent AF
Project acronym	Automatically filled in from most recent AF
Project ID	Automatically filled in from most recent AF
Reporting period	(DD.MM.YYYY – DD.MM.YYYY) Automatically filled in from most recent AF
Partner Report Number	Automatically filled in
Partner Report date (first time submitted)	DD.MM.YYYY Automatically filled in
Partner Report date (resubmitted with complete documentation)	DD.MM.YYYY Automatically filled in

1. General Consideration/eligibility criteria

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1.1. Accounting System			
[according to Article 74 1a(i) CPR]			
1.1.1 Project partner maintains separate			
accounting records/system, or accounting			Comment (mandatory)
code, for all transactions related to the			
project. Ensuring separation of project expenditure for all transactions relating to			
the project.			
In case of YES, please describe the tangible mechanism putted in place by the PP to ensure the respect of this principle and related documents (internal procedure, etc.).	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
In case of No, O,00 euro should be certified and			
please detail here the follow up actions foreseen.			
(Filled-in once)			
1.1.2 Double-financing is excluded:			
e.g., the accounting system avoids the allocation of the same invoice to different projects, the invoices are stamped with the project identification			Comment (mandatory)
In case of YES, please describe how it was ensured			
In case of No, 0,00 euro should be certified, and please provide further explanation and detail the follow up actions foreseen.	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
(Pre-filled from the previous report and should be updated if changed)			



1.1.3 The partner is participating to the project with an aid granted under GBER Art 20. In case of YES, the answer to question 1.1.4 MUST be YES In case of NO, VAT is eligible and answer to question 1.1.4 should be n.a.	Yes 🗌	N	°]	Comment (if any)
1.1.4 The partner is participating to the project with an aid granted under GBER Art 20 and refundable value added tax (VAT) under the applicable national tax law is excluded from verified expenditure ("not claimed by the partner" or "detected and accordingly reduced by the Controller").	yes	no	n.a.	Comment (if any)

1.2 Bank Account			
1.2.1 Correct IBAN is used for the transfer of programme funds and belongs to the partner organisation.	C Yes	No	Comment (if any)
(filled in once in case of change)			
1.2.2 The bank account used for the transfer of programme funds is located in the partner country.	Yes	🗌 No	Comment (if any)
1.3 Audit Trail			
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General considerations / eligibility criteria	Yes	Not (fully)			
1.3.1The partnership agreement is signed by the project partner and latest and complete version is available on Jems.					
1.3.2 Costs declared as real costs are correctly recorded in the partner accounting system.					
1.3.3 The source of the partner's contribution received (private or public) is correctly indicated in the approved application form/partner report. e.g., Verify that: the information indicated in the latest application form (section B project partners/co-financing) is coherent with the documentation provided by the PP (bank statement, award decision, etc).			Comment (if any)		



 1.3.4 Costs are directly related to the project and necessary for the development or implementation of the project. e.g., Verify that: Costs have been initially planned in the application form (AF) under this cost category AND Unforeseen costs are justified and allowed by the programme flexibility (or accepted by the JS) AND In the case of costs related to an investment, the latter is foreseen in the AF. 		• Comment (if any)	
1.3.5 Costs are correctly allocated to the relevant cost categories. e.g., Inspect list of expenditures.		Comment (if any)	
1.3.6 Costs are declared only once. e.g. Inspect the list of expenditures and verify that expenditures had not been declared twice in different cost categories or in previous reporting periods.		Comment (if any)	
 1.3.7 Each verified expenditure was incurred and paid in the project eligibility period and supported by the proof of payment. (NOT applicable for flat rates, unit costs, lump sums , depreciation): [according to Articles 63(2), Article 67(2), Art 74 1a(i) CPR] e.g. Implementation expenditure is incurred and paid within the eligibility period set in the Manual and that appears in JEMS. 			Comment (if any)
 1.3.8 Each verified expenditure is supported by invoices or documents of equivalent probative value, which are correct in content and accounting terms. (NOT applicable for flat rates, unit costs or lump sums): 			Comment (if any)
1.3.9 Each verified expenditure is supported by the relevant audit trail. <i>Cf check the relevant audit trail in for each cost category</i> <i>in the</i> <u>most recent version</u> of the Programme Manual.		Comment (if any)	
1.3.10 Ineligible costs according to the Regulations and Programme rules are excluded from the Report. <i>Cf check the <u>most recent version</u> of the Programme</i> <i>Manual.</i>		Comment (if any)	



1.3.11 The co-financed products and services were delivered. e.g. based on inspected project evidence provided with the partner report, ' or 'Inspected the project partner and activities on the spot.		"Comment (if any)
 1.3.12 The total partner budget was respected. e.g. Verify that accumulated partner expenditure is within the partner budget of the latest version of the approved AF. 		Comment (if any)
1.3.13 If the partner contribution does not come from the partner's own resources but from an external public source, the total public contribution has not been exceeded.		Comment (if any)
1.3.14 In case cost related to an Investment are reported The 'statement of capacity and compliance with the principles of investment' is signed by the project partner and latest and complete version is available.		Comment (if any)
1.3.15 In case cost related to an Investment are reported, respect of obligations of durability are justified with supporting documents.		Comment (if any)
1.3.16 In case cost related to an investment assessment of expected impacts of climate change for all investments in infrastructure with an expected lifespan of at least five years has been justified with supporting documents.		Comment (if any)

General comments, recommendations, points to follow-up; NOTE: deductions (if any) are allocated to the relevant cost categories (*NOTE for Monitoring systems*: section appears if the question "Are there findings?" has been answered with a YES)

Description of findings, observations and limitations	n.a.	
Conclusions and recommendations (to be redacted to the attention of the PP)	n.a.	
Follow-up measures for the next progress report	n.a.	



2.On-the-spot verifications "Only applicable in case of on-the-spot control"

On-the-spot verifications		ccepte	d	Comments
		Not (fully)	n.a.	comments
2.1 Documents submitted match the originals.				
2.2 Documents are correctly archived.				
2.3 Effective separate accounting records/system is functioning.				Ś
 2.4 Costs declared under Equipment and infrastructure and work correspond to the elements verified on-the-spot. E;g Verify the existence of the elements reported, the costs correspond to the tangible elements localised on-the-spot. 				
2.5 The location and the proper functioning of the technical or IT equipment, materials, infrastructure declared by PP is confirmed on-the-spot.				
2.6 The respect of branding and communication rules is confirmed on- the-spot.				

3. Eligibility along cost categories

3.1 Staff costs

Criteria – Real costs		Accepted		Comments
[according to Article 39 of the Interreg Regulation and Article 55(5) CPR]	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	
3.1.1 Persons who declared staff costs are employees of the project partner or work under a contract considered as an employment document. e.g., Inspected employment/ work contracts and contracts considered as employment contracts of individuals declaring staff costs (part-time and full- time).				
3.1.2 The task assignment document defining the tasks and percentage of work on the project per employee exists and it covers minimum one full implementation period (6 months). <i>e.g., Task assignment document; (with percentage and tasks is part of the contract).</i>				

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3.1.3 If any change occurred, the task assignment document defining the tasks and percentage of work on the project of concerned employee(s) is up-to-date. <i>e.g., The correct version (valid from XXX) of the</i> <i>task assignment document is in place.</i>		
3.1.4 The fixed percentage worked on the project is plausible in relation to tasks and activities within the project and the job profile of the employee.		
3.1.5 The percentage of time work on the project is correctly applied to calculate the eligible staff costs.		
3.1.6 If the staff is involved in several projects, it is ensured that not more than 100% of the working time is reported (e.g., task assignment documents for all projects are not for more than 100%).		
 3.1.7 Staff costs to which the percentage is applied are limited to salary payments and other costs directly linked to salary payments incurred and paid by the employer for the employee working on the project. e.g. Inspect, e.g., payrolls/payslips, print-out of accounting system, etc. of employees working on the project (part-time and full-time) and verify that staff costs are based on salary payments plus any other costs directly linked to salary payments incurred and paid by the employer such as employment taxes and social security including pensions provided that they are: (i) fixed in an employment document or by law; (ii) in accordance with the legislation referred to in the employment document and with standard practices in the country and/or organisation where the individual staff member is actually working; and (iii) not recoverable by the employer. 3.1.8 The declared Staff cost is eligible. 		•

General comments, recommendations, points to follow-up; NOTE: deductions (if any) are allocated to the relevant cost categories. (Note: section appears if the question "Are there findings?" has been answered with a YES)					
Description of findings, observations and limitations	🗌 n.a.				
Conclusions and recommendations	🗌 n.a.				



Follow-up measures for the next progress report	l In.a.	
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3.2 Office and administrative costs

Criteria – Simplified cost option		Accepted				
[according to Article 54 CPR and Article 40(2) of the Interreg Regulation]	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	Comments		
3.2.1 The flat rate is calculated correctly. E.g. The correct percentage is applied (15% of eligible staff costs).						
3.2.2 There is no double declaration of the same cost item in other cost categories. e.g. Verify that cost items listed in Programme Manual section III.A.vii had not been included in other cost categories.						

3.3 Travel and accommodation

Travel and Accommodation – SIMPLIFIED COST OPTIONS

Criteria – Simplified cost option		Accepted			Indau
[according to Article 41(5) of the Interreg Regulation]	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	Comments	Index No.
3.3.1 The flat rate is calculated correctly.	(
e.g. The correct percentage is applied on top of the direct staff costs of the partner. (15% for partners based in EU territories,					
22% for partners based in territories of IPA countries) There was no change in the applied method.					
 3.3.2 There is no double declaration of the same cost item in other cost categories. e.g. Verify that cost items listed in Programme Manual III.A.vii of the Interreg Regulation had not been included in other cost categories. Inspect that travel costs of external experts, associated partners 					
and service providers are included under CC4 External expertise and services cost category.					

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Criteria – Real costs		Accepted			Index
[according to Article 41 of the Interreg Regulation]	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	Comments	No.
3.3.3 Travels are related to the project activities.					
3.3.4 Travel and accommodation costs relate to the partner organisation's staff or natural persons who work under a contract considered as employment document of the partner organisation.					



e.g. Inspect invoices and documents of equivalent probative value to ensure that costs were incurred by employees or persons working under contracts considered as employment contracts. Inspected that travel costs of external experts, associated partners and service providers are included under CC4 External expertise and services cost category.		
3.3.5 Travels outside the Programme cooperation area and outside the EU are expressly accepted by the JS. <i>e.g Verify that the travel is foreseen in the most recent AF or is expressly accepted by the JS.</i>		
3.3.6 If applicable to the PP, according to the national rules the maximum daily rate for hotel and daily allowances was respected. e.g Verify that the national rules were respected.		
3.3.7 Travels are cost-effectively executed.		

General comments, recommendations, points to follow-up; NOTE: deductions (if any) are allocated to the relevant cost categories. (Note: section appears if the question "Are there findings?" has been answered with a YES)							
Description of findings, observations and limitations	n.a.						
Conclusions and recommendations	🗌 n.a.						
Follow-up measures for the next progress report	🗌 n.a.						

3.4. External expertise and services

Compared to the previous reporting period new external expertise and services were acquired in this reporting period. If Yes, please complete the external contract checklist for each new contract.	Yes	🗌 No
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Criteria – Real costs		Accepted			
[according to Article 42 of the Interreg Regulation]	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	Comments	
3.4.1 Providers of services or expertise are external to the project partnership and to associated partners organisations. <i>e.g., Interview the project partner to verify that</i> <i>external expert or service providers are not</i> <i>declared in the staff of the project neither the</i> <i>employees of the project partners and associated</i> <i>partner institution.</i>					



3.4.2 The types of costs liste cost category are eligible acc and Programme rules. e.g., Verify that the types of costs lis cost category are eligible according Manual section III.A.vii E.g: for cost investment Programme rules are re	cording to EU sted under this to Programme is related to			
3.4.3 Invoices or documents equivalent probative value a with the contract(s) or, when with the selected offer, in te amount and nature. e.g., Inspect invoices and document probative value to verify that they of accordance with the contract(s).	re in line re applicable, rms of s of equivalent			
3.4.4 The share allocated to is plausible i.e., calculated ac fair, equitable and verifiable (in the case of experts or servic NOT exclusively used for the pr e.g., Verify that only a share of the allocated to the project and that the calculated according to a fair, equit verifiable method.	ccording to a method. es that are oject expenditure is is share is			
3.4.5 Non-monetary awards competition winners are exp accepted by the JS. Verify that the non-monetary award in the latest version of AF or they ar accepted by the JS.	oressly ds are foreseen			C
3.4.6 Costs related to extern and services concerning acti- the cooperation area and ou are expressly accepted by th Verify that activities outside the coo- and outside the EU are foreseen in t are expressly accepted by the JS.	vities outside itside the EU e JS. operation area	Π		
			-	: deductions (if any) are allocated to ere findings?" is answered with a YES)
Description of findings, observations and limitations	n.a.			
Conclusions and recommendations	n.a.			
Follow-up measures for the next progress report	🗌 n.a.			



3.5. Equipment

Compared to the previous reporting period reported. If Yes, please complete the exter for each new contract.	Yes	No No			
Criteria – Real costs		Accepted			
[according to Article 43 of the Interreg Regulation]	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	Cor	nments
3.5.1 Suppliers of equipment are external to the project partnership and to associated partners organisations. e.g. Interview the project partner to verify that equipment suppliers are not project partners and associated partner institutes.					
 3.5.2 The types of costs listed under the cost categories are eligible according to EU and Programme rules. e.g. Verify that the types of costs listed under the cost categories are eligible according to Programme Manual section III.A. vii. 				Ś	
3.5.3 Equipment are necessary for the effective implementation of the project activities. Verify that the activities related to declared cost won't be realisable without the equipment concerned n.b.: The quantity of equipment used for project management and related costs should be in line with the staff declared as working on the project.					
 3.5.4 Invoices or documents of equivalent probative value are in line with the contract(s) or, where applicable, the selected offer in terms of amount and nature. e.g. Inspect invoices and documents of equivalent probative value to verify that they are in accordance with the contracts in terms of amount and nature. 					
3.5.5 The method used to calculate equipment expenditure (full costs, pro rata, depreciation) is correctly applied in line with EU, national and Programme rules. e.g., Verify that the calculation methods used complies with rules. e.g., For pro-rata calculation, the share allocated to the project is based on a fair, equitable and verifiable calculation method. E.g., For depreciation: it is in line with Article 67(2) CPR national and programme rules. E.g: for cost related to investment Programme rules are respected.					



3.5.6 Equipment is available and effectively used for the intended project purpose.						
3.5.7 The branding and information and publicity rules of the Programme are respected.						
3.5.8 The equipment declared to the project were not financed (partially or fully) by other funds.						
3.5.9 In the case of cost of any equipment located and operating outside the cooperation area and outside the EU the JS has accepted. Verify that activities outside the cooperation area and outside the EU are foreseen in the AF or they are expressly accepted by the JS.						
					: deductions (if any) are allocated to sere findings?" is answered with a YES)	
Description of findings, observations and n.a. limitations						
Conclusions and recommendations	n.a.					
Follow-up measures for the next progress report	🗌 n.a.					
.6 Infrastructure and works						

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Compared to the previous reporting period infrastructure and works is reported. If Yes external contract checklist for each new co	Yes	🗌 No			
Criteria – Real costs		Accepted			
[according to Article 44 of the Interreg Regulation]	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	Cor	nments
3.6.1 Providers of infrastructure and works are external to the project partnership and to associated partners organisations. e.g. Interview the project partner to verify that infrastructure and work providers are not project partners and associated partner institutes.					
3.6.2 Invoices or documents of equivalent probative value are in line with the contract(s) or, where applicable, the selected offer in terms of amount and nature. e.g. Inspect invoices and documents of equivalent probative value to verify that they are in accordance with the contract(s) or selected offers.					



3.6.3 The costs are related to a pilot activity.					
3.6.4 The branding and information and publicity rules of the Programme concerning the cost category are respected. <i>Cf. Please refer to the manual to check the rules</i>					
3.6.5 The activity related to the declared cost is located in the Programme cooperation area.					
General comments, recommendations, points to follow-up; NOTE: deductions (if any) are allocated to the relevant cost categories. (Note: section appears if the question "Are there findings?" is answered with a YES)					
Description of findings, observations and limitations	n.a.				
Conclusions and recommendations	n.a.				
Follow-up measures for the next progress report	n.a.				

4. Compliance with information and publicity requirements

Criteria			Accepted				
[according to Annex IX CPR a 47 and 49(6) CPR].	and Articles 46,	Yes	Not (fully)	n.a.	Comments		
4.1 Information and publicity rules of the EU were complied with. e.g., Inspect project publicity items, including brochures, agendas of conferences, studies and deliverables to ensure they meet the publicity requirements outlined in Annex XII CPR.							
4.2 All communication and ware made available upon reconsuch material is granted to the .g., Communication and visibility minspected and contains Union rights Article 47 CPR.	f						
General comments, recommendations, points to follow-up; NOTE: deductions (if any) are allocated to the relevant cost categories. (Note: section appears if the question "Are there findings?" was answered with a YES)							
Description of findings, observations and limitations	n.a.						
Conclusions and recommendations	n.a.						
Follow-up measures for the next progress report	n.a.						



5. Compliance with other EU rules

<u>Guide to controllers:</u> Control is asked here for a professional judgement as a controller based on experience and training, but not for the expertise of EU policies on sustainable development, equal opportunities and non-discrimination, equality between men and women, or State Aid. Controller is asked to confirm that he/she has not come across anything that made him/her doubt that the EU horizontal principles are not adhered to.

Criteria		Accepted	ł	
		Not (fully)	n.a.	Comments
[according to Article 3 of the Treaty on the European Union (TEU)] 5.1 There is no evidence that the project activities do not comply with the EU horizontal principle of sustainable development. <i>e.g. Compare the partner report to the AF and verify that</i> <i>activities are in line with the AF and do not raise any new</i> <i>issues.</i>				
5.2 There is no evidence that equipment purchased does not comply with EU, national and local legislation in terms of environmental impacts, required permits, etc. e.g. Verify based on your professional judgement as a controller that compulsory requirements set by the EU, national and local legislation related to respective equipment are fulfilled (e.g., environmental impacts, permits, etc.).		T I		
5.3 There is no evidence that infrastructure and works do not comply with EU, national and local legislation in terms of environmental impacts, required permits, etc. e.g. Verify based on your professional judgement as a controller that compulsory requirements set by the EU, national and local legislation related to respective infrastructure and works are fulfilled (e.g., environmental impact assessment, building permissions, etc.).				
5.4 There is no evidence that the respect of all principles mentioned in "statement of capacity and compliance with the principles of investment' are not ensured. In case of yes, please specify the documents provided by the PP. In case of no, please specify the exact principle not documented and provide compulsory follow-up measure.				
5.5 There is no evidence that the investment related to the infrastructure could significantly harm the environment and the climate or that a significant deviation from the above-mentioned investment would imply a revision of the project DNSH (Do No Significant Harm) screening grid.				



5.6 Based on the available information, the project activities comply with the EU horizontal principle of gender equality and non-discrimination. <i>e.g. Compare the partner report to the AF and verify that activities are in line with the AF and do not raise any new issues.</i>						
 5.7 Based on the available information, there is no evidence that the project activities do not comply with EU and programme rules on State Aid. e.g. Compare the partner report to the AF and verify that activities are in line with the AF and do not raise any new issues. e.g. Verify that the project partner does not exceed the de minimis threshold and is not 'in difficulty'. 						
5.8 Costs incurred and paid in currency other than Euro, have been correctly converted in Euro by the system. e.g. Verify that the JEMS is using the monthly accounting exchange rate of the European Commission in force in the month in which the expenditure was submitted by the partner to the National Controller for verification.				C	S	
General comments, recommendations, points to follow-up; NOTE: deductions (if any) are allocated to the relevant cost categories. (Note: section appears if the question "Are there findings?" was answered with a YES)						
Description of findings, observations and limitations	n.a.					
Conclusions and recommendations	n.a.					
Follow-up measures for the next progress report	n.a.					

