

Implementing P05!



Draft agenda

09 December 2021 (10:00 – 12:30 CET)

On-line





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Outline

Policy Objective 5 (P05) stands out among the objectives of Cohesion Policy since it is strategy-based and focussed on the development of territories according to their specific needs. One of its roots is the so-called place-based approach.

The implementation of P05 poses several legal requirements: a multi-sectoral strategy for the development of the territory, an implementation tool, a body implementing the Strategy and its empowerment. Implementing the policy objective requires close cooperation between the actors at programme level (MA/JS and MC) and those at territorial level (i.e. the body governing the Strategy and a steering committee).

The strategy building and implementation process rests on several cornerstones:

1. Definition of the functional cross-border territory
2. Governance for the preparation and implementation of the strategy
3. Establishing the Strategy by the territory
4. Approving the funding of the Strategy by the MC / the programme authorities
5. Selection of the projects (in the Strategy or later); Developing a fair and transparent approach to assessment and selection of projects by the respective committee at level of the territory
6. From project intent in the Strategy to project applications fit for grant letters

What matters is the strategy itself and its governance (e.g. the mechanisms to select the individual projects, the pre-checks to ensure that the selected projects will be of sufficient quality for the programme, etc.). The crucial point is the selection of projects since it is decisive for the implementation of the Strategy. The projects should be selected by the representatives of the territory; the MA checks if projects are eligible, i.e. if the projects are in accordance with the programme and the Regulation.

There is no one-size-fits-all approach to the implementation of P05. Practical approaches might differ depending on the territorial and administrative context. Hence, we think it is useful that the programmes having opted for P05 share and exchange.

Objectives

In close cooperation with colleagues from DG Regio we invite representatives from all programmes which have chosen P05 to an open exchange on the planned implementation tools and routines. We would like to

- discuss it with you,
- collect your questions, doubts and concerns
- jointly search for answers, solutions and common sense

Who is it for?

Please note that the target group for this workshop is staff from MA/JS or territorial representatives directly involved in the implementation of P05 (e.g. Euroregions, EGTCs, etc.). Hence, it is only for those programmes that will (or envisage) use P05.



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09.45 – 10.00

Check-in to virtual meeting room and technical settings

Please join the virtual meeting room before the start of the meeting. It will be open 15 min before the event starts.

10.00 – 10.15

Welcome and introduction

Interact, DG Regio

- Meeting objectives
- Context of P05

10.15 – 11.00

Focus on key issues related to P05: definition of the functional cross-border territory, preparation of the strategy, governance for the preparation and implementation of the strategy, content of the programme

DG Regio, Interact, All

Objective: *To have a common understanding of the key issues and intents of P05*

11.00 – 11.15

Comfort break

11.15 – 12.15

Let's exchange along key cornerstones of the implementation process!

All, Interact, DG Regio

- Focus on strategy-setting and implementation:
Project development and selection, contracting

Objective: *To exchange on options, questions and problems related to strategy-building, decision-making on the strategy, implementation and governance of the strategy*

12.15 – 12.30

Wrap-up and closure – check if /when a next meeting makes sense

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