

Management verifications in Interreg



16 – 17 May 2024Athens, GreeceManagement & Organisation Unit of Development Programmes





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Outlines

Interact organises this recurring event with our colleagues from the Managing Authority INTERREG 2021-2027, Unit C "Management Verifications" based in Thessaloniki, Greece.

Objectives

The objective of the workshop is to discuss and present the methodology for risk-based management verifications developed by the Managing Authority, which applies to the entire programme. The event also aims to provide a platform for participants to engage in productive discussions and exchange ideas related to challenges from management verification in 2021-2027, control of simplified cost options, and Harmonised Implementation Tools developed by Interact toward the relevant programmes' documents concerning management verifications. We will also discuss and evaluate the control during 2014-2020, including cases from the activity of control, irregularities, and financial corrections that could be avoided.

Who is this meeting for?

The target group is the staff of the different authorities of the Interreg programmes: MAs, AAs, JSs, NAs and Controllers.

Kindly note that participation in this meeting is by invitation only.

How to register?

As usual, please access the following <u>link</u> using your Interact account login credentials.

About the network

The network that started in 2018 with physical meetings in Thessaloniki, Greece, is composed of the following Interreg programs: INTERREG VI-A "Greece-Bulgaria", "Greece-Italy", and "Greece-Cyprus" CBC programmes INTERREG IPA "Greece-Albania" and "Greece-North Macedonia". The network adopts a problem-solving approach, primarily focusing on facilitating information exchange, sharing experiences, best practices and lessons learned from management verifications while ensuring the transfer of fundamental knowledge to the programmes' controllers - the "train the trainer" part.



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Day One Current

Thursday, 16 May 2024

local time in Greece –	
9:00 - 9:30	Registration and welcome coffee with Interact and Managing Authority
9:30 - 10:00	Introduction and objective of the meeting Interact, MA of Interreg Programmes 2021-2027
10:00 – 11:00	Overview of the legislative framework, including an overall evaluation of the controls during 2014-2020 programming period (MIS outputs) MA of Interreg Programmes 2021-2027
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 13:00	Irregularities and financial corrections that could be avoided (public procurement, communication, etc) – Case studies MA of Interreg Programmes 2021-2027 & National Authorities
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 14:30	Harmonised Implementation Tools (HIT) control pack developed by Interact (control pack) toward the relevant programmes' documents concerning management verifications (reports, checklists) Interact
14:30 – 15:15	Control of simplified cost options Interact
15:15 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 17:00	Discussion, questions and answers, problems encountered during the control of the projects MA of Interreg Programmes 2021-2027
17:00	Closure of the first day



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Day Two Current local time in Greece –	Friday, 17 May 2024
09:30 - 09:45	Quick reconnection and reflections from the first day Interact, MA of Interreg Programmes 2021-2027
09:45 - 10:30	Risk-based management verifications in 2021-2027 REGIO EMPL- DAC7 unit
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee break
10:45 – 12:00	Methodology for risk-based management verifications – development – Critical points MA of Interreg Programmes 2021-2027
12:00 – 13:00	Inputs – discussion by National Authorities MA and National Control Authorities
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00	Opinion By Audit Authorities Audit Authorities of Participating countries
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break
15:15 – 17:00	Wrap up and closure of the meeting Conclusions and next steps Scheduling of the next meeting



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Practicalities

The event will be held in English. Participation in the event is free of charge. However, registration is required.

Venue

The workshop will take place on 16-17 May 2024 at the Management & Organisation Unit of Development Programmes, 78A, Louizis Riankour str., GR-115 24 Athens.

Travel

Participants are responsible for their travel arrangements. Book flights to the Athens Airport.

Accommodation

We suggest booking and planning your trip using these two links: www.booking.com and www.thisisathens.org

Other information

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We look forward to meeting you in Athens!