

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Programme perspective (Management Authorities of Interreg programmes)**

**Simplification of European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) in the post-2020 programming period**

Workshop is taking place in Brussels, 22 November 2017

The purpose of this questionnaire is to identify key causes of complexity and structure the discussions on the day of the workshop. An analysis of replies and most common complexity issues will be presented on the day by the moderators and the outcome of this questionnaires will be used in the final report that will be shared with other EU institutions.

Please return us the filled-in questionnaire to egtc@cor.europa.eu by **6 November.** At the bottom of each table you will find an "other" row where all other complexity issues can be specified. For practical reasons we would prefer contributions in English.

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| **Potential causes of complexity** | **Evaluation***(please classify from 1-5:**1= not complex**5= very complex)* | **What exactly is the problem?***(please describe)* | **What would be suitable solutions?** |
| Changes of the Legal Base Regulation/delegating/ implementing acts*(Y/N; if yes, please specify which rule and if possible how and when)* | Changes in the application of the existing rules*(Y/N; if Yes please specify)* | Other Measures *(i.e. better co-operation, more guidance, technical assistance etc.)* |
| **Programme management** |
| Designation Procedure (*Art. 124 CPR*) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Functions of the managing authority (*Art. 125 CPR*) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Functions of the certifying authority (*Art. 126 CPR*) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Functions of the audit authority *(Art 127 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| General principles of management and control systems *(Art 72)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Project implementation** |
| Eligibility rules(*Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 481/2014 of 4 March 2014*) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Exchange rate (*Art. 133 Reg. (EU) No 1303/2013 and art. 28 Reg. (EU) No 1299/2013*) |  |  |  |  |  |
| State aid rules |  |  |  |  |  |
| Procurement rules and procedures |  |  |  |  |  |
| Simplified cost options (*Guidance on Simplified Cost Options EGESIF\_14-0017*) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gold-plating by Member States |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Auditing** |
| Minimum requirements for the audit trail, scope and content of audits of operations, deficiencies in the effective functioning of management and control systems (*Commission delegated regulation* *(EU) No 480/2014 of 3 March 2014)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| System audits and audits of operations *(Art 74 and Art 75 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Audit work of the Commission *(Art 75 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sampling methods / guidance on statistical sampling |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anti-fraud measures (*Art 125§ 4 CPR*) |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Reporting** |
| Progress report *(Art. 52 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Information on a major project *(Art 101 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reporting on the joint action plan *(Art 106)* |  |  |  |  |  |
|  Implementation Reports *(Art. 50 CPR and Art 111)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evaluation Plan *(Art 56 + 114 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Models for submission of reports *(Commission implementing regulation (EU) 2015/207 of 20 January 2015* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Models for submission of information to the Commission *(Commission implementing regulation (EU) No 1011/2014 of 22 September 2014)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reporting on Financial instruments *(Commission implementing regulation (EU) No 821/2014 of 28 July 2014)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reporting of irregularities *(Art 122 CPR + Commission implementing regulation (EU) 2015/1974 of 8 July 2015 + Commission delegated regulation (EU) 2015/1970 of 8 July 2015)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Information and Communication *(Art 115, 116 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Submission of information – Accounts, management declaration, audit opinion *(Art 138 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Availability of documents *(Art 140 CPR)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reporting requirements linked to non-Cohesion policy legislation |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Compatibility with other regulations** |
| Overall coherence of ESIF requirements with other areas of EU legislation |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coherence of ESIF definitions with other areas of EU legislation |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coherence of ESIF procedures with other areas of EU legislation |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other complexity issues: |  |  |  |  |  |