

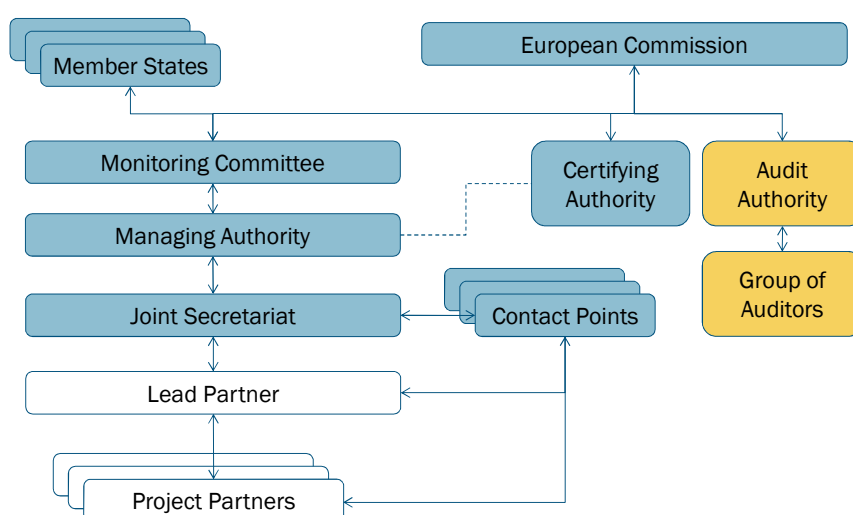
Project Implementation - Audit and Financial Corrections

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Audit and control bodies



Audit Authority (AA)



Function	Responsibility
Works independently	Verifies the successful implementation
Located in the same Member State as the MA	Ensures that audits are carried out on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • management and control system, • sample of operations • annual accounts

Group of Auditors (GoA)



Function	Responsibility
Supports Audit Authority	Performs and organises second level control
Representatives from each country in the programme	

Audit of operations



Purpose

Accuracy

Reliability

Eligibility

Procedure/Outcomes

Once a year

Contradiction

Irregularities

Interruption

Audit of operations



– what does it mean for a project?

Once project or partner is sampled to be audited:

- Information on when auditors come
- All documents ready to be inspected
- Person at partner institution delegated to “serve” auditors
- Audit report with findings shared with the Partner
- Recommendations to be implemented



Financial errors



Ineligible expenditure that is NOT deemed an irregularity:

- corrected before the submission MA/JS;
- deducted by the MA/JS;
- addressed by the CA



Errors do not decrease the project budget.

Irregularities



An ineligible amount that was **already included** in the claim to the European Commission is considered an irregularity.

- One-off or systematic
- Require programme level corrections in the form of withdrawals or recoveries.
- Can affect the project implementation:
 - further checks and/or
 - repayment of funds.

Irregularities decrease the project budget.

Irregularities – 2% error rate



- Sample of operations – size of the sample relates to amount claimed from COM
- Total value of the sample
- Maximum 2 % at the programme level
 - yearly
 - at programme closure.

Irregularities do not decrease the programme budget if recovered or withdrawn.



Cooperation works

All materials will be available on:

www.interact-eu.net

