

# Focus on selection! Vol 2 – the process

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**Draft agenda**

**19 May 2022 (09:30 – 13:15 CET)**

Online





## Focus on selection! #2

### Online, 19 May 2022

#### Outline

The assessment and selection of projects is most probably the decisive step in the project management cycle of an Interreg programme. To fund projects with high value-added in compliance with the programme objectives is the key purpose for every Interreg programme.

In close cooperation with colleagues from DG Regio we want to focus on these two steps. The first webinar focuses on the **building blocks** and technical requirements. In the second webinar we would like to focus on the **process** and practical implications.

Seemingly, there is still work to be done in that regard. The European Court of Auditor's (ECA) Report on Interreg has revealed that selection is one of the major deficiencies in many programmes and a significant number of projects fails to achieve sustainable results; the latter point indicates another challenge which is linked to deficiencies in selection.

In this webinar we will focus on the process from different but quite practical perspectives.

You will have the opportunity to hear and share reflections about the major milestones:

- Assessment work
- Preparation of decision-making
- Taking the decision

#### Objectives

In close cooperation with colleagues from DG Regio we invite representatives from all programmes to join our event in order to:

- Hear and share reflections on assessment and selection
- Collect your questions, doubts and concerns
- Search for answers, solutions and common sense

#### Who is it for?

Please note that the target group for this workshop is staff from managing authorities (MA) and joint secretariats (JS), national authorities (NA) but also Monitoring Committee (MC) members and staff from other bodies working closely on the subject.



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**09.20 – 09.30**

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 10 min before the event starts.

**09.30 – 09.45**

Welcome and introduction, meeting objectives

*Interact, DG Regio*

**09.45 – 10.30**

**Assessment work**

*Assessor, JS and MA representative, interview by Interact*

- Review on approaches to sub-questions and weighting of criteria
- Practical experience with assessment work, assessor's point of view and expectation management

**Q&A**

**Objective:** To hear first-hand expertise and share reflections

**10.30 – 11.15**

**Preparation of decision-making**

- Review on practical examples how MC meetings are prepared – practices in cross-border and transnational programmes
- Practical examples

**Objective:** To get an overview on possible approaches

**11.15 – 11.30**

Comfort break

**11.30 – 13.00**

**Decision-making**

Introduction:

- DG Regio: legal requirements
- Review on planned practices in decision-making

Panel on:

- Planned practices
- Highlighting the cooperation dimension
- Preventing conflict of interest

**Q&A**

**Objective:** To reflect on approaches and options in decision-making

**13.00 – 13.15**

Wrap-up and farewell address, follow-up