

# Programme closure 2014-2020



**22 September 2022**  
Online event

## Outline

The time of the closure of the 2014-2020 programming period is drawing close. Given the importance of the timely and efficient closure of cooperation programmes, the event aims to provide guidance to implementing authorities on the closing of programmes in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and the legal acts of general application adopted on its basis. The recommendations and procedures described in the closure guidelines (Commission Notice 2021/C 417/01) will be explained by DG REGIO experts, information on response to the war in Ukraine and the COVID-19 crisis will be shared as well as their impact on programme closure. There will also be possibilities to ask questions during the event.

The online conference is open to all Interreg ERDF and IPA CBC managing authorities, joint secretariats, certifying authorities and audit authorities. NB: This event is not meant for ENI programmes.

## Objectives

The objective of the online event is to explain the tasks and requirements related to the closure of the 2014-2020 programming period and to provide a forum for Interreg authorities to ask questions related to programme closure from Commission experts representing different units (F1, DAC, B2, B3, D2 etc).



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**Agenda**

**09.15 – 11.40 CET 22 September 2022**

**09.15 – 09.30** Check in to the virtual room and technical settings

**09.30 – 09.40** Introduction & objectives of the meeting  
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**09.40 – 10.15** Session 1: General issues + Q&A  
*Isabel VON TEUFENSTEIN and Kristina KUZMANOVA,*  
*European Commission, Unit F1, DG REGIO*

*Topics to be addressed:*

- a. Rationale of 2014-2020 closure / General principles / Scope*
- b. Preparation for closure / Early closure / Programme amendments*
- c. Timeline*
- d. Financial management / Overbooking / Flexibility*
- e. Payment of the final balance*

**10.15 – 10.50** Session 2: Closure documents I: FIR and its annexes + Q&A  
*Isabel VON TEUFENSTEIN and Kristina KUZMANOVA,*  
*European Commission, Unit F1, DG REGIO*

*Topics to be addressed:*

- a. Structure: Annex X*
- b. Indicators (General and Programme Specific) and Performance Framework: COVID and UA*
- c. Phased operations*
- d. Non-functioning operations*
- e. Ongoing national investigations and suspended operations*

**10.50 – 11.25** Session 3: Closure documents II: Assurance package + Q&A  
*Isabel VON TEUFENSTEIN and Kristina KUZMANOVA,*  
*European Commission, Unit F1, DG REGIO*

*Topics to be addressed:*

- a. Assurance package: accounts and irregularities*
- b. Management declaration and Annual Summary*
- c. Audit opinion and control report (Financial Instruments, Indicators)*



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**Session 4: Any other questions and wrap up**

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