

# Risk-based management verifications



**23 - 24 November 2022**

Turin, Italy

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#### **Outlines**

Recital 62 of CPR says that “To ensure an appropriate balance between the effective and efficient implementation of the Funds and the related administrative costs and burdens, the frequency, scope and coverage of management verifications should be based on a risk assessment that takes into account factors such as the number, type, size and content of operations implemented, the beneficiaries as well as the level of the risk identified by previous management verifications and audits. Management verifications should be proportionate to the risks resulting from that risk assessment, and audits should be proportionate to the level of risk to the budget of the Union.” As the recital suggests, management verifications in the 2021-2027 programming period should be risk-based and proportionate to risks identified ex-ante and in writing. This suggests a great change to the way management verifications were implemented in 2014-2020, where only several programmes used a risk-based approach.

This event intends to bring together managing authorities of Interreg programmes (incl. IPA-CBC and NDICI programmes) and create a space for programmes to exchange on how to approach management verifications in 2021-2027. We will have with us a representative from the EC who will guide participants through the legal requirements. Participants will get a chance to exchange on the process of the methodology development and will hear from Interreg programmes that have already developed their methodologies for risk-based management verifications. We will discuss how the management verifications work of the MA is different to the audit work performed by the AA. In addition, we will try to identify areas which bring questions/ raise concerns when it comes to risk-based management verifications.

The Final agenda will be sent out one week before the event.

#### **Objectives**

We will see to:

- familiarise ourselves with the legal requirements for management verifications in 2021-2027;
- discuss fears and areas which bring concerns when it comes to risk-based management verifications and try to search for solutions jointly;
- look at the process of the development of the methodology for risk-based management verifications;
- exchange on Interreg programmes experience with developing methodologies;
- plan and define priority areas for management verification work for 2023.

#### **Target group**

The event is dedicated and limited to the managing authorities of the Interreg programmes. To ensure participation of a wide range of programmes, the participation could be limited to 2 representatives per programme.



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#### **Day one**

**Wednesday, 23 November 2022**

**09.30 – 10.00 Registration and Welcome Coffee / Tea**

**10.00 – 10.15 Introduction**

- Work plan & practicalities
- Objectives and working agreements

**10.15 – 11.30 Risk-based management verifications – Legal requirements in 2021-2027**

*EC Representative*

Objectives of the session: rationale, approach, main principles and points of attention to risk-based management verifications will be presented based on the EC reflection note. A summary of the Q&A document prepared after [Interact's event in May](#) will be given. A short Q&A session is included.

**11.30 – 12.00 Coffee break**

**12.00 – 13.00 How to develop a methodology for risk-based management verifications? – Part 1**

*Interact & all*

In this session, we will look at the process of developing the methodology for risk-based management verifications. Participants will work in groups to discuss the overall process, steps and sequence of processes.

**13.00 – 14.00 Lunch**

**14.00 – 15.30 How to develop a methodology for risk-based management verifications? – Part 2**

*Interact & all*

Objectives of the session: based on the case studies that provide background information on a specific programme, participants will tailor their methodology for risk-based management verifications. As the next step, participants will apply the methodology to verify the first progress report.

**15.30 – 15.45 Coffee break**

**15.45 – 17.00 Methodologies for risk-based management verifications**

*Interact & Interreg programmes (tbc)*



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In this session, several Interreg programmes will present their methodologies for risk-based management verifications in 2021-2027. A Q&A session is included.

**17.00** Wrap-up and closure of day 1

**Day two** **Thursday, 24 November 2022**

**09.00 – 09.30** **Reconnection for Day 2**  
*Interact*

**09.30 – 11.00** **Management verifications of MA versus audit work of AA**  
*Interact*

Objectives of the session: to explain and discuss the fundamental difference between management verifications performed by the MA and audits performed by the AA or EC and ECA auditors. A Q&A session is included.

**11.00 – 11.30** **Coffee break**

**11.30 – 12.45** **Demystifying risk-based management verifications – Group work**  
*Interact & all*

Objectives of the session: to discuss and try to demystify fears and issues around risk-based management verifications (collected via the registration tool).

**12.45 – 13.00** **Planning management verifications work and next steps for 2023**  
*Interact & all*

**13.00 – 14.00** **Farewell lunch**



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#### **Practicalities**

##### **Venue**

The venue of the event will be communicated shortly.

##### **Travel**

TBC

##### **Accommodation**

Participants are responsible for their own accommodation arrangements.

##### **Contact**

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