

Why • Simplification for SPF beneficiaries • Limited scope of controls • Elimination of irregularities and mistakes • Faster refunds How • Historical data - ratio: micro projects' expenditures/ management costs • Flat rate calculated on the reported costs of small projects Issues to address • Lack of small project costs in the first phase of SPF implementation • Extended period of pre-financing by SPF beneficiaries

The methodology

Cost categories covered by the flat rate

- Staff
- Office and administration
- Travel and accommodation
- External expertise and services
- Equipment

How we calculated the flat rate

Input data

- SPF management costs 2014-2020 incurred in 6 umbrella projects under Interreg PL-SK SPF (real costs)
- Validated by the controllers expenditures of microprojects implemented under the 6 umbrella projects (real costs and flat rates)

Calculation

- Ratio: SPF management costs 2014-2020 / costs of microprojects X 100% = 22%
- 22% calculated on the basis of validated costs of small projects = 18% of the total SPF budget (in line with the Interreg regulation, < 20% of the SPF budget)

Approval of the Audit Authority

Application and conditions Offered as an option to the SPF beneficiaries Advance payments to compensate lack/insufficiency of small project expenditures in the first stage of the SPF implementation

