

Main procedural elements for selection of NGOs/associations/foundations interested to participate in the Monitoring Committee of the INTERREG V-A Romania-Hungary Programme, as observers

Given the requirements of Regulation No. 1303/2013, Article 5 (*which requires a broader partnership framework involved in monitoring process for European Territorial Cooperation Programmes*) the Programme Monitoring Committee should consist of relevant stakeholders from local, regional, county and national levels, from the fields expected to receive funding.

In this regard, based on the agreement of the participating Member States on the nominal composition of the Monitoring Committee for INTERREG V-A Romania-Hungary Programme the participation of two NGOs/associations/foundations per country (in Romania and in Hungary) being active in the fields of environmental protection and business environment, with the role of supporting the work of the Monitoring Committee, as observers will be ensured.

Areas of activity of NGOs / associations / foundations participating in the Monitoring Committee as observers are:

- Environmental protection;
- Business environment.

To ensure a transparent framework for institutional co-operation, the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration in Romania and Prime Minister's Office in Hungary organize the selection process of the above-mentioned organisations, which will participate as observers in the Monitoring Committee.

Calling on NGOs/associations/foundations from Romania/Hungary interested in participating as observers in the Monitoring Committee (MC), MRDPA from Romania and PMO from Hungary will advertise on the website of the MRDPA, of BRECO, of the CBC Programme Hungary - Romania 2007-2013. Moreover, upon request, the County Councils in the eligible area will also advertise this announcement in line with multi-level governance and bottom-up approach on their official websites.

Organizations active in environmental protection / businesses environment, which are interested, are asked to submit their applications until 14.09.2015:

- for Romania: to the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration - Directorate Managing Authority for European Territorial Cooperation Programmes address: 17, Apolodor Str., North Wing, Sector 5, Bucharest - local time 16:00;
- for Hungary: to the Prime Minister's Office, Deputy State Secretariat for Internal Affairs, by e-mail Nikoletta Horváth, deputy head of department (nikoletta.horvath@me.gov.hu) and Stella Fruzsina Hossó, programme manager (stella.fruzsina.hosso@me.gov.hu) - Budapest - local time 24:00;

The Application Package consists on the following documents:

- Letter of intent, outlining the rationale expressed by the interested organization;
- Statute of the organization (copy);

- Registration Certificate in the Register of Associations and Foundations (copy - only for Romania);
- Unique registration code (copy- only for Romania);
- List of members and employees of the organization - *only for Romania*;
- CVs of experts (members or employees) with relevant activities in the field of activity of the organization, proposed to represent the organization in the Monitoring Committee (observer and substitute);
- Description of activity of the organization since its establishment to date, outlining the activities conducted in the field of environmental protection / business environment in order to justify the number of projects and number of years in experience in cooperation with Romanian/Hungarian partners;
- Signed Declaration on the achieved results in already implemented projects;
- Signed Declaration on not being involved in cases of frauds, termination of contracts/ legal disputes regarding the recovery of funds from own fault.

The Managing Authority and Prime Minister's Office will ensure the selection and nomination for NGOs/associations/foundations in the field of environmental protection and business environment from Romania, respectively from Hungary.

For each country, the Managing Authority (RO) and the Prime Minister's Office (HU) will centralize the applications submitted by NGOs/associations/foundations and will ensure, within 15 working days, the selection based on an evaluation grid, which is annexed to the Announcement to be published on the website, along with the current document.

The result of the selection will be published on the same websites where the selection procedure was launched. At the same time, the organizations selected will be notified in this regard. Regarding the fact that the Member States are entitled to set up the Monitoring Committee, the MRDPA/Prime Minister's Office acting as Managing Authority/National Authority will send official requests on nomination, by sending out the template for nomination.