



## **First call for project proposals under the Interreg Europe 2014-2020 Programme**

As the national coordinator of the 2014-2020 Territorial Cooperation Programmes, which include the Interreg Europe Programme, the Funds and Programmes Division within the Parliamentary Secretariat for the EU Presidency 2017 and EU Funds, Ministry of European Affairs and Implementation of the Electoral Manifesto, is pleased to announce that the Interreg Europe Cooperation Programme has been approved by the European Commission on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June 2015. Further to this important achievement, the first call for project proposals under this Programme has now been formally launched and it shall remain open until the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015.

This Programme has a budgetary allocation of €359 million, and provides for cooperation between regions from the entire territory of the European Union, together with Norway and Switzerland. The first call for proposals has a budget of €107.5 million and focuses on interregional cooperation projects i.e. 'classic' interregional cooperation projects comparable to those funded under the Programme's predecessor; the Interreg IVC programme. The Programme is organised around four priority axes namely:- Strengthening research, technological development and innovation; Enhancing the competitiveness of SMEs; Supporting the shift towards a low carbon economy in all sectors and Protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency.

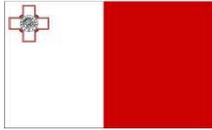
Applications may be received from public authorities, bodies governed by public law and private non-profit bodies operating in the Programme's eligible area. Public bodies and bodies governed by public law from all 28 European Member States are eligible for a co-financing rate of 85% whereas private non-profit bodies may receive 75% co-financing. It is important to note that any project proposals, including all relevant documentation, have to be submitted online ([www.iOLF.eu](http://www.iOLF.eu)) at the latest by 31 July 2015, 12:00 p.m. CEST (Paris time). In addition, an original unbound hard copy of the project's summary, dated, stamped and carrying the original wet ink signature and where relevant of the signed letters of support must be sent to the Programme's Joint Secretariat within the deadline at the following address: *Interreg Europe Programme, Les Arcuriales, Entre D-5e etage, 45 rue de Tournai, 59000 Lille, France.*

At national level, all Maltese applicants have to provide FPD, at least within two weeks from the closing date of the application, with certified true copies of the following documentation:

- i. Project remit within the mandate of the beneficiary;
- ii. Letter of support;
- iii. State Aid declaration;
- iv. Vat declaration;
- v. Copy of the application form;
- vi. Confirmation of the legal status;
- vii. Proof of financing(100%).

All above documentation are to be presented in the time stipulated to the Territorial Cooperation Unit at FPD in Triq il-Kukkanja, Santa Venera.

For further information on the above mentioned call or on the INTERREG EUROPE 2014-2020 Programme in general, kindly contact the Territorial Cooperation Unit within FPD either by phone on 2200 1142 or by email: [fpd.meaim@gov.mt](mailto:fpd.meaim@gov.mt).



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