





IMPORTANT!

The second Call for Proposals of the Joint Operational Programme Black Sea Basin 2014-2020 is open starting with 1 October 2018.

Deadline for submission of proposals: 31 January 2019, 14,00 hrs. Romania time.

The eMS does not allow submission of any Application after the deadline. The evaluation and selection process starts after the deadline of the call for proposal.

Submission of applications

Applicants have to complete and submit their application electronically via the electronic monitoring system of the programme (e-MS) - http://ems-bs.mdrap.ro.

Financial allocation

The overall indicative amount of ENI funds for the two thematic objectives for the second call is 24,479,111.70 EUR.

<u>Indicative allocation of ENI funds by</u>

The distribution of ENI funds by priority will be as presented in the table below:

Priority	EU funding	Co financing	Total funding (EU+National)
Specific objective 1	14,053,458.03	1,124,276.64	15,177,734.67
Priority 1.1	9,837,420.62	786,993.65	10,624,414.27
Priority 1.2	4,216,037.41	337,282.99	4,553,320.40
Specific objective 2	10,425,653.67	834,052.30	11,259,705.98
Priority 2.1	5,212,826.835	417,026.15	5,629,852.99
Priority 2.2	5,212,826.835	417,026.15	5,629,852.99
Total	24,479,111.70	1,958,328.94	26,437,440.65 ¹

1 - The final amount which will be allocated for the second call for proposals may icrease, depending on the savings after finalising the contracting process of the projects selected under the first call for proposals.



The ENI grant shall be maximum 92% of the total eligible costs of the Project (per each Lead/Project partner).

The rate of national co-financing shall be at least 8% of the total eligible costs of the Project, calculated per Lead/Project partner budgets in the project.

Size of ENI grants

Any grant awarded under this Call for Proposals for the implementation of a Project must fall between the following minimum and maximum amounts:

	Minimum amount (EUR)	Maximum amount (EUR)
Priority 1.1	500.000,00	1.500.000,00
Priority 1.2	300.000,00	1.000.000,00
Priority 2.1	500.000,00	1.000.000,00
Priority 2.2	300.000,00	1.000.000,00



<u>Indicative timetable for</u> submission of applications

Deadline for request for any clarifications from the Joint Technical Secretariat (office@bsb.adrse.ro)	
Last date on which clarifications are issued by the Joint Technical Secretariat	24 January 2019
Deadline for submission of Applications	31 January 2019 14:00 hrs.
Please take the time zone differences into account!	Romania time

Any Application submitted by mail/postal services or courier shall not be taken into consideration unless otherwise instructed by the Managing Authority.

The Applicants assume full responsibility for submitting the applications and annexes before the deadline. It is therefore in the interest of the Applicants to submit the applications and upload all required annexes in due time, thus avoiding any problems which may occur in the last moments before the deadline, bearing the risk of impossibility to be solved due to the lack of time.







Project duration

The duration of a project funded under any priority should be of minimum 18 months and not exceed 30 months from the starting date.

Partnership

Number of partners in a project, including the Lead Partner:

- Minimum 3
- Maximum 6

The project Lead Partner may be from any of the participating countries.

Lead Partner and Project partners should be from at least one of the participating EU Member States and one of the participating CBC partner countries. There can be more than 1 partner from the same country in a project.

A Lead Partner may submit more than one application under this Call for Proposals.

A Lead Partner or a Project Partner may at the same time be partner in other application(s).

Participation of Turkish partners is possible in projects with at least one partner from a participating EU Member State and one partner from another participating CBC partner country.

The partnership should include a minimum of three countries complying with these requirements.

Legal Status of the Applicants

a. regional, local or, if necessary for the project purpose, national public authority;

E.g.: regional/county council, local council, municipality, ministry, if necessary.

- b. bodies governed by public law, namely bodies that have all of the following characteristics:
- **(b.1)** they are established for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest, not having an industrial or commercial character;
- (b.2) they have legal personality; and
- **(b.3)** they are financed, for the most part, by the State, regional or local authorities, or by other bodies governed by public law; or are subject to management supervision by those authorities or bodies; or have an administrative, managerial or supervisory board, more than half of whose members are appointed by the State, regional or local authorities, or by other bodies governed by public law;

E.g.: state/regional owned institute, universities and educational institutions, tourism and regional development agencies, cultural and archaeological associations/institutions, nature parks and protected areas management bodies, research institutes, etc.





c. non-profit organizations:

E.g.: associations, unions, foundations, private universities if their legal status is of a non-profit organization, Local Action Groups in the fields of agriculture/rural development, fisheries and aquaculture, Euro regions, European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation².

Geographical location of eligible applicants

- •be a legal entity effectively established (registered and located) in the eligible area of the programme:
- 1. Armenia (all regions),
- 2. Bulgaria (NUTS II regions of Severoiztochen and Yugoiztochen).
- 3. Greece (NUTS II regions of Kentriki Makedonia and Anatoliki Makedonia Thraki),
- 4. Georgia (all regions)
- 5. Republic of Moldova (all regions³)
- 6. Romania (NUTS II region of South-East),
- 7. Turkey (NUTS II equivalent regions of TR10 (İstanbul), TR21 (Tekirdağ, Edirne, Kırklareli), TR42 (Kocaeli, Sakarya, Düzce, Bolu, Yalova), TR81 (Zonguldak, Karabük, Bartın), TR82 (Kastamonu, Çankırı, Sinop), TR83 (Samsun, Tokat, Çorum, Amasya) and TR90 (Trabzon, Ordu, Giresun, Rize, Artvin, Gümüşhane),
- 8. Ukraine (Ódesa, Mykolaiv, Khérson, Zaporosh'ye and Donetsk Oblasts, Crimea Republic, Sevastopol)⁴
- ² According to EU regulation 897/2014, Art.45.3 Regardless of its place of establishment, provided its geographic coverage is within the programme area
- ³ According to the national legislation of the Republic of Moldova, the potential applicants from the Transnistrian area are eligible under the programme only if they are registered as legal entities in the Republic of Moldova.
- ⁴ Please note that at the time of drafting this material, general EU restrictions on cooperation in Crimea Republic and Sevastopol regions are applicable to CBC, as provided for in the ENI CBC Programming document.

All partners should:

- have the capacity and required expertise to address the needs of the target groups and to achieve the project objectives and results;
- have the adequate experience and competence to implement the project:
- be involved in a way that demonstrates the joint implementation of the project.

Eligibility of costs

a. direct costs - cost of staff assigned to the Project, travel and subsistence costs for staff and other persons taking part in the Project, purchase (new) or rental costs for equipment and supplies, costs of consumables (other than office supplies) specifically purchased for the project, costs entailed by contracts awarded by the Lead Beneficiaries and the beneficiaries for the purpose of the project, costs deriving directly from the requirements of the Grant Contract.

<u>b. indirect costs</u> - maximum 7% of the total amount of eligible direct costs of the project, excluding costs incurred in relation to the provision of infrastructure, if the case.

Small scale investments are eligible up to maximum 500,000.00 EUR per project.

Horizontal principles

The supported projects shall seek to integrate in their activities, outputs and results, the horizontal principles of environmental sustainability, gender equality, and if the case, democracy and human rights.

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