



News of the VB Programme

Update from Finance Unit

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Agenda

- + Grant rate
- + Staff costs
- + Overhead costs
- + New budget lines
- + FLC and Audit
- + Practical information



Grant rate

- + 50% matchfunding
- + Of total ERDF budget (maximum)
- + Of total Norwegian budget (maximum)
- + Projects recieve reimbursement for paid expenditure



Staff costs

- + Specific rules for calculating this
- + Programme Manual
- + Fact Sheet



Overhead costs

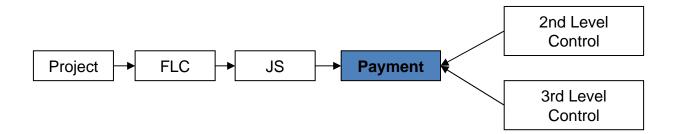
- + 15% flat-rate
- + Calculated on basis of direct staff costs reported
- + Should not be calculated by project (OMS function)





FLC and Audit

+ Control structure similar to the one in IVB





New budgetlines

- 1. Staff Costs
- 2. Office and administration (15% flat-rate)
- 3. Travel and accommodation
- 4. External expertise and services
- 5. Equipment
- 6. (Infrastructure and works)





Practical information



New Online Monitoring System

Easier administration of projects;

- 1. Paperless (after approval of application)
- 2. Digital signiture
- 3. All stakeholders have access
- 4. Easy communication



Where to get knowledge from?

- + Programme Manual
- + www.northsearegion.eu



Specific VB information/rules (Application)

- + Location of beneficiaries and location of activities
- + Technical Assessment of project applications
- + Partnership agreement
- + Intellectual property rights and ownership of project results

- + Indicators
- + Private Sector Beneficiaries
- + Letters of Intent





Specific VB information/rules (Implementation)

- + Tender procedures
- + Lead Beneficiary Principle
- + Publicity Requirements
- + Changes to (or of) the project
- + First Level Control (FLC)
- + Documentation and the audit trial
- + Reporting
- + Final reporting



Specific VB information/rules (Finance)

- + Programme rules on eligibility
- + Staff costs
- + Office and administration
- + Travel and accommodation
- + External expertise and services
- + Equipment
- + Infrastructure and works
- + Preparation costs
- + Shared costs (Joint costs)

- + Revenue
- + Exchange rate
- + In-kind
- + Reporting
- + Final reporting



Conclusion

- + Simpler
- + Quicker
- + Less risk of mistakes
- + Please give feedback on fact sheets
 - →FAQ section on website





THANK YOU

This presentation and more information: www.northsearegion.eu