



INFORMATION SEMINAR for applicants on the 2nd call for proposals (Priority 2.2)



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Overview of the Programme requirements

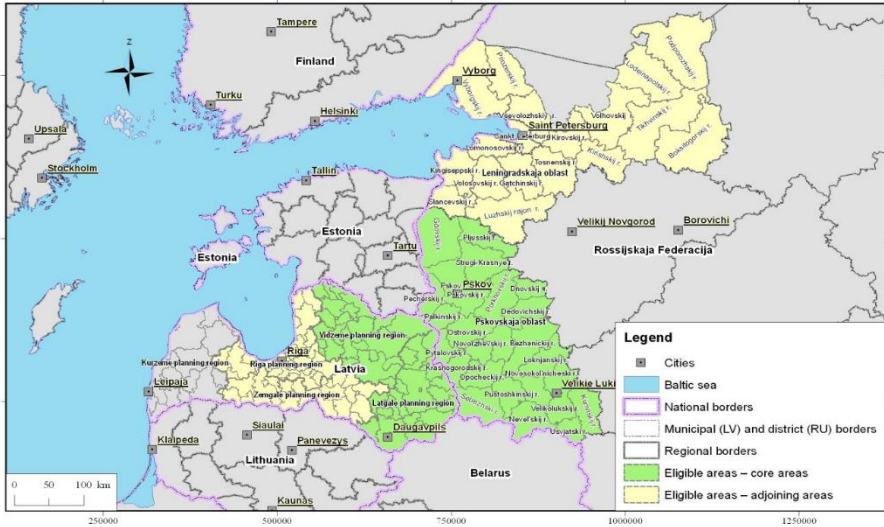


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Programme Territory



Adjoining areas and Major centers participate in the Programme **under same conditions** as the Core area, yet, their participation should **bring substantial added value for the core area** and it is essential for achieving cross-border cooperation impact in the core area.

	Russia	Latvia
Core area	Pskov Region	Vidzeme Latgale
Adjoining area	Leningrad Region	Pieriga Zemgale
Major centers	Saint-Petersburg	Riga



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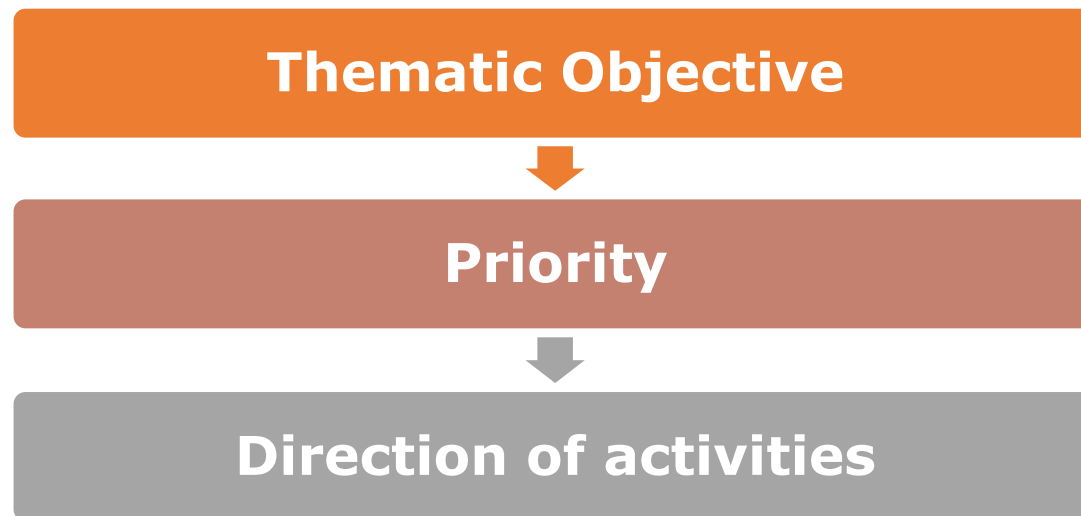


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Strategic goal and thematic structure

Strategic goal of the Programme:

Support joint efforts for addressing cross-border development challenges and promote sustainable use of existing potential of the area across border between Latvia and Russia.



Thematic objectives and priorities

TO 1: Business and SME development



1.1. priority
Promotion of and support to entrepreneurship



1.2. priority
Development and promotion of new products and services based on local resources

TO 6: Environmental protection, climate change mitigation and adaptation

2.1. priority
Efficient management of nature objects



2.2. priority
Joint actions in environmental



Programme management structure

Joint Monitoring Committee

Managing Authority

Audit Authority

Joint Technical Secretariat

- ▶ Main office in Riga
- ▶ Branch Office in Pskov
- ▶ Branch Office in St. Petersburg

Control Contact Point

in the Russian Federation and
the Republic of Latvia

National Authorities



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Programme key framework documents

- **Guidelines for Grant Applicants for 2nd call for proposals**
- **Joint Operational Programme** of the Latvia-Russia Cross-border Cooperation Programme 2014-2020
- **Financing Agreement** between the European Union, the Republic of Latvia and the Russian Federation
- **Implementing Rules of Cross-Border Cooperation Programmes** (Commission Implementing Regulation No 897/2014, 18.08.14)
- **European Neighborhood Instrument Regulation** (Regulation No 232/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council, 11.03.14)
- **Regulation laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action** (Regulation No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council, 11.03.14)
- **Programming document for EU support to ENI Cross-Border Cooperation (2014-2020)**



Programme communication channels



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General eligibility and partnership

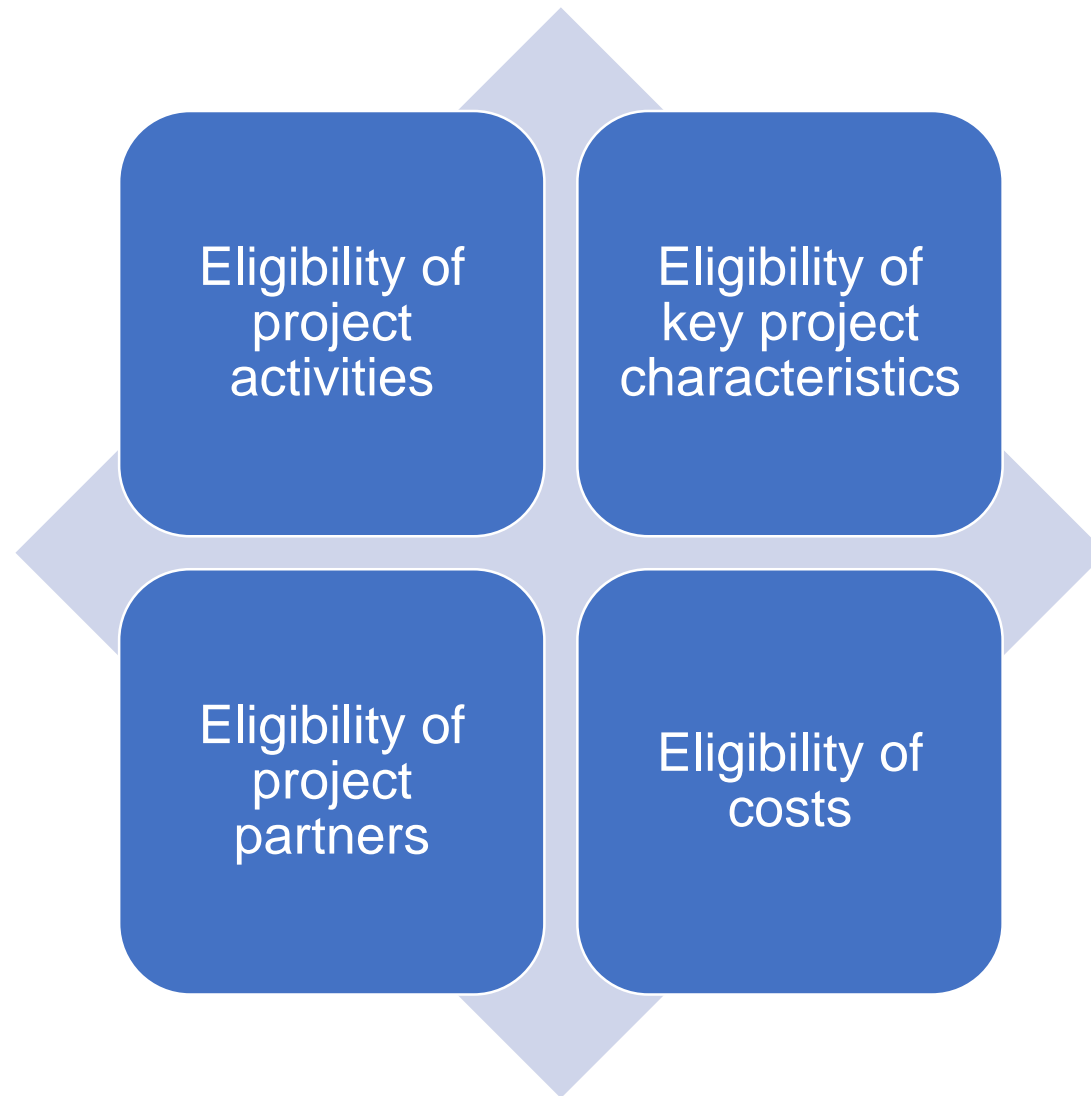


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What is eligibility?



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Eligibility of project activities



- individual sponsorships for participation in workshops, seminars, conferences, congresses
- individual scholarships for studies or training courses
- immediate objective is commercial or profit-making
- political, ideological or religious activities
- pure academic and research-oriented activities without direct applicability to the Programme area
- double-financing
- sub-granting

Please refer: Guidelines for Grant Applicants for 2nd call for proposals, sec. 2.1.



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Eligibility of key project characteristics

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Co-financing rate

applicant and each project partner must contribute not less than 10% of its total eligible costs

24 month

Project duration

grant contracts shall be signed before 31 December, 2021
all project activities shall end latest on 31 December, 2022
maximum project duration is 24 months

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Location

core area: Vidzeme and Latgale regions; Pskov region
adjoining area: Zemgale and Pieriga regions and Riga; Leningrad region and St. Petersburg (*conditions apply*)

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Number of partners

at least two
at least one from the Programme area of the Republic of Latvia
at least one from the Programme area in the Russian Federation

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Sec. 3.1-3.3



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Eligibility of project partners



public authorities / public entities

 national institutions, regional and local authorities

 federal, regional or local authorities

public equivalent bodies

any legal body governed by public or private law

established for the specific purpose of meeting needs for the general interest and not having industrial or commercial character

having legal personality

financed or supervised by bodies governed by public law



non-governmental organisations

established for the specific purpose of meeting needs for the general interest and not having an industrial or commercial character

having legal personality

established at least 2 years prior to closing of the Call



- profit-making
- intermediary
- bankrupt
- professional conduct offence
- grave professional misconduct
- social security and tax arrears
- illegal activity detrimental to EU financial interests
- conflict of interests
- misinformation to MA
- serious breach by contractors

Please refer: Guidelines for Grant Applicants for 2nd call for proposals, Sec. 3:5

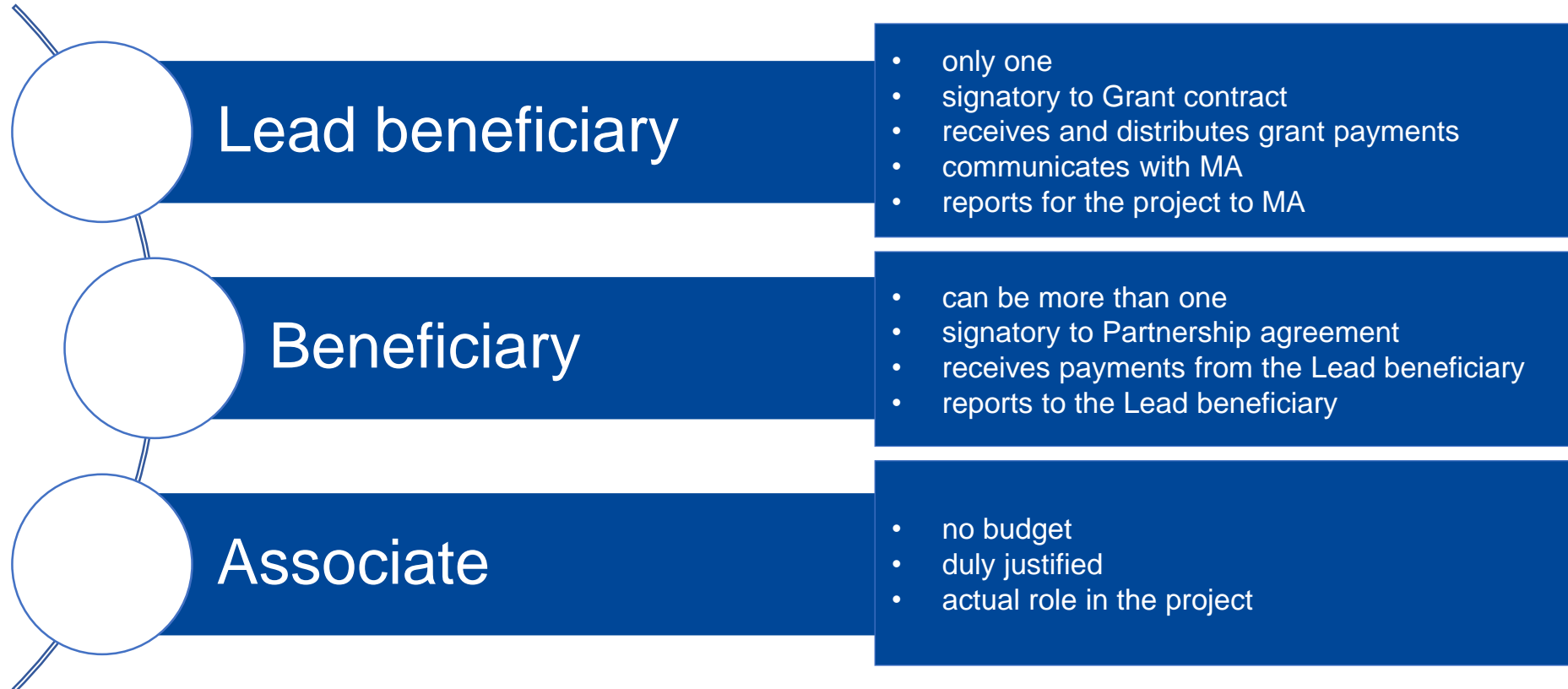


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Project implementation involvement



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TO6: Environmental protection, climate change mitigation and adaptation

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Expected overall result of the Priority



Increase capacity of the relevant stakeholders and the general public on issues related to sustainable use of natural resources



2.2. priority «Joint actions in environmental management»



Output indicators



Cross-border initiatives for promotion of sustainable use of natural resources
(target value in 2023 – 7)

Number of persons actively participating in environmental actions and awareness raising activities
(target value in 2023 – 200)



2.2. priority «Joint actions in environmental management»

NB! Each project is advised to select different types of cross-border initiatives for promotion of sustainable use of natural resources, e.g.



Awareness raising of sustainable lifestyle actions aiming at raising environmental awareness

Examples: information campaign/ public events/ publications about sustainable use of natural resources, waste management, energy efficiency or renewable energy resources

Actions involving environmental knowledge related issues for promotion of sustainable use of natural resources

Examples: establishment of new or increase of capacity of existing nature education centres and other organizations dealing with issues of environmental awareness, development of relevant educational programmes



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Joint natural resource management actions

Capacity building on management and protection of natural resources actions for improvement of environmental management

Examples: joint development plans of natural resources (e.g. lakes, rivers, forests, plants management plans), exchange of experience and best practice about issues related to environmental management, developing joint monitoring and early warning tools



2.2. priority «Joint actions in environmental management»

Result indicators	Baseline value (2014)	Target value of project (2023)
Capacity of relevant stakeholders and general public for sustainable use of natural resources	0	48%



Target value

- ▶ At least 48% of respondents participated at project events whose knowledge has increased and potentially resulted in durable impact action during the events of supported projects
- ▶ The level of knowledge will be measured using short questionnaire after each capacity building event of the project approved by the Programme
- ▶ The template of the questionnaire will be provided by the Programme



2.2. priority «Joint actions in environmental management»

NB! Each project must fully contribute to result and both output indicators!



In the application form it shall be clearly explained which are at least 7 cross-border initiatives for promotion of sustainable use of natural resources and who are at least 200 persons actively participating in environmental actions and awareness raising activities.



2.2. priority «Joint actions in environmental management»



Maximum budget of a project

650 000 EUR for project

Maximum Programme co-financing to the project

585 000 EUR for project



2.2. priority «Joint actions in environmental management»

NB! Additional requirements for projects



Cross-border aspect of the initiatives has to be minded



Maximum duration of project – **24 months**



Project activities should be aimed at wider Programme area, including Programme core area and adjoining area regions



For NGO description of experience in organization of similar actions must be provided in the application form

Project activities may include infrastructure activities to increase of sustainable use of natural resources, e.g. establishment of nature education centers





Thank You!