

JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE

under Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme

Written procedure No.8, initiated on 02.03.2017

1. Description: The Written Procedure in accordance with art. 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the JMC of the Interreg - IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme 2014 - 2020 for approval of Annual Technical Assistance Plan for 2017, Indicative Technical Assistance Budget for 2017 and Eligibility of Technical Assistance Expenditures for 2017 of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme 2014-2020 was initiated by the Managing Authority – Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works, Bulgaria on 02.03.2017.

The official letter No 99-00-2-212/02.03.2017 and the following attached documents were sent to the JMC members via e-mail and the JMC section of the Management Information System of the Programme for review:

- Draft Annual Technical Assistance Plan for 2017;
- Draft Indicative Technical Assistance Budget for 2017;
- Draft Eligibility of Technical Assistance Expenditures for 2017.

The JMC members were given 10 working days to send their approval or comments on the proposed documents.

Approvals of the Annual Technical Assistance Plan for 2017, Indicative Technical Assistance Budget for 2017 and Eligibility of Technical Assistance Expenditures for 2017 of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme 2014-2020 were received from the following institutions:

- Ministry of Tourism, Republic of Bulgaria;
- Yambol district administration, Republic of Bulgaria;
- Council of Ministers Administration, Republic of Bulgaria;

The names and institutions of JMC members together with summary of their comments are presented in Attachment 1.

2. Decisions:

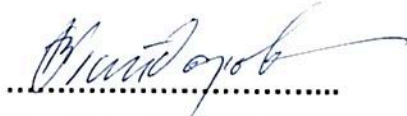
1. JMC approves the Annual Technical Assistance Plan for 2017 of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme;
2. JMC approves the Indicative Technical Assistance Budget for 2017 of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme;
3. JMC approves the Eligibility of Technical Assistance Expenditures for 2017 of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme;

The hereby decisions enter into force on the **20th of March 2017**, the date following the deadline for submission of comments / objections / additional proposals from the JMC members.

- 3. Attachments:**
1. Table of the comments received by JMC members;
 2. Letter No 99-00-2-212/02.03.2017 of the Deputy Minister of Regional Development and Public Works, Bulgaria;
 3. Annual Technical Assistance Plan for 2017;
 4. Indicative Technical Assistance Budget for 2017;
 5. Eligibility of Technical Assistance Expenditures for 2017.

Signatures:

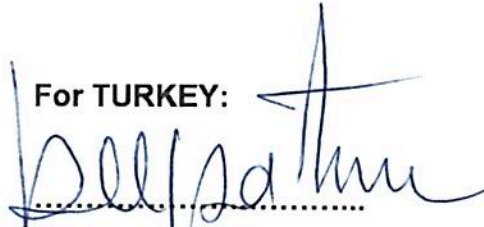
for BULGARIA:



Ms. Valentina VARBEVA

*Deputy Minister of
Regional Development and Public Works
Head of Managing Authority
Co-chairperson of JMC*

For TURKEY:



Ms. Beyza TURAN

*Director of Financial Cooperation
Directorate at the Ministry for EU
Affairs of Turkey and
Co-Chairperson of the JMC*

Attachment 1

Written Procedure

in accordance with art. 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the JMC of the Interreg - IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme 2014 - 2020 for approval of Annual Technical Assistance Plan for 2017, Indicative Technical Assistance Budget for 2017 and Eligibility of Technical Assistance Expenditures for 2017 of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme 2014-2020.

TABLE
of the Comments received from JMC Members

Member of the Joint Monitoring Committee / Institution	Comments/ Remarks:	Accept /Decline:	Justification:
Ms. Milka Nanova Directorate for Programmes and Projects, Ministry of Tourism, Republic of Bulgaria	Approves the documents.	N.A.	N.A.
Mr. Georgi Chalakov Governor Yambol district administration, Republic of Bulgaria	Approves the documents.	N.A.	N.A.
Ms. Dobrinka Krasteva Head of Monitoring and Analysis Dept. Central Coordination Unit Directorate Council of Ministers Administration, Republic of Bulgaria	Points out a technical mistake made in <i>Eligibility of TA Expenditure</i> . The text in brackets in the second paragraph under point B. <i>Eligibility in Time</i> incorrectly states that the expenditure should be paid until the end of February 2017 instead of until the end of February 2018 , when 60 days after the end of the reporting period expire.	Accept	The obvious technical mistake in the second paragraph under point B. Eligibility in Time of "Eligibility of Technical Assistance Expenditures for 2017 of the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme" was corrected.
Ms. Ovunc Gunes Ministry for European Union Affairs Republic of Turkey	Shares that there were no comments received by Turkish JMC members.	N.A.	N.A.

Remark: From other members of the Joint Monitoring Committee there was no response received.