

## **JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE**

**under Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme,  
CCI No 2014TC16I5CB005**

**Written procedure No.24, initiated on 04 February 2019**

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### **1. Description:**

The Written Procedure in accordance with Articles 7 (1) and 7 (2) of the Rules of Procedure of the JMC of the Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme for amendment of the Guidelines for Applicants under the Second Call for Proposals under the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme 2014-2020 in connection with reimbursement of staff costs to future beneficiaries was initiated by the Managing Authority – Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works, Bulgaria on 04 February 2019.

The necessity for the requested amendment stems from recent modifications in relevant European Union regulations, namely the new art. 68a of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 (introduced with Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018) and the prepared amendment of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 481/2014, which stipulates that expenditures for part-time project staff can no longer be reimbursed as a flat rate, but should rather be based on real costs.

The official letter No 99-00-2-13/04.02.2019 and the attachment - Modified Guidelines for Applicants under the Second Call for Proposals, were sent to the JMC members via e-mail and made available in the JMC section of the Management Information System.

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

Remarks on the requested amendment, received by the set deadline, were sent by Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Bulgaria and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Turkey and are reflected in Attachment 1: "Table of the comments received from JMC members".

**2. Decision:**

JMC approves the amendment of the Guidelines for Applicants under the Second Call for Proposals under the Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme 2014-2020 in connection with reimbursement of staff costs to future beneficiaries.

The hereby decision enters into force on the 19 February 2019, the date following the deadline for submission of comments/ objections/ additional proposals from the JMC members.

**3. Attachments:**

1. Table of the comments received from JMC members;
2. Letter No 99-00-2-13/04.02.2019 of the Deputy Minister of Regional Development and Public Works, Bulgaria;
3. Modified Guidelines for Applicants under the Second Call for Proposals.

**Signatures:**

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