

PRESS RELEASE

Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme's second Open Call for Normal Project Proposals, is launched

Application period: 22.05.2017-31.08.2017

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The Ministry of Regional Development, Public Administration and European Funds in Romania, acting as the Managing Authority of the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme and the National Authority - Prime Minister's Office in Hungary - are pleased to announce the launching in the framework of the Programme of the second Open Call, for normal project proposals.

How much funding is available?

The total amount of **funding available** for this Open Call for Proposals is **9,711,372 EUR (ERDF)**, increased with the relevant Romanian and Hungarian state co-financing.

What is the subject of the Call?

The Investment priorities (Ip) opened within this Call are the following:

6/b - Investing in the water sector to meet the requirements of the Union's environmental acquis and to address needs, identified by the Member States, for investment that goes beyond those requirements (within Priority Axis 1, Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources)

- **3,750,000 EUR (ERDF)** is made available through this Open Call

7/c - Developing and improving environmentally-friendly (including low noise) and low-carbon transport systems, including inland waterways and maritime transport, ports, multimodal links and airport infrastructure, in order to promote sustainable regional and local mobility (within Priority Axis 2, Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks)

- **2,550,000 EUR (ERDF)** is made available through this Open Call

11/b - Promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens and institutions (within Priority Axis 6, Promoting cross-border cooperation between institutions and citizens)

- **3,411,372 EUR (ERDF)** is made available through this Open Call

Who can participate?

The eligibility criteria for applicants, actions and expenditures are set up in the Guide for Applicants. Potential beneficiaries of the projects funded by the programme can be public organisations (national, regional or local authorities), organisations that fall under the public law, non-profit organisations (e.g. associations), European Groupings for Territorial Cooperation (EGTCs) and others. They can apply for financing, only in cross border partnerships.

The eligible programme territories are Arad, Bihor, Satu Mare and Timiș counties in Romania and Békés, Csongrád, Hajdú-Bihar and Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg in Hungary.

What is the co-financing rate?

Co-financing rates are **up to 98%** of the total eligible costs **for Romanian partners** and up **to 95%** in some cases **even 100%, for Hungarian applicants**, totalling both the ERDF and state co-financing.

How to apply?

Applications must be submitted **online, via eMS system**, starting with **May 22, 2017, 8.00 until August 31, 2017, 16:00 (EET)**.

eMS System can be accessed via the following link: <http://ems-rohu.mdrap.ro>.

For detailed description of the CfP, including eligibility and submission rules, as well as for further information on the selection process, please consult the **Guide for Applicants [here](#)**.

During the application phase, the Programme will assist the applicants through its **Joint Secretariat (JS)**. Applicants can raise questions regarding the rules of this Call, towards the JS, up to 21 working days before the deadline of the Call, to the following e-mail address: joint.secretariat@breacoradea.ro. Final answers will be released (published) not later than 11 working days before the submission deadline.

Info days will be organized both in Romania and Hungary and the venue of the events will be published on the Programme's website (<http://interreg-rohu.eu/en/home-en/>) in due time.

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