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Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme:

Public consultation of the Guide for Applicants for the third Open Call for normal project proposals - opened until the 6th of June 2017

On **May 05 2017** the Ministry of Regional Development Public Administration and European Funds, acting as Managing Authority for the Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme, launches for public consultation, the **Guide for Applicants for the third Open Call for normal project proposals**, within Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme.

In this context, stakeholders are invited to get involved in the consultation process and express their views and suggestions regarding the Guide, by sending them until the **6th of June 2017**, to the following e-mail addresses: rohu@mdrap.ro and joint.secretariat@breacoradea.ro.

The documents (the Guide and Annexes) are available on the [MRDPAEF's website](#), under the section dedicated to Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme and on the Programme's website, [here](#).

Within this third Open Call for proposals, projects under the following 3 Priority Axes may be financed: development of environmental-friendly cross- border transportation system, supporting employment-friendly growth through the development of endogenous potential and last but not least, investment in health and social infrastructure which contributes to national, regional and local development.

The funding available for this third Open Call for proposals is allocated to the launched Investment priorities (Ip) as follows::

- **7/c** - developing and improving **environmentally friendly** and low-carbon **transport systems** – **5,776,763.53 EUR**, of which **4,910,249.00** represents financing from the **ERDF**;
- **8/b** - supporting **employment-friendly growth** through the development of endogenous potential – **45,234,396.47 EUR**, of which **38,449,237.00** represents financing from the **ERDF**;
- **9/a** - **investment in health** and social **infrastructure** which contributes to national, regional and local development – **8,863,909.41 EUR**, of which **7,534,323.00** represents financing from the **ERDF**.

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The eligible area of the Programme comprises, Arad, Bihor, Satu Mare and Timiș counties (in Romania) and, Békés, Csongrád, Hajdú-Bihar and Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg (in Hungary).

The total budget of the Programme is of **231,861,763.00 EUR**, of which **189,138,672.00 EUR** represents financing from the European Regional Development Fund.

Romania is acting as Managing Authority (through the Ministry of Regional Development, Public Administration and European Funds), the National Authority being established within the Prime Minister's Office in Hungary, while the Joint Secretariat is functioning within BRECO, in Oradea. The designated Audit Authority of the Programme is the Romanian Court of Accounts. The Managing Authority performs the certification functions.

The Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme aims at financing joint Romanian - Hungarian projects, which address needs that lie on both sides of the border, and that require a common approach and innovative solutions, aiming at facilitating the integrated, sustainable development of the eligible area. The Programme comes as a continuation of cross-border cooperation programmes implemented previously in the region and disposes of a total budget of approx. 232 million EUR, out of which 189 million EUR represent non-refundable support from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF). The eligible programme area comprises the counties of Bihor, Satu Mare, Arad and Timiș, on the Romanian side of the border and the counties of Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg, Hajdú-Bihar, Békés and Csongrád on the Hungarian side.

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