

INSTRUCTION No.1/01.08.2025

Project partners of the Interreg VI-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme regarding the necessary measures to reduce the risk of decommitment of ERDF Funds allocated to the Programme

Having in mind the:

Commission Decision No. 8928/30.11.2022 approving the Interreg VI-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme,

Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy,

Regulation (EU) 2021/1058 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 on the European Regional Development Fund and on the Cohesion Fund,

Regulation (EU) 2021/1059 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 on specific provisions for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) supported by the European Regional Development Fund and external financing instruments,

Considering the need for increased flexibility in supporting project partners and ensuring more efficient implementation of the Programme,

Acknowledging the 2025 decommitment target and the risk of financial corrections in the event of deviations,

Based on the provisions of the subsidy contracts and partnership agreements in force,

In addition to the mandatory reporting deadlines and the exceptional cases provided for under Article 6(2) of the financing contract,

and aiming to optimize the verification process at all levels,

The Head of the Managing Authority for the Interreg VI-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme issues the following:

**INSTRUCTION
TO PROJECT PARTNERS**

Article 1: Partner report

Each project partner shall submit a Partner Report to the National Control (NC) as soon as the total value of expenditures incurred and paid at the partner level reaches or exceeds EUR 10,000, irrespective of the regular reporting schedule or deadlines set in the financing contract. Also, the maximum number of partner reports under this flexibility rule will be limited to 3, for the period September - 1st of December 2025.

If the total value of expenditures remains below EUR 10,000 during a reporting period, the partner shall submit the Partner Report in accordance with the regular reporting deadlines established in the financing contract.

This flexibility rule is in addition to the standard partner reporting obligation every four months, as specified in the financing contract.

Article 2 - Project Reports

Whenever the total amount of expenditures verified by the NC reaches at least EUR 10,000 at project level, the Lead Partner shall submit a Project Report to the Joint Secretariat (JS) via Jems, immediately after the corresponding NC certificate(s) is/are issued—irrespective of the regular reporting schedule or deadlines set in the financing contract.

It is recommended to include in a project report as many partner reports certified available in the system.

This flexibility rule is in addition to the standard reporting obligation every four months, as specified in the financing contract.

Article 3 - Entry into force

This instruction shall enter into force on the date of its publication on the programme website www.interregviarobg.eu.

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