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## **CORRIGENDUM**

to the

### **Guidelines for Applicants of the 2nd Call for Proposals**

Corrigendum №2

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**A.** The deadline for submission of proposals modifies from the 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2017 to the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2017. The rationale is the availability and full functionality of the IMIS Application Module (going live on the **16<sup>th</sup> of October 2017** via <https://imis2014-2020.eu/imis-web/public#!foAppEniLogin>) on the potential applicants' side and the need for applicants to upload their applications within a one month period. As such the following sections of the Guidelines for Applicants will be modified:

Section of the Guidelines for Applicants	Initial	Modified
1. <b>Page 1 of the Guidelines for Applicants:</b>	Deadline for submission of proposals:  The 27 <sup>th</sup> of October, 2017	Deadline for submission of proposals:  <b>The 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017</b>
2. <b>2.3.2 Deadline for submission of Applications:</b>	The deadline for the online submission of applications is the 27 <sup>th</sup> of October 2017 12:00 CET (IMIS 2014-2020 Application Module blocks the submission after the deadline).	The deadline for the online submission of applications is <b>the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017 12:00 CET</b> (IMIS 2014-2020 Application Module blocks the submission after the deadline).
3. <b>2.5.2 Indicative time table</b>	Deadline for request for any clarifications from the Joint Technical Secretariat: 17 October 2017, 16:00 CET  Last date on which clarifications are issued by the Joint Technical Secretariat 22 October September 2017  Deadline for submission of Application 27 October 2017, CET 12:00	Deadline for request for any clarifications from the Joint Technical Secretariat: <b>20 November 2017, 16:00 CET</b>  Last date on which clarifications are issued by the Joint Technical Secretariat <b>25 November 2017</b>  Deadline for submission of Application: <b>the 30 November 2017 , CET 12:00</b>

**B.** In order to support the applicants' efforts to finance the elaboration of documentation related to infrastructure components and to adapt to different national requirements for the elaboration of technical documentation for infrastructure components projects, a grant may be awarded retroactively to cover such costs. However, these costs can be considered eligible for financing if they have been incurred between the launching of the second call for proposals (the 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2017) and prior to the date of the signing of the grant contract. The signing of the grant contract is dependent upon the availability of the documentation for the infrastructure components as well on the availability of the building permit (if applicable).

As such the following sections of the Guidelines for Applicants will be modified:

Section of the Guidelines for Applicants	Initial	Modified
A. <b>2.1.4 Eligibility of costs</b>	<b><u>2.1.4 Eligibility of costs:</u></b>	<p>The following provision will be added in section <b><u>2.1.4 Eligibility of costs (a):</u></b></p> <p>(v) retroactive costs can be considered eligible as long as they relate to the preparation of documentation for an infrastructure component of the project and have been incurred between the time of the launching of the call for proposals and the date of the signature of the grant contract.</p>
B. <b>(4) Eligible costs</b>	<b><u>(4) Eligible direct costs</u></b>	<p>The following provision will be added in section <b>(4) Eligible direct costs:</b></p> <p>A grant may be awarded retroactively (costs may be incurred before start of implementation period) for costs related to studies and documentation for <b>projects including an infrastructure component</b>. All studies and documentation for projects have to be in appropriate quality and up to date.</p> <p>The date of launching of the Call for Proposals is the start date of the retroactive eligibility and the grant contract signature is the end date (meaning that those expenditures shall be incurred until the grant</p>

contract signature). Only Lead Beneficiaries with whom a grant contract is signed could claim the reimbursement of retroactive costs. The costs related to studies and documentation for projects may include costs for external expertise and services. Lead Applicant(s) must clearly indicate the costs related to studies and documentation prior to the grant contract signature in the project budget. Costs shall be indicated at budget line *6.1 Studies, technical documentations, permissions*. Activities eligible for retroactive award are as follows:

- preparation of the Environmental Impact Assessment,
- preparation of Full Feasibility Study,
- elaboration of Technical documentation for infrastructure component of the project.

No grant may be awarded retroactively for projects already completed. Only Lead Beneficiaries and Beneficiaries of the approved projects with an infrastructure component (upon submission of the first report) will be able to claim the reimbursement of the costs retroactively.

**2.2. PROJECT BUDGET AND DESCRIPTION OF THE BUDGET HEADINGS**

*2.2.6. Investment/ Works*

The following provision shall be added to section **2.2.6. Investment/ Works:**

Retroactive award for costs related to studies and documentation for projects including an infrastructure component – if any – shall be included under this budget line and marked appropriately in the “description” section.

All other information related to this Call for proposals remain the same.