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co-financing Systems
in the Partner States of the
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Programme**

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Introduction

This document summarises the most important information regarding the Control Systems and National co-financing Systems in the Partner States of the Danube Transnational Programme.

Applicants and project partners can gain basic understanding of Control system in relevant Partner State, including the information on source of financing of the control costs and contact details of relevant Control Body. Furthermore, applicants and project partners can learn about national co-financing system in the relevant partner state, including the information related to state contribution (if the country provides it or not) and contact details of the National Contact Point.

For more detailed information on Control Systems, National co-financing Systems and rules applied at national level, the relevant contact person provided in the document shall be contacted.

1. Control procedure in the Danube Transnational Programme

- 1) Each Project Partner as well as the Lead Partner (in this case the Lead Partner is also considered as Project Partner) has to submit a Partner Report to declare its expenditure relevant for a reporting period for validation to the responsible Controller through the electronic data exchange system of the Programme. **Each project partner as well as the Lead Partner is responsible separately for having its expenditure validated by the responsible Controller in its Partner State.** The Lead Partner is not requested to appoint a controller for checking the expenditure declared by the project partners, thus the Controller of the Lead Partner does not issue a Control Certificate covering the entire validated expenditure of the whole partnership.
- 2) **The Controller verifies the expenditure** declared by the Project Partner/Lead Partner in the system, on the basis of the invoices or accounting documents of equivalent probative value, verifies the delivery of the products and services co-financed, the soundness of the expenditure declared, and the compliance of such expenditure with EU rules and relevant national rules.
- 3) After verification, **the Controller issues the Control Certificate** generated by the system.
- 4) After the verification is finalised by the Controller in the system, **the Project Partner has to submit the Partner Report and the Control Certificate to the Lead Partner** through the system.
- 5) **The Lead Partner based on the Partner Reports submitted prepares the Progress Report in the system.** The Lead Partner also prepares the **Application for Reimbursement**, the expenditure verified by the Controllers (i.e. financial data of the Control Certificate) is automatically aggregated to project level providing the data of the Application for Reimbursement.
- 6) The Lead Partner has to submit the **Progress Report and the Application for Reimbursement** to the MA/JS **within a period of 3 months from the end of each reporting period** through the system.

2. Control Systems in the Partner States

According to Article 23 (4) of the Regulation EC No 1299/2013 (ETC Regulation) each Partner State shall set up a control system to validate the expenditure at national level. For this purpose each Partner State shall formally designate the Controller responsible for verifying the legality and regularity of the expenditure declared by each project partner participating in the project (the “Controller”).

The control system is **centralised in 10 Partner States** of the Danube Transnational Programme, including **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia and Ukraine**, and a **decentralised control system** is set up in 4 Partner States including **Austria, Bulgaria, Germany and Moldova**.

The control costs are financed by national public sources in case of centralised control systems , therefore the verification of expenditure is ensured free for the project partners coming from these Partner States. In case of the decentralised systems , the control costs are planned to be paid by the project partners from their project budget. In case of centralised system in Croatia, control costs were financed from the project partner’s budget until 8th of June 2020. After that date, work of Croatian Controllers is financed from the Croatian State Budget.

3. Overview of national co-financing systems

Under the Danube Transnational Programme, projects are co-financed by ERDF , IPA and ENI Funds. **The co-financing rate per partner is 85%** for each ERDF , IPA and ENI partners. The remaining budget (15%) can be covered by the following sources:

- **State contribution** (where applicable) and/or
- Own sources (can be public or private) of the project participant and/or
- Other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources)

This document contains **summary information on the national co-financing systems** for the following reason:

State contribution has to be indicated in the Application Form only in case the Partner State provides national public contribution at state level for the projects selected by the Monitoring Committee, and therefore the amount is covered in total or partially by the state.

Please note, that this document is prepared only for information purposes and does not constitutes part of the relevant call for proposals.

For more detailed information on the national co-financing systems and rules to be applied at national level, the contact persons provided in the document or the National Contact Points (NCPs) should be contacted before submission of the Application Form.

Partner State: AUSTRIA

Which model of Control System is set up by AUSTRIA?	DECENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control coordination body):	
Name of the institution:	Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Regions and Tourism Directorate-General V; Directorate V/5: Coordination, Regional Policy and Spatial Planning
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Austria has chosen to implement a decentralised control system. The “15a-Agreement” (the Agreement between federal and regional level pursuant to Art. 15a of the Federal Constitutional Act on the Management and Control System in Austria for the Structural Funds period 2014-2020) constitutes the legal basis for the organisation of the control system in Austria. In Art. 7(2), the allocation of project partners to first level controllers is regulated according to the beneficiaries’ legal status, their legal and/or management control body or according to national public co-financing.</p> <p>According to the Austrian management and control system, the project partner has to approach the responsible public control body with the Form B (“Declaration of agreement of the Austrian beneficiary regarding the execution of First Level Control”) in which the beneficiary/ project partner also confirms to follow the respective European Regulations, the programme and national rules during the project implementation and reporting process as well as other national provisions.</p> <p>The formally signed form B has to be sent by the beneficiary/ project partner to the responsible public control body defined by Art. 7(2) of the 15a Agreement as well as the first level control- coordination body for information purposes. After receipt of the signed Form B, the public control body decides either to take over the First Level Control by itself or to contract an external private controller out of a pool of four private controllers who have been selected at the beginning of the programming period by tender (“pool of controllers”).</p>

A list of nominated public and external private first level controllers is established and up-dated at national level indicating names and contacts of controllers and thereby enabling programme authorities as well as project partners to see whom to refer to.

Further information and the list of nominated first level controllers of the programme period 2014-2020 can be found under the following link:

<https://www.oerok.gv.at/kooperationen/info-service-oesterreich-ncp/finanzkontrollsystem-in-oesterreich-1-1>

CONTROL COSTS

Control costs have to be borne by the Lead Beneficiary/Project partner and can be reported as eligible cost within the project under Budget line 4 “External expertise and service costs” providing that these costs were budgeted and approved in the subsidy contract by the Managing Authority.

Control costs amount to 6.5% to 7% of total reported costs plus 20% VAT. Additionally, a one-time lump sum of € 1.900 to €2.000 plus 20% VAT per beneficiary will be invoiced.

Based on a standardized contract between beneficiary and controller, each beneficiary receives the invoices for its `control costs and has to pay the controller accordingly.

Is there a national co-financing system for state contribution established in Austria?

NO

National Contact Point:

Name of the institution:	ÖROK - Austrian Conference on Spatial Planning
Address:	Fleischmarkt 1, 1010 Vienna
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS

AUSTRIA DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION AUTOMATICALLY.

There is no automatic public co-financing system provided by the Austrian state. Therefore, Austrian Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. national/regional/local/other sources).

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM

Not Applicable

Partner State: BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Which model of Control System is set up by BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Finance and Treasury of BiH
Address:	Trg BiH 1, 71 000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Responsible person:	Vera Letica, Assistant minister
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Bosnia and Herzegovina set up a centralised control system. Division for financing of EU Programmes and Projects - Central Financing and Contracting Unit (CFCU) within the Ministry of Finance and Treasury is the designated Control Body.</p>
CONTROL COSTS
<p>Control activities provided by CFCU are free of charge for the Bosnia and Herzegovina's project partners.</p>

<p>Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Bosnia and Herzegovina?</p>	<p>NO</p>
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<p>National Contact Point:</p>	
<p>Name of the institution:</p>	<p>Directorate for European Integration</p>
<p>Address:</p>	<p>Trg BiH 1/18, 71 000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina</p>
<p>Contact person (to be contacted by the project partners):</p>	<p>Mersiha Delić</p>
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<p>Email:</p>	<p>mersiha.delic@dei.gov.ba</p>

<p>DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS</p>
<p>BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION.</p> <p>Each Project Partner has to ensure 15% co-financing from public or private (its own) sources.</p>

<p>SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM</p>
<p>Not Applicable</p>

Partner State: BULGARIA

Which model of Control System is set up by BULGARIA?	DECENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control coordination body):	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works
Address:	17-19 Kiril and Metodii Str., Bulgaria, Sofia - 1202
Responsible person:	Desislava Georgieva, Director of "Territorial Cooperation Management" Directorate
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>The Republic of Bulgaria implements a decentralized control system.</p> <p>The verification of expenditures for of the Bulgarian partners in DTP projects falls under the responsibility of "Territorial Cooperation Management" Directorate (TCM Directorate). The general features of the Bulgarian control system are outlined in "Manual of Territorial Cooperation Management Directorate for management of the INTERREG Programmes" hereinafter referred as the "Manual".</p> <p>In accordance with the adopted Council of Ministers' Decree № 247/14 August 2014 the Minister of Regional Development and Public Works is responsible for selection of external controllers who will perform verification of expenditures (first level control) of Bulgarian project partners.</p> <p>Based on a submitted request from Bulgarian Partner, the controller will be designated from a short list of external independent controllers established beforehand and authorised by the TCM Directorate. The procedure for nomination and designation of controller from the list is outlined in Chapter IV of the Manual and in Part III of the Internal rules.</p>

CONTROL COSTS

The control costs will be borne by the Lead Beneficiary/Project partner and thus reported as eligible cost within the project under Budget line 4 “External expertise and service costs”.

The FLC expenditures shall not exceed 102.27 EUR per month or 613.59 EUR for a 6 month reporting period. The contract between the project partner and the nominated Controller determines the exact remuneration payable by the partner to the controller.

Is there a national co-financing system for state contribution established in Bulgaria?

YES

Responsible national institution for state contribution:

Name of the institution:	Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works
Address:	17-19 Kiril and Metodii Str., Bulgaria, Sofia - 1202,
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS

After signing of the Partnership Agreement by the project partners and the Subsidy contract for the project between the Lead Partner and the Managing Authority /Joint Secretariat of the Danube Transnational Programme each Bulgarian project partner, who has indicated state contribution in the Application form can send a request to “Territorial Cooperation Management” Directorate for concluding a contract for national co-financing.

Bulgarian Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works, acting as National Authority on the

implementation of the Danube Transnational Programme, can conclude a contract with each Bulgarian Beneficiary/Partner for providing national co-financing from the state budget up to 15 % of the Bulgarian partner budget in the project upon request and submission of the necessary documents in accordance with the national rules.

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM		
1.	The national co-financing will be provided automatically for each Project Partner (PP) from the Partner State participating in the projects selected by the Monitoring Committee:	NO
2	The national co-financing will be provided only through national call for proposals for the PPs selected at national level participating in the projects selected by the Monitoring Committee:	NO
3	If NO is selected in lines 1. and 2. the national co-financing will be provided to the PPs as follows:	Bulgarian Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works, acting as National Authority on the implementation of the Danube Transnational Programme, can conclude a contract with each Bulgarian Beneficiary/Partner for providing national co-financing from the state budget up to 15 % of the Bulgarian partner budget in the project upon request and submission of the necessary documents in accordance with the national rules.
4	Grant contract will be signed between the national institution providing the state contribution and the PP:	YES

5	If NO is in line 4. selected, the following legal basis will be used for the payment of the state contribution:	Not Applicable
6	Maximum rate of the state contribution compared to the PP budget (%):	With Decision of the Ministers Council №658 from 18 September 2014 the maximum rate of the state contribution compared to the PP budget is 15% .
7	Is the state contribution rate the same for each PP? If NOT, it is different in following cases:	Yes , the state contribution rate is the same for each PP as long as it is stated in the Application form. There might be an exception, if the PP decides to provide own contribution.
8	Maximum amount of state contribution which can be provided at partner level:	Not Applicable
9	Pre-financing will be paid to the PPs after the signature of the grant contract? If YES, in which percentage/amount compared to the amount of the state contribution to be provided?	YES 80% advance payment of the 15% national co-financing after signing a contract for national co-financing with the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works upon request for payment by the Bulgarian Lead/Project partner to the TCM Directorate.
10	At which phase of the project implementation the national institution will reimburse the state contribution to the PPs?	
	Reimbursement of state contribution to PP after validation of expenditure, i.e. the state contribution can be paid to the PP before the submission of the Application for Reimbursement by the LP to the MA/JS:	NO

	Reimbursement of state contribution to PP only after the Application for Reimbursement is approved by the MA/JS:	NO
11	If <u>only NO is selected</u> in line10., the system for the payment of the state contribution is as follows:	<p>The Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works provides 80% advance payment of the 15% national co-financing after signing a contract for national co-financing between the Bulgarian project partner and the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works and upon a request for payment to the TCM Directorate by the partner.</p> <p>Final balance of the national co-financing is paid following authorisation of the final reimbursement of ERDF to the project partner concerned by the MA/JS.</p> <p>If the Bulgarian project partner does not submit a request for advance payment, the national co-financing will be calculated on the basis of the partner certified costs as final balance payment.</p>

Partner State: CROATIA

Which model of Control System is set up by CROATIA?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Regional Development and European Funds
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Croatia has set up a centralised control system.</p> <p>In centralised control systems, a central body is appointed to carry out the control activities in accordance with article 23 (4) of the ETC Regulation No 1299/2013 and with reference to article 125 (4),(5) and (6) of the CPR Regulation No 1303/2013.</p> <p>In the financial perspective 2014-2020, the control tasks were carried out by the Croatian Control Body - Agency for Regional Development of the Republic of Croatia until 31 December 2018.</p> <p>Based on Government Conclusion from 2 August 2018, the merger of the Agency for Regional Development of the Republic of Croatia with the Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds has entered into force via the Law on Amendments to the Law on Organization and Scope of Ministries and Other Central Bodies of Public Administration on 1 January 2019.</p> <p>The modification of Government Regulation on the bodies within the management and control systems for implementation of programmes supporting the goal “European Territorial Cooperation” in the financing period 2014 – 2020 (Official Gazette 120/2014) regulating the implementation of European Territorial Cooperation programmes has been approved by the Government of the Republic of Croatia (Official Gazette 2/2019).</p>

Following the abovementioned modifications, the previous roles and responsibilities of the Agency for Regional Development of the Republic of Croatia have been transposed to the Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds (MRDEUF).

The control tasks are carried by the First level controllers, permanently employed staff contracted by the MRDEUF. The first level controllers are responsible for verifying the legality and regularity of the expenditure declared by each lead partner and/or project partner participating in the project located on its territory. Following the completion of the control, Control Body issues a signed Control Certificate on the eligible and validated expenditures to the lead beneficiary/project partner.

CONTROL COSTS

Control costs were borne by the Lead partner/Project partner and thus reported as eligible cost within the project under Budget line 4 "External expertise and service costs". However, provision of national control to Croatian beneficiaries **is free of charge as of 8 June 2020**. Work of Croatian FLC is financed from the State Budget.

Is there a national co-financing system for state contribution established in Croatia?

NO

National Contact Point:

Name of the institution:	Ministry of Regional Development and European Funds
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS

CROATIA DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION

Croatian Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM

Not Applicable

Partner State: CZECH REPUBLIC

Which model of Control System is set up by CZECH REPUBLIC?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
Name of the institution:	Centre for Regional Development of the Czech Republic (hereafter referred to as "CENTRE CR")
Address:	U Nákladového nádraží 3144/4, 13000 Prague, Czech Republic
Responsible person:	Mr Jiří Jansa, Head of the Unit
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Email:	jansa@crr.cz
Contact person (to be contacted by the project partners):	Ms. Markéta Weingärtnerová
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>First level control system in the Czech Republic is centralised. The FLC body is CENTRE CR which is based in Prague. The FLC system is free of charge for the beneficiary. For the control of transnational cooperation programmes 3 regional branches are available – Brno, Praha and Ostrava, where FLC control of all CZ PP participating in Interreg DANUBE programme are performed.</p>
CONTROL COSTS
<p>FLC system is financed by the State - The FLC system in the Czech Republic is free of charge for the project partners and thus no finances will be charged from the project partners to cover FLC costs.</p>

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Czech Republic?	NO
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National Contact Point:	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Regional Development
Address:	Staroměstské náměstí 6, 110 15, Praha 1, Czech Republic
Contact person (to be contacted by the project partners):	Stella Horváthová
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
<p>CZECH REPUBLIC DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION</p> <p>Czech Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).</p>

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM
Not Applicable

Partner State: GERMANY

Which model of Control System is set up by GERMANY?	DECENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control coordination body):	
Name of the institution:	Oberfinanzdirektion Karlsruhe Stabsstelle EU-Finanzkontrolle (EFK), Prüfbehörde/Unabhängige Prüfstelle für den Strukturförderbereich (EU-Financial Control (EFK) unit, Audit Authority/Independent public audit unit for Structural Funds)
Address:	Moltkestraße 50, D-76133 Karlsruhe
Responsible person:	Mr. Lothar Fleischer (Head of EFK unit)
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Germany set up a decentralised control system.</p> <p>The project partner is free to select its controller, but the controller must be authorized at central level.</p> <p>Thereby the project partner has two options. The controller can be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> selected internally, within the beneficiary's organisation (as long as he/she is independent from the unit in charge of project finances and activities) external

Procedures to be followed by beneficiaries for identifying their controllers:

- Internally:
There has to be an organisational chart of the beneficiary showing that the controller is independent (organisationally and functionally) from the unit in charge of the project finances and activities. Further the controller has to fulfil certain qualifications.

The controller confirms this in written form in the Controller Confirmation Form for Germany (CCF) sent to the Coordination Body Germany (CB).

- External:
The beneficiaries have to obey the rules for public procurement for the selection of their national controller. Further the controller has to fulfil certain qualifications (2.3.2.4) and has to be independent from the beneficiary. The controller confirms this in written form in the CCF (see annex 2.3.1.1) sent to the CB.

CONTROL COSTS

As Germany has a decentralised control system, **the control costs will be borne by the partner** and thus reported as eligible costs within the project. The basis for the payment depends on the sector the controller corresponds to.

The payment of an external controller is generally based on a service contract. The control costs for an internal controller are basically grounded on the amount of hours worked.

Is there a national co-financing system for state contribution established in Germany?

NO

National Contact Point:

Name of the institution:	Ministry for Economic Affairs, Labour and Housing Baden-Württemberg
Address:	Schlossplatz 4, 70173 Stuttgart
Contact person (to be contacted by the project partners):	Amir Kalajdzini
Phone:	+49 (0)711 - 123 2712
Email:	amir.kalajdzini@wm.bwl.de

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS

GERMANY DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION.

German Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM

Not Applicable

Partner State: HUNGARY

Which model of Control System is set up by HUNGARY?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
Name of the institution:	Széchenyi Programme Office Consulting and Service Nonprofit Limited Liability Company (Széchenyi Programme Office Nonprofit Llc)
Address:	H-1053. Budapest, Szép utca 2. 4 th floor, Hungary
Responsible person:	Ms Márta Gordos
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Hungary has a centralised control system. Control activities related to the Danube Transnational Programme are carried out by the Széchenyi Programme Office Nonprofit Llc., which is a national public body owned by the Prime Minister's Office in accordance with provisions laid down in Government Decree Nr. 396/2015. (XII. 12.).</p>
CONTROL COSTS
<p>National control activities fulfilled by Széchenyi Programme Office Nonprofit Llc. will be financed by central governmental sources and they are free of charge for Hungarian beneficiaries.</p>

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Hungary?	YES
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Responsible national institution for state contribution:	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Finance, Department of Territorial Development Planning
Address:	1051 Budapest, József nádor tér 2-4, Hungary
Contact person (to be contacted by the project partners – information to the website):	Ms Andrea Iván
Phone:	+36 1 896 1697
Email:	andrea.ivan@pm.gov.hu

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
<p>National co-financing will be provided to Hungarian beneficiaries by the Ministry of Finance. Beneficiaries will have to sign a national co-financing contract, which will be prepared on behalf of the Ministry of Finance by the Széchenyi Programme Office Nonprofit Llc. The transfer of the national co-financing (in form of 100% advance payment) will also be executed by Széchenyi Programme Office Nonprofit Llc.</p>

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM		
1.	The national co-financing will be provided automatically for each Project Partner (PP) from the Partner State participating in the projects selected by the Monitoring Committee:	YES
2	The national co-financing will be provided only through national call for proposals	NO

	for the PPs selected at national level participating in the projects selected by the Monitoring Committee:	
3	If NO is selected in lines 1. and 2. the national co-financing will be provided to the PPs as follows:	Not Applicable
4	Grant contract will be signed between the national institution providing the state contribution and the PP:	YES
5	If NO is in line 4. selected, the following legal basis will be used for the payment of the state contribution:	Not Applicable
6	Maximum rate of the state contribution compared to the PP budget (%):	15% in case of organisations financed directly from the central budget , while 10% in case of other beneficiaries .
7	Is the state contribution rate the same for each PP? If NOT, it is different in following cases:	No The state contribution rate is 15% in case of organisations financed directly from the central budget, while 10% in case of other beneficiaries.
8	Maximum amount of state contribution which can be provided at partner level:	Not Applicable
9	Pre-financing will be paid to the PPs after the signature of the grant contract? If YES, in which percentage/amount compared to the amount of the state	YES 100% of the state contribution will be paid to the Hungarian beneficiaries after the signature of the

	contribution to be provided?	grant contract (and the state contribution contract).
10	At which phase of the project implementation the national institution will reimburse the state contribution to the PPs?	
	Reimbursement of state contribution to PP after validation of expenditure, i.e. the state contribution can be paid to the PP before the submission of the Application for Reimbursement by the LP to the MA/JS:	NO
	Reimbursement of state contribution to PP only after the Application for Reimbursement is approved by the MA/JS:	NO
11	If <u>only NO is selected</u> in line10., the system for the payment of the state contribution is as follows:	100% of the state contribution will be paid to the Hungarian beneficiaries after the signature of the grant contract (and the state contribution contract).

Partner State: MOLDOVA

Which model of Control System is set up by MOLDOVA?	DECENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control coordination body):	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>The Republic of Moldova has chosen to implement the decentralised control system.</p> <p>According to the Government Decision no. 576 of 19.07.2017 on approving the Regulation on the implementation of Cross-Border and Transnational Cooperation EU-funded Programmes, the Ministry of Finance has the role of National Control and Contact Point. Currently the Department on Financial Policies within the Ministry of Finance performs the tasks as CCP at the national level.</p> <p>Moreover, in order to perform its tasks as NCCP, the Ministry of Finance has negotiated and signed a collaboration agreement with the Public Institution „Council for Public Oversight of Audits”. Signing of this agreement was possible based on the modification to GD no. 576/2017 through GD no. 710 from 27.12.2019 (in force as of 31.12.2019).</p> <p>In this respect, the main functions of the Control Contact Point from Republic of Moldova are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Tasks related to programming stage: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Represents the Republic of Moldova within the Joint Programming Committee b) Contributes to the elaboration of the management and control system for Programs regarding the aspects related to its functional competence c) Selects annually, until March 31, the auditors according to the Public Register of Auditors, draws up and presents their list to the National Managing Authority for participation in

specialized training offered by the Programs

- d) Collaborates with the Managing Authority for establishing the criteria used for the selection of auditors and for the preparation of the terms of reference
- e) With the support of the Joint Technical Secretariat / Managing Authority, participates in the organization of trainings of the selected auditors regarding the specific characteristics of the Programs
- f) Publishes on the official website of the Ministry of Finance, based on the information presented by the National Authority, the list of auditors selected and trained to perform expenditure verification missions within projects to be selected by beneficiaries
- g) Provides support to the Managing Authority in development of the guide regarding the verification of the expenses by the selected and trained auditors;
- 2) Tasks related to stage of implementation and monitoring of projects:**
- h) Represents the Republic of Moldova within the joint monitoring committees of the Programmes
- i) In collaboration with the Managing Authority and the Office for the Coordination of Cross-border and Transnational Cooperation Programs, informs the beneficiaries about the list of selected and trained auditors and the rules for the provision of their services
- j) Supports the Managing Authority in the application of the guideline on the expenditure verification by selected and trained auditors
- k) Presents consultative information to the auditors, the institutions implementing projects and the Managing Authority in the field of public procurement, accounting and auditing in the corporate sector, taxation and other fields, according to the functional competencies
- l) Assists, according to the competence, the Managing Authority, at its request, during the verification visits of the projects carried out on a sample basis
- m) Examines, at the request of the Managing Authority, reports on the conduct by auditors of expenditure verification missions carried out in EU-funded projects under the Programs;
- n) At the request of the Managing Authority or the Audit Authority, performs the control of the services provided by the auditors regarding the expenditure verification missions performed in accordance with the international standards for related services
- o) Updates, as necessary, the list of auditors selected and trained to carry out expenditure verification missions in EU-funded projects under the Programmes

CONTROL COSTS

The control costs **will be borne by the partner** and thus reported as eligible cost within the project.

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Moldova?	NO
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National Contact Point:	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
<p>MOLDOVA DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION.</p> <p>Moldovan Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).</p>

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM
Not Applicable

Partner State: MONTENEGRO

Which model of Control System is set up by MONTENEGRO?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Ministry of Finance and Social Welfare of Montenegro – Directorate for Finance and Contracting of the EU Assistance Funds	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Montenegro has set up a centralised control system.</p> <p>Control activities are carried out by the Directorate for Finance and Contracting of the EU Assistance Funds (CFCU) in the Ministry of Finance, First Level Control Division (in cont. of the text: <i>the Controller</i>). The Controller is responsible for verification of expenditures (desk based and on-the-spot checks) and for FLC certificate according to the Danube Programme Control Guidelines.</p>
CONTROL COSTS
<p>Control activities provided by Montenegrin Controller will be free of charge for Montenegrin project partners.</p>

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Montenegro?	NO
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National Contact Point:	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
<p>MONTENEGRO DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION.</p> <p>Montenegrin Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).</p>

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM
Not Applicable

Partner State: ROMANIA

Which model of Control System is set up by ROMANIA?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Romania has set up a centralised control system.</p> <p>The Directorate for First Level Control within the Ministry of Public Works, Development and Administration is in charge with the control activity. The director coordinates the FLC activity and approves the validation of the expenditures, whilst the Head of the Unit for EDRF & IPA Expenditure Verification checks the activity of the controllers (civil servants employed, according to national law, through open competition) and endorses the validation of the expenditures. The controllers performing within the Unit for EDRF & IPA Expenditure Verification are responsible for the administrative, technical and financial verification of the expenditures, as well as on-the-spot check of delivery of products and services sub-contracted by the Romanian partners during the lifetime of the projects. The aim of this verification is to ensure an efficient utilisation of the Community and the state budget co-financing funds, in accordance with the subsidy contract, final application, EU-regulations and with the Romanian legislation in force.</p>
CONTROL COSTS
<p>Presently, the expenditures generated by the first level control activity (salaries, site visits, administrative expenses, training, all expenses) for Romanian beneficiaries are covered by the Ministry of Public Works, Development and Administration.</p>

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Romania?	YES
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Responsible national institution for state contribution:	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Development, Public Works, and Administration
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
<p>After the approval of the projects and signature of the subsidy contract, providing also a copy of the signed Partnership Agreement, the Romanian Partners have the possibility to sign a co-financing contract with the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration. Based on this contract, the state budget national co-financing can be received by the Romanian PP in two instalments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - an advance payment of maximum 40% of the state budget co-financing (if requested) and - a final payment after receiving the last ERDF payment. <p>Both co-financing reimbursement claims are to be addressed to the National Authorities for European Programmes Unit within MRDPAEF, as indicated in the contract.</p> <p>The final payment request will be made for the outstanding amounts of national co-financing following the advance payment received (if requested) and calculated based on the ERDF payments made to the Romanian PP. This claim, together with the supporting documents, are analyzed according to a checklist</p>

and forwarded to the Projects Authorizing Unit. After the co-financing reimbursement claim (for the Romanian PPs) is authorized by the Projects Authorizing Unit, an Authorisation of Payment is drawn up by the Programmes Accounting Unit and is approved by the internal financial preventive controllers. The Project Payment and Accounting Department prepares the payment orders and all the documents corresponding to the payments so that the state contribution is paid to the Romanian PPs.

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM

1.	The national co-financing will be provided automatically for each Project Partner (PP) from the Partner State participating in the projects selected by the Monitoring Committee:	NO
2	The national co-financing will be provided only through national call for proposals for the PPs selected at national level participating in the projects selected by the Monitoring Committee:	NO
3	If NO is selected in lines 1. and 2. the national co-financing will be provided to the PPs as follows:	After the approval of the projects and signature of the subsidy contract, providing also a copy of the signed Partnership Agreement, the Romanian Partners have the possibility to sign a co-financing contract with the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration.
4	Grant contract will be signed between the national institution providing the state contribution and the PP:	YES
5	If NO is in line 4. selected, the following legal basis will be used for the payment of the state contribution:	Not Applicable

6	Maximum rate of the state contribution compared to the PP budget (%):	13%
7	Is the state contribution rate the same for each PP? If NOT, it is different in following cases:	YES , the state contribution rate is the same for each PP.
8	Maximum amount of state contribution which can be provided at partner level:	Maximum 13%
9	Pre-financing will be paid to the PPs after the signature of the grant contract? If YES, in which percentage/amount compared to the amount of the state contribution to be provided?	YES After the approval of the projects and signature of the subsidy contract, providing also a copy of the signed Partnership Agreement, the Romanian Partners have the possibility to sign a co-financing contract with the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration. Based on this contract, the state budget national co-financing can be received by the Romanian PP in two instalments: - an advance payment of maximum 40% of the state budget co-financing (if requested) and - a final payment after receiving the last ERDF payment.
10	At which phase of the project implementation the national institution will reimburse the state contribution to the PPs?	
	Reimbursement of state contribution to PP after validation of expenditure, i.e. the state contribution can be paid to the PP before the submission of the Application for Reimbursement by the LP to the MA/JS:	YES, for the advance payment.

	Reimbursement of state contribution to PP only after the Application for Reimbursement is approved by the MA/JS:	YES, for the final payment.
11	If <u>only NO is selected</u> in line10., the system for the payment of the state contribution is as follows:	Not Applicable

Partner State: SERBIA

Which model of Control System is set up by SERBIA?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Finance – Republic of Serbia, Department for Contracting and Financing of EU Funded Programmes (CFCU), Division for First Level Control of IPA Projects (FLC)
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>Republic of Serbia set up a centralised control system.</p> <p>In Serbia Division for First Level Control of IPA Projects (FLC) under the Department for Contracting and Financing of EU Funded Programs (referred to as the CFCU) in the Ministry of Finance’s (MoF’s) is appointed as a Control Body by the Government Conclusion 05 No. 337-9895/2017 of 12 October 2017. In the context of IPA II, the Serbian Control Body is responsible for verifying expenditure for CBC and TNC programmes.</p> <p>Formal duties of the Division for FLC of IPA Projects are described in the document “National level procedures for First Level Control for the Serbian Interreg-IPA Cross-Border Cooperation and Transnational Cooperation Programmes under shared management – FLC Manual”.</p> <p>The main objective of the Division for FLC of IPA Projects is to guarantee that the costs reported under the</p>

Interreg IPA CBC and TNC programmes are justified and that payments claimed by the Serbian Project Partners are in accordance with the legal and financial clauses of the subsidy contract and the rules governing the IPA programmes, the European Community regulations and the respective national legislation. Checks need to be sufficient to confirm all aspects of the eligibility, regularity and legality of the expenditure in question. Therefore they should cover all points of correctness and compliance mentioned in the EC guidance note on management verifications including eligibility, compliance with public procurement rules and reference to the project's expenditure as originally approved.

CONTROL COSTS

Control activities provided by First Level Control officers will be **free of charge** for the Serbian project partners.

The salaries of the First Level Control officers for Serbian partners are financed from the state budget. The First Level Control officers responsible for verification of costs of Serbian partners under Danube Transnational Programme are employed as civil servants with the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Serbia.

Is there a national co-financing system for state contribution established in Serbia?

NO

National Contact Point:

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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS

SERBIA DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION

Serbian Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM

Not Applicable

Partner State: SLOVAK REPUBLIC

Which model of Control System is set up by SLOVAK REPUBLIC?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
Name of the institution:	Ministry of Investments, Regional Development and Informatization of the Slovak Republic (MIRDI SR) 1. Department of transnational cooperation programs (DTCP) MIRDI SR 2. European Financial Mechanism Procurement Control Unit MIRDI SR 3. Project Implementation Department of the Operational Program Technical Assistance (PID OPTP) MIRDI SR
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>The Slovakian control system is centralised.</p> <p>The first level control of expenditure of Slovak project partners will be carried out by the Ministry of Investments, Regional Development and Informatization of the Slovak Republic, Section of Operational Programme Technical Assistance and Other Financial Mechanisms / Department of transnational cooperation programs, the Section of Operational Programme Technical Assistance and Other Financial Mechanisms / European Financial Mechanism Procurement Control Unit, which will carry out the control of public procurement and Section of Operational Programme Technical Assistance and Other Financial Mechanisms/ Project Implementation Department of the Operational Program Technical Assistance, which will carry out the control of technical assistance DTP projects.</p> <p>Designated controllers participate at the elaboration of the Eligibility rules of expenditure for Slovak beneficiaries, which were issued by Government office of Slovak Republic at the beginning of 2017, updated at 03.05.2017 (version 2.0), updated at 10.08.2018 (version 3.0) 21.12.2018 (version 3.1), updated at 01.04.2020 (version 4.0) and are available currently at the web page http://www.danube.vlada.gov.sk/kontrola-projektov/</p>
CONTROL COSTS
<p>Control costs are free of charge for Slovakian project partners.</p>

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Slovakia?	NO
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National Contact Point:	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
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<p>SLOVAKIA DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION</p> <p>Slovak Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).</p>
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SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM
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Not Applicable

Partner State: SLOVENIA

Which model of Control System is set up by SLOVENIA?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
Name of the institution:	Government Office for development and European Cohesion Policy (GODC); Responsible unit: Control Division, Objective 2 Control Section
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>The Slovenian control system is centralised.</p> <p>The control activity is carried out at national level by Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy (GODC) which is the Slovenian national authority for the transnational programmes.</p> <p>The description of the control system regarding the scope of the work, the task and responsibilities of each controller:</p> <p>The objectives and scope of the work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to verify the reality of the expenditure - to verify the legality and regularity of the expenditure - to verify the delivery of the products and services co-financed - to ensure the compliance with the principle of sound financial management – economy, efficiency and effectiveness - to verify the soundness of the expenditure declared - to verify the compliance of the expenditure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - with the Community rules, - with programme rules - where applicable, with national rules

- with Subsidy contract, Partnership agreement and the latest approved Application form
- to verify the respect of public procurement rules
- to verify the respect of State Aid rules
- to verify the respect of publicity rules
- to verify that the lead partner transfers promptly and in full the ERDF to the project partners
- to verify the respect of horizontal principles
- to verify the generation of revenue
- to avoid double co-financing
- to verify the maintenance of an adequate and reliable accounting system
- to verify the maintenance of an audit trail at all levels (LP and PP) of the operation (in the Monitoring system when available and in hard copy (e.g. documentation for verification of the respect of public procurement rules could be sent and stored in hard copy))

Each controller is responsible for:

- 100% administrative checks of the eligibility of costs and preparation of confirmations of control of eligible costs for reimbursement of EU funds related to activities and outputs of Slovenian project partners (activity and financial reports, supplements), as well as sample on-the-spot checks;
- SI FLC has prepared risk analysis based on which on-the-spot and administrative verifications will be performed. Administrative control performed by the controller will be carried out on a sample basis (sample based desk control), based on the Methodology accepted by the SI FLC. The sample will be relevant only for two cost categories, Staff cost and Travel and accommodation costs, and all other cost categories are checked 100%, especially public procurement costs, but not only.
- On-the-spot verifications are carried out on a sample basis, with the exception, where 100% On-the-spot verifications is provided for all expenditures for investments and equipment. During epidemic situation, certain OTSCs are carried out online, if there is no risk that the OTSC cannot be fully performed and documented.
- providing guidance and clarifications to beneficiaries and relevant institutions as well as preparation of the national guidelines for project partners;
- preparation and updating of the description of the national control system for the programme;
- maintenance of the records of received reports from beneficiaries in the Monitoring system when available and hard copy in the GODC archives;
- organisation of workshops for Slovene project partners;
- cooperation with national contact point, members of the Monitoring Committee and the Joint Secretariat;
- participation at European and national audits of the projects and their eventual follow-up;
- preparation of analyses, reports and information related to control.

CONTROL COSTS

Control costs are **free of charge** for Slovenian project partners.

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Slovenia?	NO
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National Contact Point:	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
<p>SLOVENIA DOES NOT PROVIDE STATE CONTRIBUTION</p> <p>Slovenian Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).</p>

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM
Not Applicable

Partner State: UKRAINE

Which model of Control System is set up by UKRAINE?	CENTRALISED CONTROL SYSTEM
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Designated Controller (Control body):	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE CONTROL SYSTEM
<p>In Ukraine, there is a centralized management and control system in accordance with paragraph 2 of the Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of 20.11.2019 no. 1038 "On the introduction of management and control over the implementation of the State Transnational Program"</p> <p>Clause 4.4 of the Regulations on the State Audit Service of Ukraine approved by the Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of February 3, 2016 no. 43 (as amended on September, 9, 2020 № 795) provides that the State Audit Service monitors the legality of expenditures of beneficiaries (partners) within operational programs of cross-border cooperation (ENI).</p>
CONTROL COSTS
<p>Control costs will be free of charge for Ukrainian project partners. In accordance with Article 6 of the Law of Ukraine "On Basic Principles of Public Financial Control in Ukraine" provides that financial support for the activities of public financial control is provided by the State Budget.</p>

Is there a national co-financing system <u>for state contribution</u> established in Ukraine?	NO
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National Contact Point:	
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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM TO THE PROJECTS
Ukrainian Project Partners have to ensure the national co-financing (15% of their project budget) by their own (public or private) sources and/or other contribution (e.g. regional/local/other sources).

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL CO-FINANCING SYSTEM
Not Applicable