

MONITORING COMMITTEE

under Interreg VI-A IPA Bulgaria – North Macedonia Programme CCI 2021TC16IPCB006

Written procedure No.10, initiated on 07.03.2024

1. Description:

On 7th of March 2024 with official letter No 99-00-2-40/07.03.2024, a decision making procedure in writing for approval of Addendum N° 1 to Subsidy Contract N° RD-02-29-115/17.11.2023 of the strategic project "Establishment of a new Border Cross Check Point (BCCP) Strumyani-Berovo ("Klepalo") between Bulgaria and North Macedonia" of the Interreg VI-A IPA Bulgaria – North Macedonia Programme, was initiated by the Managing Authority – Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works of Republic of Bulgaria.

The need of the amendment of the Subsidy contract is related to a technical change in the Subsidy contract template (approved with Decision No 3/06.12.2022). The addendum is related to the correct distribution of the national co-financing for each of the partnering countries Bulgaria and North Macedonia and the correct value of the Subsidy Contract, namely:

The Article 3. Budget of the operation

The Table:

EU contribution	National public contribution	Own voluntary contribution	Total
7 635 345,19 EUR	1 348 085,81 EUR	2 144 251,55 EUR	11 127 682, 55 EUR

Is amended as:

EU contribution	National public contribution of Bulgaria	National public contribution of North Macedonia	Own voluntary contribution	Total
7 635 345,19 EUR	796537,62 EUR	551548,19 EUR	2 144 251,55 EUR	11 127 682,55 EUR

The text

- 1) The total amount of the Contract (the subsidy) is estimated at EUR 8 983 431, 00 (eight million nine hundred and eighty-three thousand four hundred and thirty one euros), representing the maximum total amount of EU and national public contribution from both countries.
- 2) The MA commits itself to transfer these funds to the LP in the limit of the available balance. In case of insufficient funds, payment process is suspended until the Accounting Authority credits the Programme's bank account with the necessary amounts.

Is amended as:

- 1) The total amount of the Contract (the subsidy) is estimated at EUR 8,431,882.81 euros (eight million four hundred thirty-one thousand eight hundred eighty-two euros and eighty-one euro cents), representing the maximum total amount of EU and national public contribution from the Republic of Bulgaria.
- 2) The MA commits itself to transfer these funds to the LP in the limit of the available balance. In case of insufficient funds, payment process is suspended until the Accounting Authority credits the Programme's bank account with the necessary amounts. The national public contribution of the Republic of North Macedonia shall be transferred by the National Authority to the project partner/s from North Macedonia.

In accordance with Article 7 (3) of the Rules of procedure of the Monitoring Committee, the MC members had been given **5 (five) working days** from dispatch of the documents to respond in writing. The deadline for comments/approval was 14th of March 2024.

No written objections, additional proposals or comments have been received within the given deadline, and it can be concluded that the MC approves Addendum N° 1 to Subsidy Contract N° RD-02-29-115/17.11.2023 of the strategic project "Establishment of a new Border Cross Check Point (BCCP) Strumyani-Berovo ("Klepalo") between Bulgaria and North Macedonia" of the Interreg VI-A IPA Bulgaria – North Macedonia Programme.

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2. Decisions:

The Monitoring Committee approves Addendum N° 1 to Subsidy Contract N° RD-02-29-115/17.11.2023 of the strategic project "Establishment of a new Border Cross Check Point (BCCP) Strumyani-Berovo ("Klepalo") between Bulgaria and North Macedonia" of the Interreg VI-A IPA Bulgaria – North Macedonia Programme;

The hereby Decisions is adopted on the <u>15th of March 2024</u> the date following the deadline for submission of approval/ objections/ additional proposals / comments from Monitoring Committee members.

3. Attachments:

- Letter from Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works No 99-00-2-40/07.03.2024 to MC members;
- 2. Subsidy Contract RD-02-29-115/17.11.2023;
- 3. Project of Addendum №1.

for Republic of Bulgaria:

for Republic of North Macedonia:

Mrs. ANGELINA TODOROVA-BONEVA

Deputy Minister of Regional
Development and Public Works
Co-chairperson of Monitoring Committee

Mr. RISTO PENOV

Minister of Local-Self Government Co-chairperson of Monitoring Committee