

Information session

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Agenda

14:30 - 14:40	Welcome and introduction	Walter Zampieri, HoU – European Higher Education, EACEA
14:40 - 15:10	Overall policy objectives and activities	Svein Hullstein & Christian Kiefer, European Commission, DG EAC
15:10 - 15:40	Call conditions and award criteria	Anila Troshani, HoS – European Higher Education, EACEA
15:40 - 16:00	How to apply – Tips for preparing an application	Faidra Diona – European Higher Education, EACEA
16:00 - 16:20	Introduction to the lump-sum type II grants	Stefania Frassanito – European Higher Education, EACEA
16:20 - 16:55	Q&A	
16:55 - 17:00	Closing remarks	Walter Zampieri, HoU – European Higher Education, EACEA





Overall policy objectives and activities

What is in the call?

ERAMUS+ Joint Call (EUR 9.000.000)

EHEA (EUR 6.000.000)

Transnational cooperation projects

Max EUR 500.000

per project

Technical and administrative support Max EUR 750.000

NARIC EUR 3.000.000



Overall purpose of the call

EHEA

Support the Bologna Process and its commitments through engaging national authorities, consultative members and other stakeholders to address gaps identified in the 2024 Bologna Process Implementation Report or to achieve the priorities of the Tirana Communiqué.

In addition: support for Bologna secretariat

NARIC

Support NARICs in implementing key EU EHEA commitments: and fair and recognition procedures, transparent especially automatic recognition and fair for third-country recognition nationals' qualifications. In addition: opportunities for supporting capacity building activities for NARIC canters, and to a technical assistance team.



EHEA transnational cooperation projects

Activities that can be funded (scope)

Support actions to implement the work plan of the working structures established under the Bologna Follow-Up Group in the form of peer groups, advisory groups and working groups;

Transnational peer support activities targeting any of the current member countries of the EHEA;

Assistance to drafting legislation, or actions plans (i.e. on the tools of the EHEA to support implementation at national/regional/institutional level;

Development of monitoring and relevant tools for instance based on digital instruments;

Conferences, seminars or workshops in particular with the purpose to build a shared ownership and commitment between national authorities and stakeholders;

Study visits and follow-up studies, analyses and dissemination material;

Legal and administrative support (i.e. support for the design and implementation of a long-term secretariat).



Bologna Follow Up Group (BFUG) **BFUG Board** Bologna Implementation | Coordination Group EHEA Secretariat **Thematic Peer Groups** TPG A (Qualifications Framework) TPG B (Lisbon Recognition Convention) TPG C (Quality Assurance) TPG D (Social Dimension) Dialogue **Drafting** Task Force on long-term Secretariat Committee



The Advisory Group on the ECTS users' guide revision shall be composed by a small group of experts and it is chaired by the European Commission.



NARIC activities

Type	Activities that can be funded (scope)	
1	Transnational cooperation projects: Achieving fair and transparent recognition procedures, especially automatic recognition (Higher Education and Upper Secondary Education and Training – School Education / VET)	
2	Capacity building of the centres of the NARIC Network	
3	Annual joint ENIC-NARIC network meetings	
4	Technical Support Team" - Technical support and assistance to the ENIC Bureau (EB), the NARIC Advisory Board (NAB), to ELCORE and to the ENIC-NARIC Co-Secretariats	





Call conditions and award criteria

Call conditions / Admissibility





To be admissible, proposals must be:

- submitted via the Funding & Tenders portal before the call deadline;
- complete (they must contain all the requested forms -available through the Submission System-, annexes and supporting documents).



Call conditions / Eligibility

EHEA

Q: Who can participate?

Q: From which countries?

Q: Who can coordinate?

A: Organisations working on the implementation of the Bologna process

A: From any country forming part of the EHEA (except for Russia & Belarus)

A: National authorities or delegated bodies* in EU MS / associated countries working on the implementation of the Bologna process; EHEA consultative members & European Quality Assurance Register for Higher Education (EQAR)





Call conditions / Eligibility



* Example for Designation Letter

[Place], [Date]

I, the undersigned, [Name of Legal Representative], representing the [Name of National Authority], designate the [Name of Designated Organisation], to apply as coordinator of the project proposal '[Proposal Title]', in response to the ERASMUS-EDU-2024-EHEA-NARIC call, topic 1 – European Higher Education Area (EHEA).

If successful, all coordinating tasks and responsibilities will subsequently remain with the [Name of Designated Organisation] during project implementation.

[Name of Legal Representative] [Signature]



Call conditions / Eligibility

NARIC

Q: Who can participate?

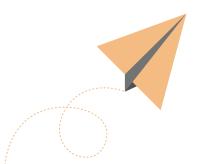
Q: From which countries?

Q: Who can coordinate?

A: ENIC/NARICs; other organisations working on automatic recognition (incl. in upper secondary education/VET)

A: For ENIC/NARICs: from all countries forming part of the ENIC/NARIC networks (except Russia & Belarus)

A: NARICs



For other organisations working on automatic recognition: from EU MS / associated countries





Call conditions / Project composition

Type 1 - Transnational cooperation projects



At least two organisations from two eligible countries

Eligible organisation(s) from the countries hosting the **BFUG Secretariat**



Type 2 – Technical and administrative support





NARIC

Call conditions / Project composition

Type 1 – Transnational cooperation projects

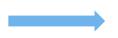
Minimum three NARICs

Type 2 – Capacity building



It may involve only one NARIC

Type 3 – Joint ENIC-NARIC annual meetings



One NARIC for 2026 /

One NARIC for 2027

Type 4 – Technical support team



Minimum two NARICs





Call conditions / Duration

EHEA / NARIC







Call conditions / Funding rate

Type 1 - Transnational cooperation projects

Type 2 – Technical and administrative support



Max EUR 500,000 per project

Indicative number of projects to be funded:





Max EUR 750,000 per project

Number of projects to be funded:





NARIC

Call conditions / Funding rate

Type 1 – Transnational cooperation projects

Max EUR 300,000 per project

Indicative number of projects to be funded:

6

Type 2 – Capacity building

Max EUR 100,000 per project

Indicative number of projects to be funded:



Type 3 – Joint ENIC- NARIC annual meetings

Max EUR 100,000 per project

Number of projects to be funded:



Type 4 – Technical support team

Max EUR 500,000 per project

Number of projects to be funded:





Award criteria / Relevance

EU added value





Innovation

EU values

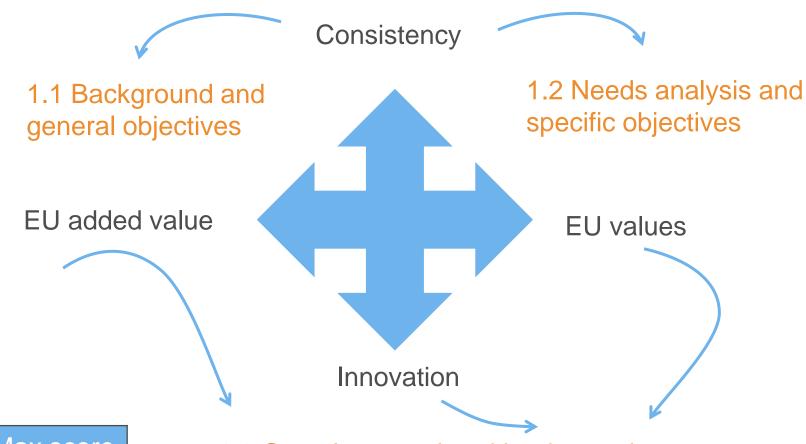


Min score	Max score	
16	30	



Award criteria / Relevance



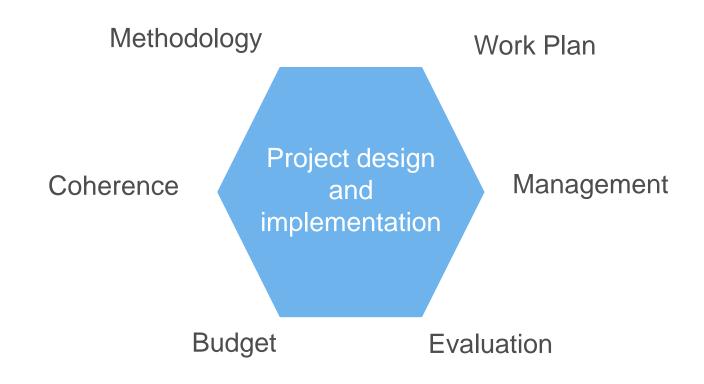


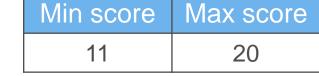
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1.3 Complementarity with other actions and innovation — European added value



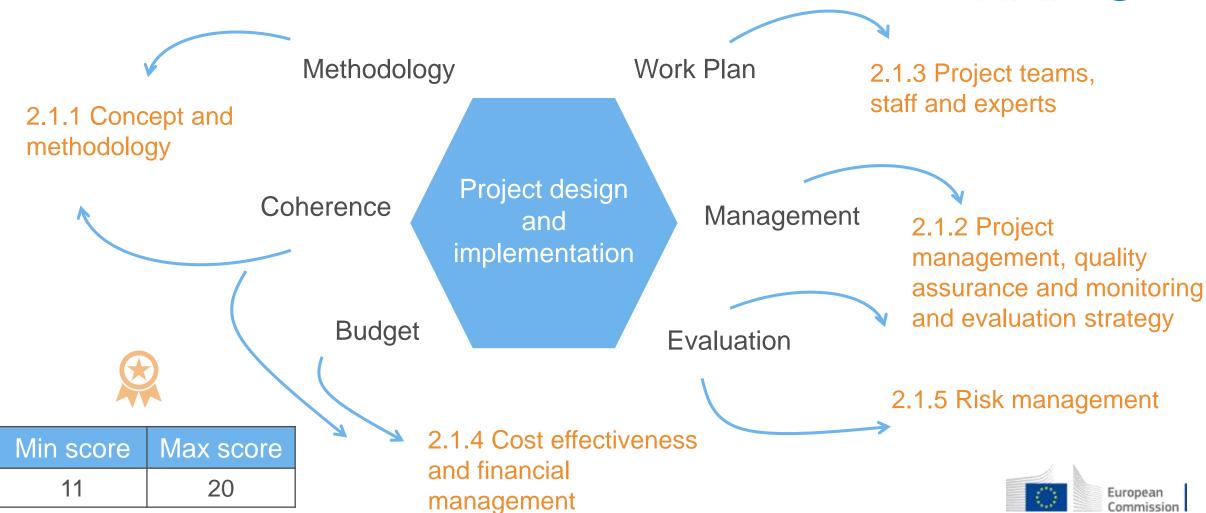








EHEA / NARIC



EHEA/ NARIC



Partnership and cooperation arrangements

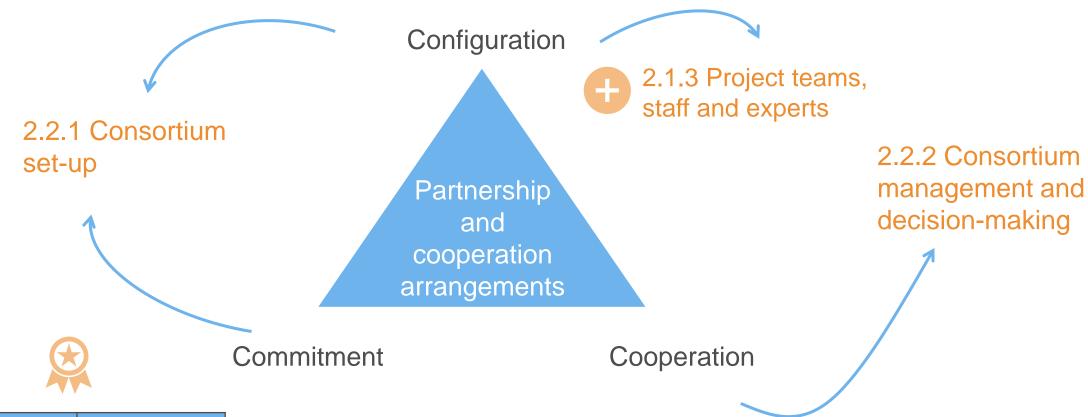
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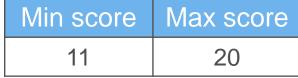
Cooperation

Min score	Max score
11	20



EHEA / NARIC

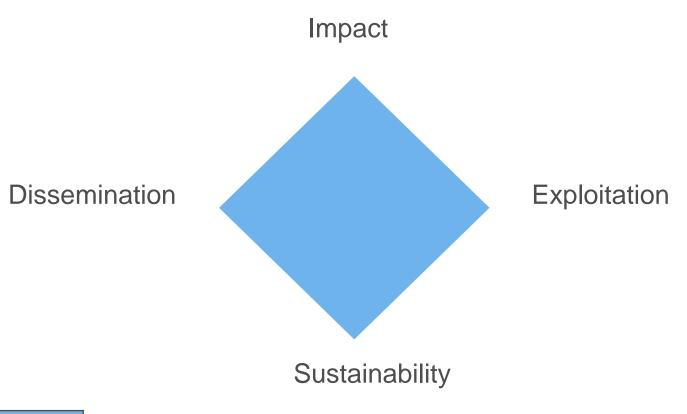






Award criteria / Impact









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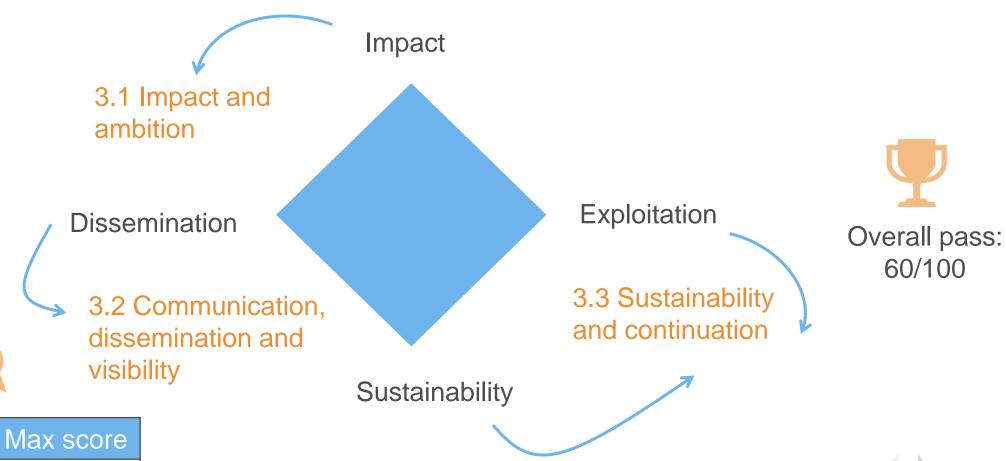
Award criteria / Impact

Min score

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30







60/100



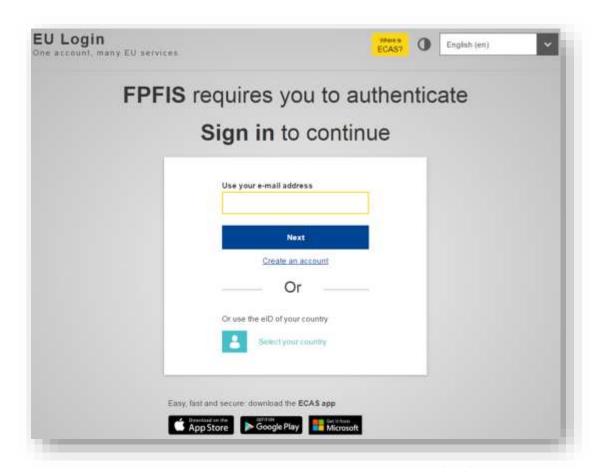
How to apply

- Tips for preparing an application

How to apply / Prerequisites

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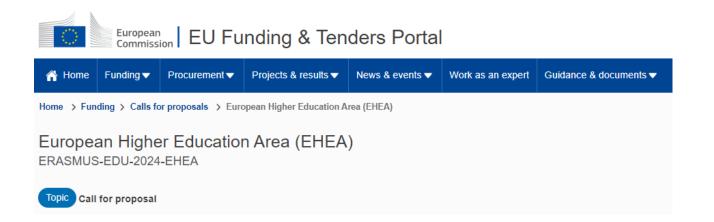
- A valid EU Login account If not available, you can create it here: https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/eim/extern al/register.cgi
- A 9-digit PIC (Participant Identification Code) - If not available, you can register your organisation here: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/participant-register

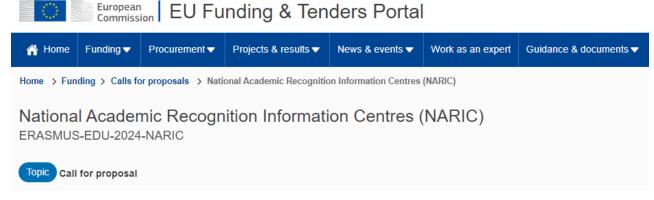




How to apply / Start from topic page

Different submission link for each topic:







How to apply / Start submission

Start submission



To access the Electronic Submission Service, please click on the submission-button next to the **type of model grant agreement** that corresponds to your proposal. You will then be asked to confirm your choice, as it cannot be changed in the submission system. Upon confirmation, you will be linked to the correct entry point.

To access existing draft proposals for this topic, please login to the Funding & Tenders Portal and select the My Proposals page of the My Area section.

Please select the type of your submission:

○ ERASMUS Lump Sum Grants [ERASMUS-LS], ERASMUS Lump Sum Grant [ERASMUS-AG-LS]

Start submission



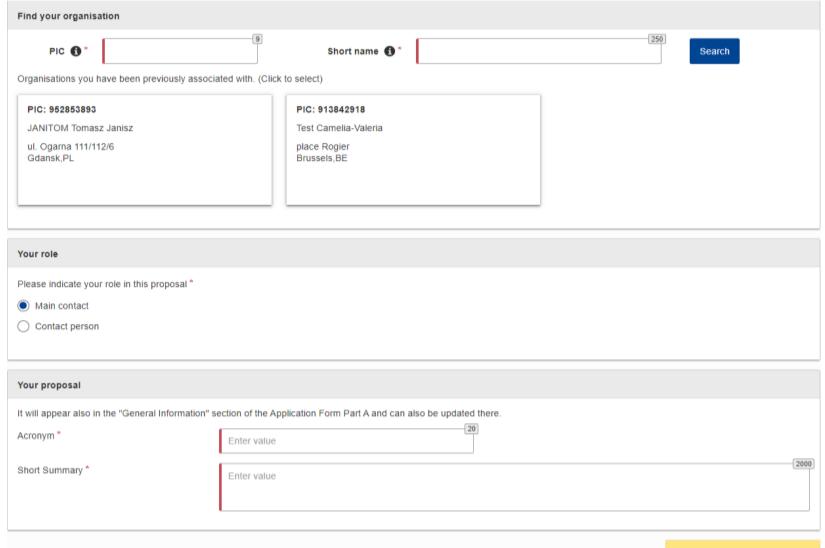
How to apply / Once in the submission system

- Insert coordinating organisation, proposal acronym & summary;
- Add participants (beneficiaries / associated partners);
- Edit part A (online);
- Download, fill in & upload part B;
- Complete part C (online);
- Validate;
- Submit.



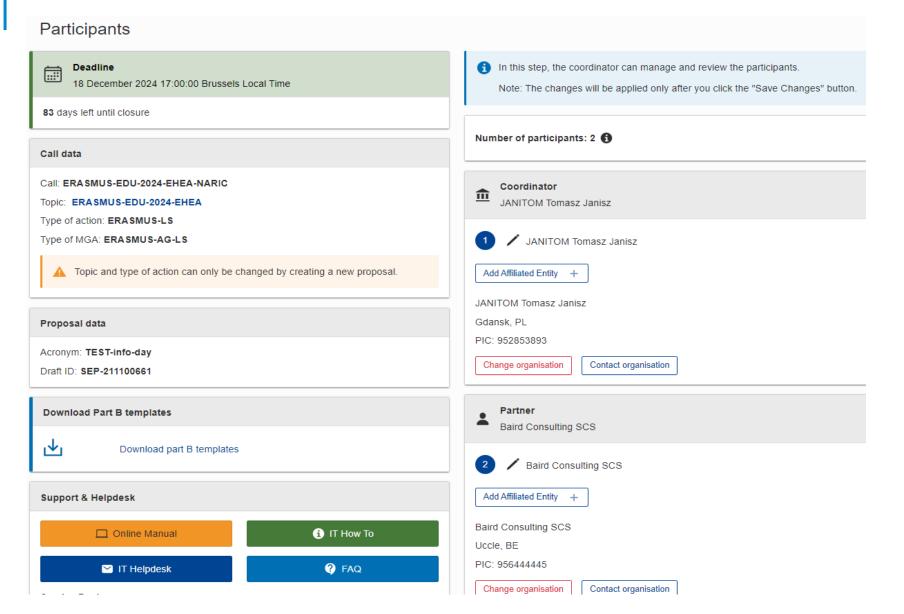


How to apply - Create your proposal



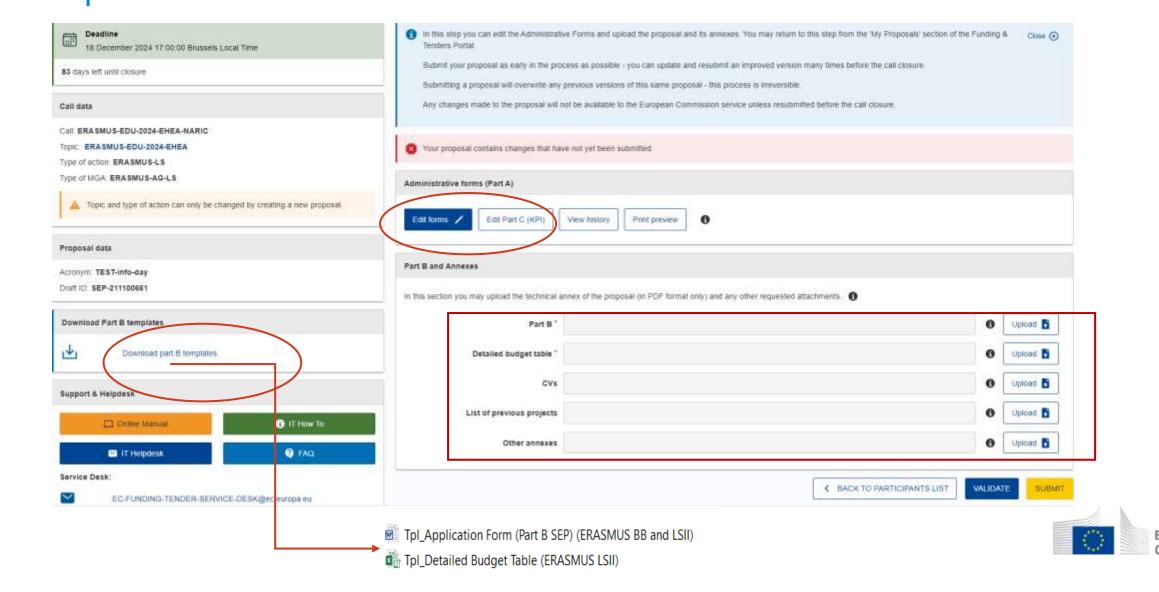


How to apply / Add participants





How to apply / Templates and forms



How to apply / Edit part A

Call: ERASMUS-EDU-2024-EHEA-NARIC

(European Higher Education Area (EHEA) and National Academic Recognition Information Centres (NARIC))

Topic: ERASMUS-EDU-2024-EHEA

Type of Action: ERASMUS-LS (ERASMUS Lump Sum Grants)

Proposal number: SEP-211100661

Proposal acronym: TEST-info-day

Type of Model Grant Agreement: ERASMUS Lump Sum Grant

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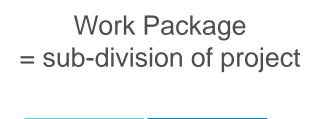
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How to apply - Edit part B / Work Packages





Tasks / activities

Milestones

= Landmarks



How to apply – Edit part B / Deliverables



Document that presents a specific outcome

Dissemination level: Public or Sensitive



Meeting agenda, invitations, final report, financial report

Not all due at the end



How to apply / Edit part C

KPIs (Key Performance Indicators) Please fill in the data for your project. At submission and grant preparation stage, the data will be on your planned indicators, at reporting stage it should be the real indicators achieved (since the project start). The KPI tool should be updated with the latest report (the KPIs are mandatory part of the project reporting). Erasmus+ Programme (ERASMUS) - Education (EDU) Location NUTS1 NUTS2 Country Country @ * This is a mandatory field Type of project, thematic areas and types of activities Types of activities: * EU Citizenship, EU awareness and Democracy Creativity and culture Disabilities - special needs Access for disadvantaged Social dialogue Environment and climate change Gender equality / equal opportunities New innovative curricula/educational methods/development of training courses Pedagogy and didactics Quality and Relevance of Higher Education in Partner Countries Quality Assurance Recognition (non-formal and informal learning/credits) Research and innovation Youth (Participation, Youth Work, Youth Policy) Teaching and learning of foreign languages Open and distance learning Post-conflict/post-disaster rehabilitation Entrepreneurial learning - entrepreneurship education Combat violence and tackle racism, discrimination and intolerance in sport Migrant issues Civic engagement / responsible citizenship



Tips for preparing an application

- Attention to eligibility and award criteria;
- Clear structure of work packages;
- Coherence between part A and part B of the proposal;
- Teamwork;
- Don't wait until the very last moment!







Introduction to the lump-sum type II grants

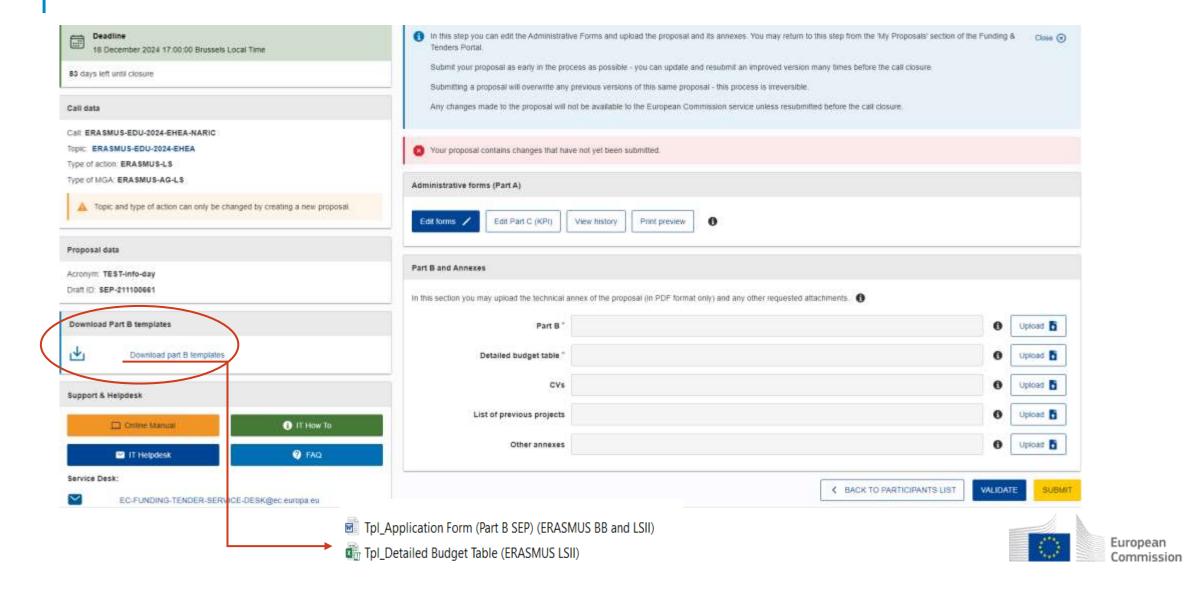
Basic principles

- Simplified funding mechanism aimed at reducing financial errors;
- No reporting on actual costs;
- Focus on the delivery and completion of work packages.





Where to find the budget table



ANNEX 1 to Part B **Detailed Estimation of Costs for Lump Sums**

Instructions

This workbook for Lump Sum calculation must be uploaded in the Submission system as a mandatory document in annex to the application.

Please note that if you do not upload the fully completed Excel workbook as an annex, the application cannot be submitted (the system will not allow you to submit).

According to the Lump sum scheme, the lump sum for a Work Package (WP) will normally be paid only when the entire Work Package has been completed. Please take this into consideration while structuring your proposal. Work Packages should be designed in a way that enables the evaluator to clearly identify whether the action has been completed.

We recommend using Excel 2010 or more recent.

The only currency used in this worksheet is EURO.

The first thing you need to do is to set the relevant Maximum Grant Amount (in row 34 of this sheet), and the maximum co-financing rate (in row 35, both in column E) applicable for the call.

This data can be found on the Portal under Topic Conditions and in the Call document.

You then have to fill in only the following sheets: 'Beneficiaries List' - 'Work Package list' - 'BE XXX' (one sheet per Participating Organisation) - 'Depreciation costs' (if your budget includes the purchase of equipment). The final tab "Any comments" must be used to provide key information required for a full evaluation of your detailed budget (see point 18 below).

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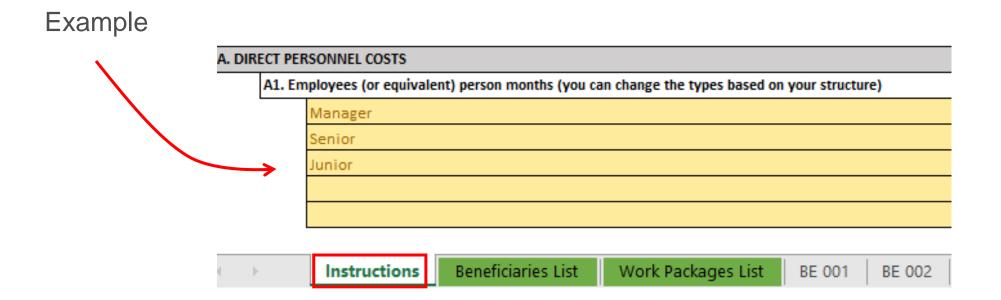
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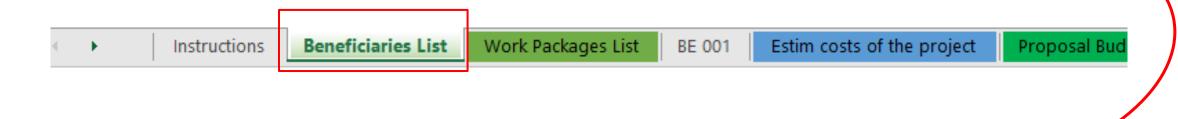








Li	st of Beneficiaries and Affiliated E	ntities		
BE NR/AE	BE/TP name	Acronym	Country	APPLY CHANGES
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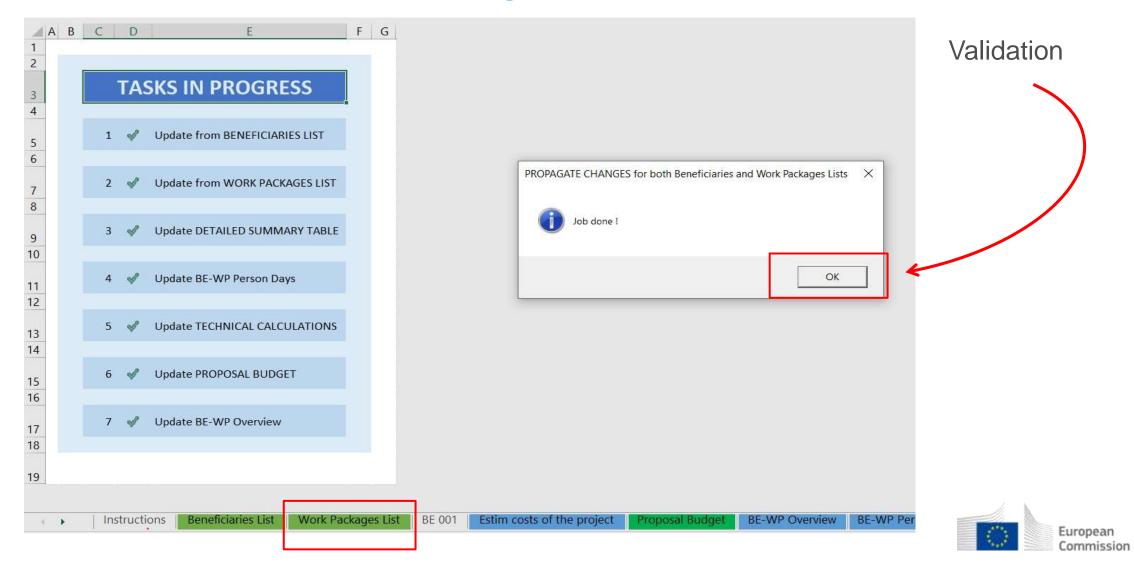


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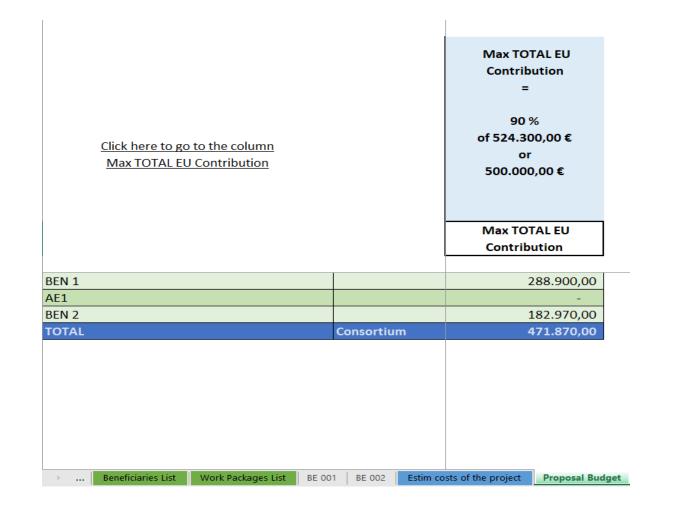
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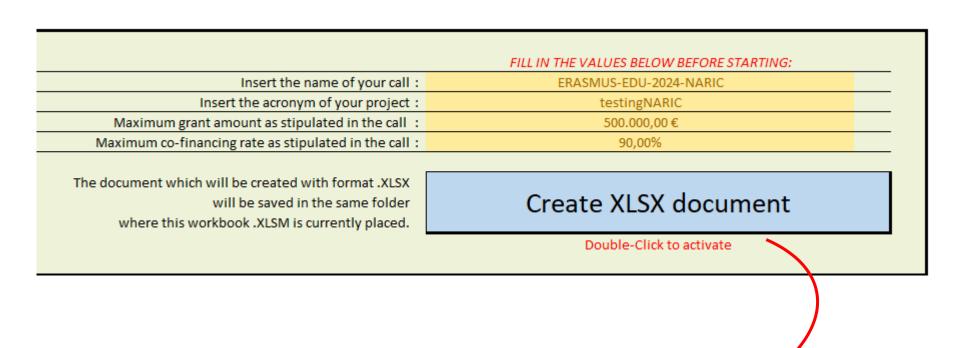


DE 004		BE 001	PE 001	
BE 001	TEST			BE 001
TEST	UNITS	COST PER UNIT	BENEFICIARY TOTAL COSTS	BE+AE TOTAL COSTS
Total WORK PACKAGES:			268.035,00	268.035,00
Management				
A. DIRECT PERSONNEL COSTS			85.000,00	85.000,00
A1. Employees (or equivalent) person months			85.000,00	85.000,00
Manager	50,00	1.000,00	50.000,00	50.000,00
Senior	50,00	500,00	25.000,00	25.000,00
Junior	50,00	200,00	10.000,00	10.000,00
0			-	-
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A.2 Natural persons under direct contract			-	-
A.3 Seconded persons			-	-
A.4 SME Owners without salary			-	-
A.5 Volunteers			-	-
B. Subcontracting costs (please specify details under worksheet "Comments")			-	-
C. Purchase costs			-	-
C.1 Travel and subsistence per travel or day			-	-
Travel			-	-
Accommodation			-	-
Subsistence			-	-
C.2 Equipment (please refer to the Depreciation Cost sheet)			-	-
C.3 Other goods, works and services			-	-
Consumables			-	-
Services for Meetings, Seminars			-	-
Services for communication/promotion/dissemination			-	-
Website			-	-
Artistic Fees			-	-
Other (please specify details under worksheet "Comments")			-	-
D. Other cost categories			-	-
D.1 Financial support to third parties			-	-
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS INCLUDING SUBCONTRACTING (A+B+C+D)			85.000,00	85.000,00
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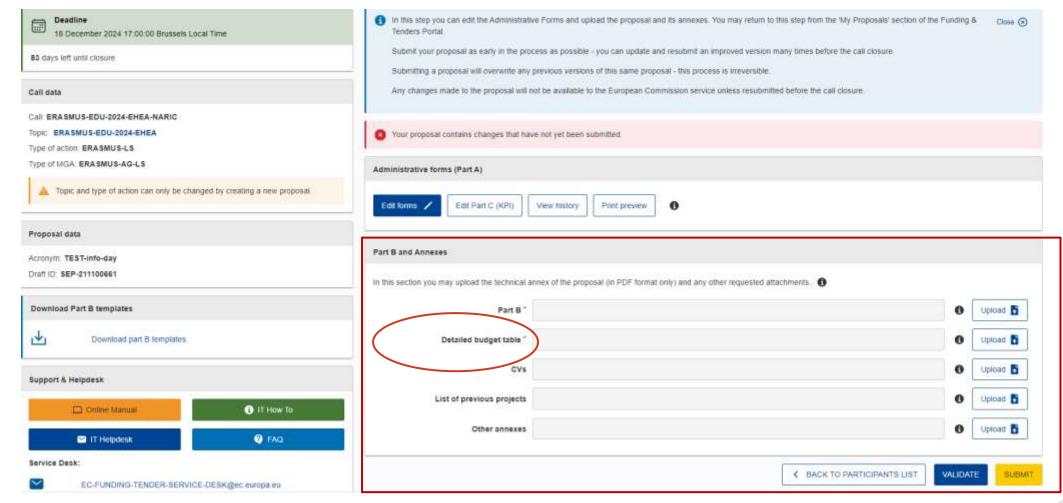




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Uploading the budget table





Tips for preparing the financial part of the application

- Very first thing to do: Read carefully the instructions in the budget table;
- Make sure your amounts are coherent in all parts of the application (part A & part B);
- Check that your budget is sound, detailed, organised and coherent with the work packages;
- Regularly save your document and double click to apply the changes.







Resources

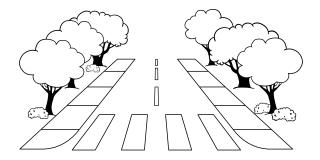
- Online manual
- o <u>Technical guidance</u>
- o <u>Video tutorials</u>

For questions:

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Thank you & good luck with your proposal!





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