





### **WORKSHOP A**

### Sound financial management

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# **Opening**

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# Presentation Eligibility questions in transnational mobility measures

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- (1) Type of costs
- (2) Split of costs
- (3) Use of simplified cost options (incl. audit and control)











## (1) Type of costs

- Costs in the following project phases:
  - Partner finding and project preparation
  - Participant recruitment
  - Participant preparation
  - Stay abroad
  - Follow-up











### (1) Type of costs

#### **Agreement TLN Mobility**

- 1. Expenses for activities in all project phases are eligible
- 2. Exact type and nature of costs eligible in the different phases are decided by the national/regional authorities











A) Costs incurred in sending country

B) Costs in hosting country related to individual participant

C) Costs of partner in hosting country

Risk of double funding or no funding → decision needed!!!



**Sending** country



**Hosting** country











#### **Agreement TLN Mobility**

- 1. Sending country is carrying all costs related to activities for their participants
- 2. All costs: Cost in the sending country and in the hosting country











### **Agreement TLN Mobility**

3. Costs in hosting country related to individual participant are paid by the sending country

(Recommendation: Use of SCO)

B) Costs in hosting country related to individual participant













### **Agreement TLN Mobility**

4. Costs of partner in hosting country are paid by the sending country

(Recommendation: Use of SCO)

C) Costs of partner in hosting country











simplify. (3) Use of SCO

### **Agreement TLN Mobility**

1. Recommendation to use SCO (especially for costs incurring abroad)

2. Exact rules
governing the use of
SCO as well as the
size of these are
decided by the
national/ regional
authorities









simplify. (3) Use of SCO

- Standard unit of costs "Costs host organisation"
- Standard unit of costs "Mobility costs related to participants"
- Audit and control









- Standard scales of unit costs cover:
  - All costs of the host organisation

- Calculation based on:
  - Salary per day amount (= Unit cost) per days of stay abroad per group









- To get salary per day: Adopting model from Erasmus+:
  - Salary per day for "teachers, trainers, researchers, youth workers"
  - Simple model with EU 28 divided into four groups of Member States









#### Daily rate per country group

Country group and countries	Daily rate in €
Country group 1: Denmark, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands,	241
Austria, Sweden	
Country group 2:	214
Belgium, France, Italy, Finland, UK, Germany	214
Country group 3:	
Czech Republic, Greece, Spain, Cyprus, Malta,	137
Portugal, Slovenia	
Country group 4:	
Bulgaria, Estonia, Croatia, Latvia, Lithuania,	74
Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic	

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- Group size: 8 -12 participants supervised by one social worker/youth worker of the hosting partner (For groups less than 8 and more than 12 participants: reduction/addition 5 % per participant)
- In addition to the days of the stay abroad 5 days extra available for project preparation prior to arrival of the participants









simplify.

# (3) Use of SCO Costs host organisation

# **Example: One Group** (with 10 participants) stay **60 days** in **Spain**

Calculation:

One group x 60 days x 137 € (rate Spain)= 8.220 €

- + 5 days preparation x 137 € = 685 €
- Total amount "Costs host organisation":
   8.905 €









- Provision of proof for the settlement of the unit costs
  - agreement with participant
  - participant list
  - transnational cooperation agreement
  - proof of bank transfer











#### Standard scales of unit costs cover:

- Accommodation and subsistence allowances
- Travel and transport costs incurred abroad
- Insurance for the time of the stay abroad
- Costs related to the support programme (Expenses for travelling abroad are not included)

#### Calculation based on:

 Per day amount (= Unit cost) per days of stay abroad per participant







- To get per day amount: Use mobility lump sum under IdA programme
  - IdA Mobility lump sum based on Leonardo da Vinci
  - Convert monthly rates in daily rates
- Increase standard scales of unit costs by up to 50 % for participants with additional special needs









#### Standard scales of unit costs to settle participants' mobility costs

Country	Standard scales of unit costs in € per month and participant	Standard scales of unit costs in € per day* and participant 39.45		
Belgium	1200			
Bulgaria	1002	32.94		
Denmark	1654	54.38		
Estonia	954	31.36		
Finland	1400	46.03		
France	1418	46.62		
Greece	1120	36.82		
Ireland	1464	48.13		
Iceland	1376	45.24		
Italy	1350	44.38		
Croatia	1041	34.98		
Latvia	920	30.25		

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# Example: One Group (with 10 participants) stay 60 days in Spain

Calculation:

10 participants x 60 days x 40,31 € (rate Spain) = **24.186** €

Total amount "Mobility costs participants":
 24.186 €









- Provision of proof for the settlement of the unit costs
  - agreement with participant
  - participant list









(3) Use of SCO
Audit and control

# Guidance on Simplified Cost Options (SCOs)

Flat rate financing,
Standard scales of unit costs,
Lump sums

(under Articles 67 and 68 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, Article 14(2) – (4) of Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 and Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)

### Chapter 6.5:

Audit and control approach









# (3) Use of SCO Audit and control

- Audits will carried out on the basis of the calculation method used at Managing Authorities/ Intermediate Bodies level
  - → Demand: Keep adequate records of the calculation method and be able to demonstrate basis of the calculation method
  - → Calculation error: correction proportionally to the mistake







# (3) Use of SCO Audit and control

- Correct application of unit cost will be checked at beneficiary level
  - Demand: Be able to document project results and verify quantities
  - → Outputs/results are not justified:full correction of unit costs paid









### **Questions/ Discussion**

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### Outcome WS and support needs

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### **Closing session**

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