

THE ENI CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION PROGRAMME

POLAND-BELARUS-UKRAINE 2014-2020

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I. Technical part

Article 77(2) of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 897/2014

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BO	Branch Offices
CBC	Cross-border Cooperation
CCP	Control Contact Point
CfP	Call for Proposals
EC	European Commission
ENI	European Neighbourhood Instrument
EU	European Union
FAF	Full Application Form (in case of restricted CfPs) or Application Form (open CfPs)
JMC	Joint Monitoring Committee
JOP	Joint Operational Programme
JPC	Joint Programming Committee
JTS	Joint Technical Secretariat
IR	Implementing Rules
LIP	Large Infrastructure Projects
MA	Managing Authority (Territorial Cooperation Department, Ministry of Economic Development, as of 12/01/2018 Ministry of Investment and Economic Development, as of 15/11/2019 Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy)
NA	National Authorities
Programme	Cross-border Cooperation Programme Poland-Belarus-Ukraine 2014-2020
PSC	Projects Selection Committee
RoP	Rules of Procedures
SL2014	Polish National Information System SL2014
TA	Technical Assistance

1. IDENTIFICATION

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2. KEEP DATABASE¹

The table with information on projects and calls is provided to the KEEP managers. The KEEP database has been filled in with data on the PBU 14-20 started projects:

<https://bit.ly/34UDZu5>

Information and statistics concerning calls organized within the Programme and projects selected is available on the Programme website under the links:

<https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/pages/283>

<https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/projects2020>.

3. OVERVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME

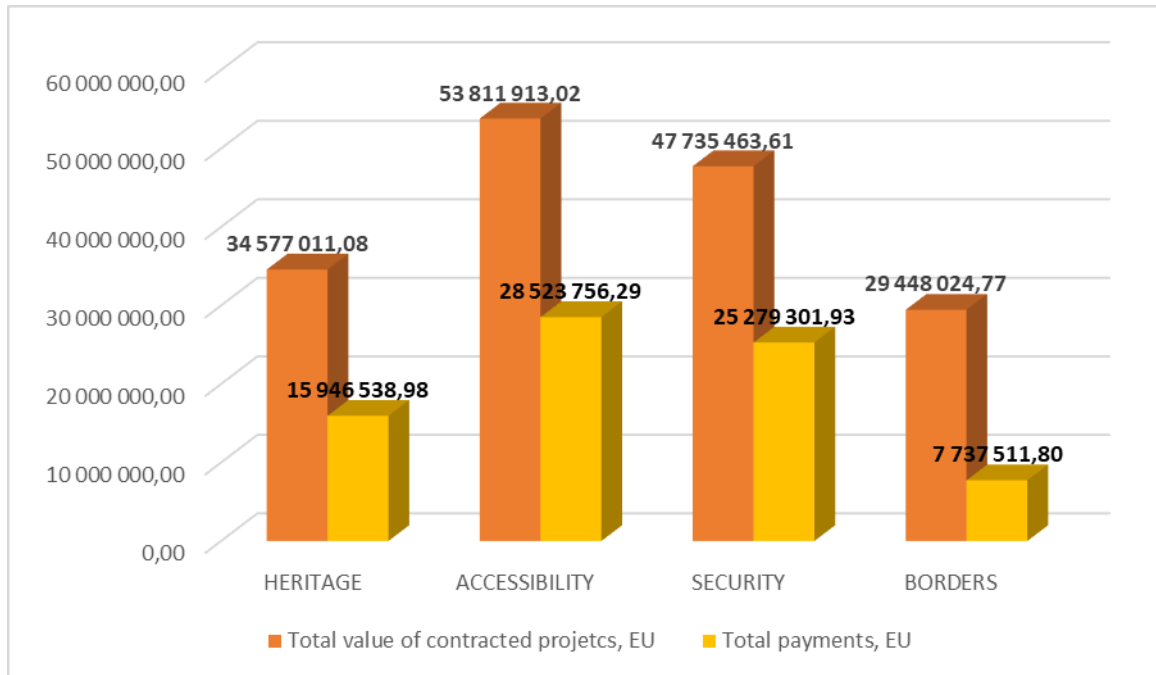
3.1 Executive summary

In the reporting period, the Programme entered into the advanced stage of implementation with all 10 LIPs and 63 regular projects from the 1st CfPs being implemented (one more regular project was signed in the beginning of July 2020) as well as 67 micro-projects within the 2nd CfPs (7 of the approved projects resigned from implementation) contracted, out of them 27 have started implementation of their activities.

The total amount of projects contracted by the end of the reporting period makes 186 340 939,74 EUR (with 165 572 412,48 EUR of EU-funding). The Programme budget allocation (EU-funding) to contracted projects and payments in division to specific thematic objectives is presented below:

¹ A limited number of statistics are requested from you in this report based on the assumption that most data are available in the KEEP database - hence the importance of maintaining KEEP up to date.

<http://www.keep.eu/keep/>



During the reporting period, the Programme launched the 3rd Call for Proposals (CfP). It was a complementary call for micro-projects under Thematic Objective HERITAGE and its both priorities. It lasted from the 15th November 2019 till 15th January 2020.

Basic figures for 3rd CfPs:

APPLICATION FORMS



APPLICATION FORMS BY PRIORITIES



178

144

Promotion of local culture and history

34

Promotion and preservation of natural heritage

Within the reporting period, the employees of the JTS performed administrative/eligibility/quality assessment of submitted applications. Considering the situation caused by the COVID-19 epidemic, members and observers of the Project Selection Committee were appointed by written procedure on 28th May 2020. As part of the 3rd CfPs under the remote procedure, the PSC agreed the Evaluation Report which included recommendations for the JMC regarding the projects selection. Due to the epidemiological situation, it was decided that the organization of the JMC meeting would not be possible and instead, projects co-financed within the 3rd CfP would be selected via written procedure.

In the reporting period, the Joint Programming Committee for the preparation of the Interreg NEXT programme was set up and met in October 2019. Due to the pandemic situation, further meetings and consultations over the 2021-2027 Programme edition were carried out online during whole period.

3.2 Progress achieved in implementing the Programme and its Priorities

Within the reporting period the following key performance indicators were achieved:

- Projects/beneficiaries:
 - 178 Application Forms were submitted within 3rd CfP;
 - 67 subsequent grant contracts for projects signed between the Managing Authority and the Lead Beneficiaries (142 grant contracts cumulatively from the beginning of the Programme implementation, 2 of them dissolved);
 - 26 projects financial reports submitted to the JTS (majority settled within the reporting period);
- Support for beneficiaries
 - 3 communication trainings-workshops for beneficiaries of the 2nd CfP (in each of the country);
 - On-line materials, FAQ section for beneficiaries of 1st CfP, 2nd CfP and LIPs;
 - On-line trainings on assessment and filling in the AF for applicants of the 3rd CfP;
- Modifications of the Programme documents:
 - the Programme Manual Part I was introduce;
 - Modification of the Guidelines on expenditure verification was introduce;
 - Supplement to Programme Manuals and Guidelines on expenditure verification was published for beneficiaries 1st CfP, 2nd CfP and LIPs;
 - MA and JTS internal procedures were adapted to the pandemic situation to minimalize negative impact of COVID-19;
- Allocation of additional 3 MEUR for the healthcare cross-border cooperation projects to support them in fighting the COVID-19 outbreak.

Results and outputs by thematic objective and priority

By the end of the reporting period 26 projects under implementation have submitted/settled their interim or final reports, therefore no progress in achievement of results and outputs indicators is to be reported.

TO Heritage – Promotion of local culture and preservation of historical heritage

Priority: Promotion of local culture and history

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Increased number of visitors of the historical heritage and cultural sites	Increased number of visitors of the historical heritage and cultural sites	[%]	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
			16,60			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			
Increased number of visitors of the historical heritage and cultural sites	Number of improved cultural and historical sites as direct consequence of programme support (ENI/CBC 7)	[cultural and historical sites]	0	0	0
		30			
	Number of cross-border cultural events organized using ENI support (ENI/CBC 8)	[events]	0	0	0
		97			

* as specified in the JOP or as measured before the 1st call for proposals

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Priority: Promotion and preservation of natural heritage

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Increased number of visitors of the natural heritage sites	Increased number of visitors of the natural heritage sites	[%]	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
			13,10			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			
Increased number of visitors of the natural heritage sites	Number of cross-border events organized using programme support	[events]	0	2	2
		63			
	Number of promoted and/or preserved natural sites as direct consequence of programme support	[natural sites]	0	0	0
		15			
	Number of persons participating in actions and awareness raising activities promoting preservation of natural heritage	[persons]	0	81	81
		5 993			

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TO Accessibility – Improvement of accessibility to the regions, development of sustainable and climate-proof transport and communication networks and systems

Priority: Improvement and development of transport services and infrastructure

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Decrease of travel/transportation time in the regions	Decrease of travel/transportation time in the regions	[%]	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
			7,50			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			
Decrease of travel/transportation time in the regions	Total length of newly built roads (ENI/CBC 26)	[km]	0,00	0,66	0,66
		5,60			

	Total length of reconstructed or upgraded roads (ENI/CBC 27)	[km]	0,00	33,10	33,10
		102,90			
	Number of districts benefitting from modernized/created transport services and infrastructure	[districts]	0	6	6
		28			
	Number of partnerships established in order to modernize/create the environmentally friendly transport systems or services	[partnerships]	0	4	4
		14			

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Priority: Development of ICT infrastructure

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Increase in usage of ICT	Increase in usage of ICT	[number of districts]	0	0	0	0
			18			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			
Increase in usage of ICT	Number of partnerships established in order to develop the ICT	[partnerships]	0	0	0
		7			

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TO Security – Common challenges in the field of safety and security

Priority: Support to the development of health protection and social services

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Enhanced access to health care and social services	Enhanced access to health care and social services	[%]	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
			36,20			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			
Enhanced access to health care and social services	Population covered by improved health services as direct consequence of the support (ENI/CBC 30)	[persons]	0	312 000	312 000
		7 890 573			
	Population benefiting from the newly created or improved social services	[persons]	0	0	0
		27 960			

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Priority: Addressing common security challenges

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Reduction of waiting time for safety and security services response	Reduction of waiting time for safety and security services response	[%]	13,20	0,00	0,00	0,00
			18,40			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			
Reduction of waiting time for safety and security services response	Population benefiting from fire protection measures services as direct consequence of the support	[persons]	0	1 812 877	1 812 877
		3 689 232			
	Number of security institutions	[security institutions]	0	14	14

	cooperating across the borders.	22			
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TO Borders – Promotion of border management and border security, mobility and migration management

Priority: Support to border efficiency and security

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Acceleration of passengers and cars border clearance	Acceleration of passengers and cars border clearance	[%]	39,50	0,00	0,00	0,00
			40,00			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			
Acceleration of passengers and cars border clearance	Number of border crossing points with increased throughput capacity (ENI/CBC 35)	[BCP]	0	0	0
		7			

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Priority: Improvement of border management operations, customs and visas procedures

Expected results*	Result Indicators (RI)*	RI units*	RI Baselines*	RI [1 st measure]**	RI [2 nd measure]**	RI [final measure]**
			RI Targets*			
Increased efficiency of border clearance	Increased efficiency of border clearance	[%]	32,50	0,00	0,00	0,00
			41,00			

Result Indicators (RI)*	Output indicators (OI)* (common OI to be included in grey shaded cells)	OI units*	OI [cumulative figure from previous reports]	OI [current report]	OI [Total cumulative figure]
		OI targets*			

			reports]		
Increased efficiency of border clearance	Increased throughput capacity of persons on land border crossing points (ENI/CBC 38)	[persons/ 24 hours]	0	0	0
		10 200			

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3.3 Problems and achievements reported by project applicants and beneficiaries

3.3.1 Summary of issues reported

In the reporting period all projects contracted within 1st CfP were within their implementation phases. By the end of reporting period no projects were closed, as 21 projects submitted their interim reports and received 2nd tranche of prefinancing. The main problems identified in projects were connected with COVID-19 pandemic. The requirement of social distancing, limitations regarding the public meetings and events and other introduced administrative anti-COVID measures significantly decreased the pace of projects implementation and resulted in numerous prolongations of projects' schedules.

In 2019, micro-projects contracted within 2nd CfPs stepped into their implementation phase. Till June 30th, 2020, 27 micro-projects began realization of their activities. No final reports have been submitted. The biggest problem that affected beneficiaries was COVID-19 pandemic and its restrictions which were especially visible in implementation of soft actions gathering larger number of participants.

Main issues reported by the beneficiaries were connected with COVID-19 pandemic:

- Administrative limitations regarding organisation of events and meetings,
- Temporarily closed borders and restrictions regarding traveling,
- Lack of workers due to illness and quarantines,

Additionally beneficiaries located in Poland reported problems connected with high prices on the building market which were significantly higher than prices calculated in project budgets on the stage of grant application.

Minor issues were reported by the applicants with relation to the e-application software usage.

Some beneficiaries complained about effects of the Ukrainian Administrative Reform and necessity of adaptation to new internal Belarusian regulations like changes in partnership composition or new project starting date.

3.3.2 Success stories

Although it was a difficult time for beneficiaries of micro-projects, mainly due to the pandemic situation (lack of possibilities to organise people-to people initiatives, limitations in participation

in public events, difficulties in crossing of the borders etc.), none of project leaders decided to resign from project's implementation from that reason. Many of them postponed the initial project start date or extended duration of micro-projects but also tried to implement their activities. Those who did not manage to start their projects in 2019, changed stationary events into on-line meetings, put more emphasis on virtual promotion (films, workshops, guides etc).

Those who started implementation of their micro-projects in 2019, simply follow the action plan. Beneficiaries managed i.a. with the marking out of bee trails and constructing of Hutsul authentic bees' hive, organising forum and concert of classical music dedicated to heritage of Cardinal Sapieha, organising conference informing about Ignacy Łukasiewicz and history of oil industry on Polish-Ukrainian borderland, preparation and inventory of cultural and natural heritage sites in order to create routes for 4 seasons, cross-border wooden architecture or culinary traditions.

3.4 Implementation of Large Infrastructure Projects (LIPs)

[Please provide an overview of large scale projects: describe the status of implementation of each project including the level of works undertaken (e.g. tenders launched/awarded, amounts contracted, works ongoing/certified, payments made to project partners, eligible expenditure accepted by MA, achievement of indicators etc.).]

Thematic objectives	Total amount for LIPs contracted	EU share of total amount for LIPs contracted	Total amount of eligible LIPs expenditure (EU share) accepted by the MA	Absorption rate % (total amounts)
TO1	24 560 000,00	21 744 000,00	3 960 924,51	18%
TO2	23 356 670,00	21 021 003,00	3 221 579,43	15%
TO4	10 400 000,00	9 360 000,00	0,00	0%

In the reporting period all 10 LIP projects were within their implementation phases. By the end of reporting period no projects were closed, as 4 projects submitted their interim reports and received 2nd tranche of prefinancing. The main problems identified in projects were connected with COVID-19 pandemic. The requirement of social distancing, limitations regarding the public meetings and events and other introduced administrative anti-COVID measures significantly decreased the pace of projects implementation.

LIPs state of play

LIP	Total amount for LIPs contracted	EU share of total amount for LIPs contracted	Total amount of eligible LIPs expenditure (EU share) accepted by the MA	Absorption rate %
PLBU.02.01.00-06-0004/17-00	6 800 000,00	5 760 000,00	2 719 909,53	47%
PLBU.02.01.00-14-0003/17-00	5 100 000,00	4 590 000,00		0%
PLBU.02.01.00-18-0001/17-00	7 500 000,00	6 750 000,00		0%
PLBU.02.01.00-BY-0007/17-00	5 160 000,00	4 644 000,00	1 241 014,98	27%
PLBU.03.01.00-UA-0010/17-00	6 400 000,00	5 760 000,00		0%
PLBU.03.01.00-UA-0018/17-00	6 450 000,00	5 805 000,00	2 147 166,89	37%
PLBU.03.02.00-BY-0006/17-00	4 506 670,00	4 056 003,00	1 074 412,54	26%
PLBU.03.02.00-UA-0008/17-00	6 000 000,00	5 400 000,00		0%
PLBU.04.01.00-20-0002/17-00	5 900 000,00	5 310 000,00		0%
PLBU.04.02.00-BY-0015/17-00	4 500 000,00	4 050 000,00		0%

Reference number: PLBU.02.01.00-18-0001/17-00

Title of the project: Extension/rebuilding of the regional road No. 885 Przemysl - Hermanowice - State Border in km 3+642 - 10+257

Lead Beneficiary: Podkarpackie Regional Road Management

Budget: 7 500 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 6 750 000.00 EUR (90%)

In the reporting period the contracts necessary for project implementation were concluded with STRABAG Spółka z o.o, Contract Engineer - KDI Sp. z o.o. Krosno., Project architects' supervision. On 03/09/2019, the construction site was officially handed over to the Contractor of construction works. Since signing the Agreement, the STRABAG has been carrying out the works under the Contract in the full range. Contractor completed construction designs - executive designs, preparatory works, works on the M1 and M2 bridges are underway, pavements, bus bays and road construction are under construction. During the construction works, archaeological sites were discovered. The first installment 2 362 500 EUR was paid on October 3, 2019.

Reference number: PLBU.04.01.00-20-0002/17-00

Title of the project: Construction of the infrastructure of the rail border crossing in Siemianowka

Lead Beneficiary: Podlaski Voivode

Budget: 5 900 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 5 310 000.00 EUR (90%)

In the reporting period the tender procedures for conducting construction works has been finalized and contract for construction works has been concluded. The implementation of the project is realized without delays. On 30/06/2020 the construction site was officially handed over to the Contractor of construction works. The construction work is well under way.

Reference number: PLBU.02.01.00-14-0003/17-00

Title of the project: Improvement of accessibility of the border region via upgrading of the regional road No. 698 including renovation of the bridge on the Toczna River in Losice

Lead Beneficiary: Mazowieckie Voivodeship (Województwo Mazowieckie)

Budget: 5 100 000,00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 4 590 000,00 EUR (90%)

In the reporting period the tender procedures for conducting construction works has been finalized and contract for construction works has been concluded. The implementation of the project is realized without delays. The construction work is in progress.

Reference number: PLBU.02.01.00-06-0004/17-00

Title of the project: Extension of the voivodeship road No 812 on the section Korolowka - Wlodawa

Lead Beneficiary: Lubelskie Voivodeship (Województwo Lubelskie)

Budget: 6 800 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 5 760 000.00 EUR (84,71%)

During the reporting period the value of the Grant Contract was decreased by 146 3000 EUR, at the same time the scope of the project was extended by purchasing of special equipment for road maintenance. The implementation of the project – construction works on the road No 812 is realized without delays. The construction work is well under way. The second instalment 2 880 000 EUR was paid on June 5, 2020.

Reference number: PLBU.03.02.00-BY-0006/17-00

Title of the project: Polish-Belarusian Cross-Border Safety. Strengthen of fire and rescue services potential

Lead Beneficiary: Brest Regional Department of the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Belarus

Budget: 4 506 670.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 4 056 003.00 (90%)

Within the reporting period a major part of the project has been finalized. Reconstruction of the fire station in Kamianets is completed. Modernization of the building of the Training and

Education Centre in Brest was done. A system for monitoring and forecasting of emergencies was created. An awareness-raising campaign is being conducted.

Reference number: PLBU.02.01.00-BY-0007/17-00

Title of the project: Improvement of border region road infrastructure ensuring sustainable access to the border region (modernization and construction of road P-16)

Lead Beneficiary: Public Unitary Enterprise of Motorway Roads "Brestautodor"

Budget: 5 160 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 4 644 000.00 (90%)

Modernization and construction works on the road P-16 have been in progress and are completed for 90%. Information on the project implementation was published in the newspapers and magazines. Section about the project has been created on the company's website http://www.brestavtodor.by/PL-BY-UA_2014-2020.

Reference number: PLBU.03.02.00-UA-0008/17-00

Title of the project: Establishment of the system of dynamic response to information of crimes and other events in Lviv

Lead Beneficiary: Lviv Regional Board of Administration of the National Police

Budget: 6 000 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 5 400 000.00 EUR (90%)

The project implementation in the reporting period was substantially delayed. Due to lack of the project implementation progress, the Joint Technical Secretariat organised a working meeting on the project implementing issues on 05.02.2020 in Lviv. Representatives of the Lead Beneficiary, National Police of Ukraine, Ukrainian National Authority and Managing Authority have participated in the meeting. During the meeting it was figured out that start of the project implementing depended on signature of Memorandum between the National Police of Ukraine, Lviv Oblast Council and Lviv Oblast State Administration on financing of balance amount between the Programme contribution and the total sum of pre-financing payments within the project. The respective Memorandum was signed on 28.02.2020. As of May 2020 the Lead Beneficiary has prepared tender documentation for adjusting of the design and estimate documentation for the completion of a new police administration building, preparation of design and estimate documentation for the reconstruction of 6 police stations in Lviv, tender documentation for the purchase of tablets, laptops, automated workstations, chest video recorders and equipped cars. However, the tender procedures have been postponed due to restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak.

Reference number: PLBU.03.01.00-UA-0010/17-00

Title of the project: Reducing of the risk of TB epidemic in the border areas of Ukraine and Poland through the construction of tuberculous hospital for 100 beds in Zakarpattya Oblast and introduction of innovative methods of tuberculous monitoring, prevention and treatment

Lead Beneficiary: Health Department of the Regional State Administration of Transcarpathian Region

Budget: 6 400 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 5 760 000.00 (90%)

In the reporting period the Lead beneficiary has prepared tender documentation for procurement of construction works. Beneficiary 1 (Frederic Chopin Regional Clinical Hospital No. 1 in Rzeszow) purchased a CT scanner and X-ray machine as well started to prepare premises for the X-Ray machine. The Beneficiary 2 (Communal nonprofit enterprise "Regional clinical phthisiopulmonology treatment and diagnostic center" of the Transcarpathian regional council) purchased and put into operation medical equipment, including a computer tomograph, digital ultrasound diagnostic system and 3 oxygen concentrators. Within the project the Beneficiaries purchased personal protection means necessary for the implementation of measures aimed at prevention of the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Lead Beneficiary submitted the Interim Project Progress Report to the JTS.

Reference number: PLBU.04.02.00-BY-0015/17-00

Title of the project: Construction of the relocatable X-ray scanning control system of vehicles at the border checkpoint Berestovitsa

Lead Beneficiary: Grodno Regional Custom House

Budget: 4 500 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 4 050 000.00 (90%)

With significant delay, the Lead Beneficiary finalized the design and estimate documentation. According to the concluded contract of 11/06/2020 the Contractor has begun construction, installation and commissioning works.

Reference number: PLBU.03.01.00-UA-0018/17-00

Title of the project: Improvement of the environment within the Shatsk National Natural Park by building sewer systems in rural settlements around Lake Svityaz

Lead Beneficiary: Shatsk District State Administration of Volyn Region

Budget: 6 450 000.00 EUR

ENI co-financing: 5 805 000.00 EUR (90%)

In the reporting period the project was being implemented in accordance with agreed schedule. The Interim Project Progress Report was approved and the second advance payment was transferred on 08.01.2020. The Lead Beneficiary continued construction of the sewer networks and sewage treatment plants.

3.5 Financial implementation (N/A)

Financial information should be provided in the Financial Part of the Annual Report.

3.6 Summary of non-substantial changes of the JOP

[Please provide a description of the non-substantial modification of the Joint Operational Programme, as approved by the Joint Monitoring Committee in the reporting period. This should correspond to the changes introduced to the programme via the programming module of the SFC2014 system.]

No such changes within the reporting period.

4. PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

4.1 Summary of main activities

➤ Main activities performed by JMC

During the reporting period, no JMC meeting was organized. However, the following important decisions were made via written procedures during the reporting period:

- The JMC approved the JPC Rules of Procedures for the 2021-2027 Interreg Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Programme;
- The JMC decided on Application Pack documents for the 3rd Cfp;
- The JMC approved the Final Implementation Report of the Programme 2007-2013;
- The JMC accepted version of the overall TA budget of the Programme together with modified TA sheets;
- The JMC approved allocation of Programme savings to increase response to the COVID-19 crisis situation within TO Security healthcare projects;
- The JMC approved the composition of the Project Selection Committee for the 3rd Cfp;
- The JMC approved framework procedure of introducing the COVID-19 epidemic related changes in the PBU projects.

The full list of the JMC decisions taken by the written procedures (approvals):

No.	LAUNCH DATE	END DATE	SUBJECT of the approved change/document
1.	12-08-2019	19-08-2019	Approval of the Guide on procurement rules applicable for service contracts
2.	05-09-2019	12-09-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0802/18
3.	11-09-2019	17-09-2019	Approval of the JPC Rules of Procedures - the 2021-2027 Interreg Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Programme
4.	25-09-2019	2-10-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.02.01.00-06-0004/17-00
5.	17-10-2019	22-10-2019	Approval of the Application Pack documents for the 3 rd Call for Proposals
6.	25-10-2019	4-11-2019	Approval of the Final Implementation Report of the Programme 2007-2013
7.	28-10-2019	31-10-2019	Approval of complementing the Programme Manual for the 2nd Call for Proposals
8.	4-11-2019	11-11-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0786/18
9.	7-11-2019	14-11-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0912/18

10.	15-11-2019	22-11-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.02.00-BY-0750/17-00
11.	19-11-2019	26-11-2019	Approval of changes in the projects no. PLBU.04.01.00-06-0505/17-00 and PLBU.04.01.00-06-0506/17-00
12.	19-11-2019	28-11-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0873/18
13.	26-11-2019	29-11-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0900/18
14.	28-11-2019	3-12-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0961/18
15.	29-11-2019	6-12-2019	Approval of changes in the Programme Manual part II
16.	3-12-2019	6-12-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0928/18
17.	5-12-2019	10-12-2019	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/0977/18
18.	16-12-2019	23-12-2019	Approval of the Accommodation & Travel Arrangements for Service Contracts
19.	23-12-2019	03-01-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.02.01.00-20-0039/17-00
20.	17-01-2020	22-01-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.02.00-20-0832/19-00
21.	23-01-2020	30-01-2020	Approval of changes in the LIP project no. PLBU.03.01.00-UA-0010/17-00
22.	31-01-2020	07-02-2020	Approval of the Annual Report of the ENI CBC Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Programme 2014-2020 for the period 1.07.2018 - 30.06.2019
23.	07-02-2020	12-02-2020	Approval of change in the project no. PBU2/0929/18
24.	07-02-2020	14-02-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-20-0824/19-00
25.	11-02-2020	14-02-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PBU2/1009/18
26.	06-03-2020	11-03-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.02.01.00-14-0104/17-01
27.	11-03-2020	18-03-2020	Approval of a modified version of the overall TA budget of the Programme together with modified TA sheets
28.	25-03-2020	27-03-2020	Approval of Supplement to Programme Manuals and Guidelines on expenditure verification regarding situation caused by COVID-19
29.	31-03-2020	03-04-2020	Approval of changes in the PBU Programme Manual Part I
30.	07-04-2020	10-04-2020	Prolongation of the project no. PLBU.02.01.00-18-0667/17-00
31.	10-04-2020	17-04-2020	Modification of the Auditors' Guidelines on expenditure verification
32.	15-04-2020	21-04-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-18-0307/17-00
33.	16-04-2020	22-04-2020	Prolongation of the project no. PLBU.02.01.00-18-0098/17-00
34.	16-04-2020	22-04-2020	Prolongation of the project no. PLBU.02.01.00-06-0056/17-00

35.	21-04-2020	24-04-2020	Approval of allocation of Programme savings to increase response to the COVID-19 crisis situation within TO Security healthcare projects
36.	22-04-2020	27-04-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.03.01.00-18-0668/17-00
37.	30-04-2020	06-05-2020	Prolongation of the project no. PLBU.04.02.00-06-0433/17-00
38.	04-05-2020	07-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-20-0856/19-00
39.	05-05-2020	08-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-20-0771/19-00
40.	05-05-2020	08-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-14-0909/19-00
41.	05-05-2020	08-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-UA-0925/19-00
42.	07-05-2020	12-05-2020	Approval of change in the project no. PLBU.01.02.00-06-0861/19-00
43.	11-05-2020	15-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-20-0985/19-00
44.	21-05-2020	26-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.02.00-18-0969/19-00
45.	21-05-2020	26-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-00-0807/19
46.	25-05-2020	28-05-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.01.00-18-0945/19
47.	25-05-2020	28-05-2020	Appointment of the members and observers of the Project Selection Committee - 3rd CfP
48.	28-05-2020	02-06-2020	Prolongation of the project no. PLBU.04.02.00-20-0062/17-00
49.	29-05-2020	03-06-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.02.01.00-14-0104/17-02 - project prolongation
50.	01-06-2020	04-06-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.01.02.00-20-0920/19-00
51.	09-06-2020	15-06-2020	Approval of extension of the project no. PLBU.03.02.00-06-0591/17-01
52.	15-06-2020	18-06-2020	Approval of anti COVID-19 modification - project no. PLBU.03.01.00-06-0142/17-00
53.	18-06-2020	23-06-2020	Approval of framework procedure of introducing the COVID-19 epidemic related changes in the PBU projects
54.	23-06-2020	26-06-2020	Approval of changes in the project no. PLBU.03.01.00-06-0041/17-01 i.e. anti Covid-19 and other project modification

Full list of the JMC written procedures is available on the Programme website at <https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/pages/328>.

➤ **Main activities of the MA undertaken in the reporting period:**

- preparation (with the assistance of the JTS-IB) Programme documents submitted for the approval of the JMC;

- overall co-ordination of the evaluation process of the project proposals submitted within the 3rd call for proposals and chairing the Project Selection Committee;
- handling complaints submitted by the applicants of the 3rd call for proposals;
- participation in events/seminars/workshops/meetings on the Programme implementation organized by TESIM, INTERACT, European Commission;
- participation in Programme events (JPC meeting, seminars and trainings for the applicants/beneficiaries);
- conducting risk assessment for the PL-BY-UA Programme;
- modification of the overall TA ENI budget for the years 2018-2024 and the MA and JTS TA sheets for the years 2018-2021 (in cooperation with JTS);
- contracting of the projects (1 project from the 1st call for proposal and projects from the 2nd call for proposal), signing addendums to the grant contracts;
- developing solutions for beneficiaries of PBU1, PBU2 and the LIPs in relation to COVID-19 epidemic threat;
- projects reports verification and paying out of the advance payments to the project beneficiaries;
- updating of the MA Procedure Manual;
- modification of the JTS Procedures Manual and approval of the amended version of the document;
- conducting a systemic control of the JTS's and Polish CCP's performance and realization of entrusted tasks;
- works regarding preparation of PBU programme 2021-2027 – preparation of documents and conducting JPC/NAs consultations regarding i.a. programme geography, thematic scope of the programme (objectives, priorities), rules for LIPs and microprojects, preliminary division of allocation;
- carrying out the open tender for experts to preparation of the new programme main assumptions

➤ **Main activities of the JTS and Branch offices**

During the reporting year the structure of the JTS has changed in relation to previous year and was reduced to 19 people.

With regard to the Programme 2014-2020 implementation the JTS was responsible for day-to-day implementation of the Programme and all standard activities related to that:

- contacts with the Programme institutions, applicants and beneficiaries;
- overlooking grant contracts' and service contracts' implementation;

- assisting beneficiaries of PBU1, PBU2 and the LIPs in implementation and communication of their activities;
- the Programme communication (full list of communication and promotional activities can be found in p. 4.4.1).

In that time JTS was and BOs were additionally concentrated on

- Assisting 3rd CfPs applicants by preparing on-line training on the Programme website, organizing individual consultations in Poland, Belarus and Ukraine
- Opening Conference for beneficiaries of the PBU2 in Białowieża (Poland) on 29-30th October 2019;
- Assisting beneficiaries of PBU1, PBU2 and the LIPs in relation to COVID-19 epidemic threat;

In the reported period, employees of the JTS assisted beneficiaries of the 1st CfP in the implementation of projects and events, communication activities, and provided individual consultations. Since the COVID-19 outbreak, the JTS additionally supports project beneficiaries in relation to difficulties caused by the pandemic. Numerous activities were introduced to diminish the effects of abrupt changes and minimize negative impact on the implementation of the Programme and projects.

With regard to the 2nd CfPs employees of the JTS continued the preparation of grant contracts providing numerous individual consultations to the beneficiaries of the selected projects. Additionally, the JTS organized trainings on communication activities in Poland, Belarus and Ukraine. Prior to the pandemic restrictions, 2 trainings on implementation took place in Ukraine, in March 2020, other planned activities had to be cancelled. After the COVID-19 outbreak, JTS employees provided support to project beneficiaries. Necessary materials on project implementation were prepared, the FAQ section on the Programme website was updated, numerous individual consultations on project implementation and communication obligations were provided.

In connection to the 3rd CfPs from mid-January 2020, employees of the JTS participated in the evaluation process of received application forms. Previously, the applicants received necessary assistance. Special online trainings on how to arrange the project and fill in the application form were prepared and available on Programme Youtube channel, numerous telephone and mail consultations were provided.

The JTS and BOs employees took active part (presentations, panels, information stands etc) in several events organised by national (Polish, Belarusian or Ukrainian) organizations, in some cases with co-organization and financing from the Programme TA (full list of these activities can be found in p. 4.4.1).

The JTS employees took part practically in all events organised in that time by TESIM and INTERACT that had any relations with the CBC ENI programme implementation and preparation of the NEXT Interreg programme.

In addition, several working meetings of the JTS staff with the BOs staff were organized regarding the Programme and projects related issues.

Besides, the JTS employees as usual took part in various trainings improving their professional qualifications as well as foreign languages skills.

The BOs in Poland, Belarus and Ukraine continued performing their tasks in the reporting period under the service contracts signed between them and MA. Main activities carried out by BOs, except for providing consultations regarding participation in the Programme and assistance to the JTS in daily tasks implementation, included:

- organization of the study-visit of Ukrainian local government representatives in Rzeszów, Krynica-Zdrój (Poland);
- co-organization of International Scientific Conference in Uzhhorod (Ukraine);
- co-organization of the Carpathian Days of Neighbourhood in Muczne (Poland);
- organization and assistance in conducting of communication trainings for projects within 2nd CfP (on Ukrainian side);
- assistance to the JTS in organization of most of the Programme events listed in the point 4.4.1;
- assistance to the JTS in translation, proof-reading of documents, drafting of news for Programme web-site;
- preparation of the Crossborderer.

Relating the preparation of the Interreg NEXT 2021-2027 Programme, following activities were carried out:

- Preparation of documents and materials for the JPC decisions;
- 1st meeting of the JPC PBU 2021-2027 (Warsaw);
 - selecting policy objectives;
 - confirming programme area;
 - public questionnaire on the thematic scope of the new Programme (held on the Programme website);
- Co-organization of MA / JTS – NA meetings;
- Participation in the Annual Interreg NEXT Conference and workshops organized by European Commission and Tesim;
- Development of the schedule, assumptions for implementation and application form of the Large Infrastructure Projects;
- Comments to the socio-economic analysis of the Programme area and first drafts of the programme document;
- Organization of second JPC meeting in the II quarter of 2020 – cancelled due to the pandemic;

➤ **Main activities of the CCPs and NAs**

The Belarusian and Ukrainian CCPs have maintained the list of auditors entitled to verify the project expenditures incurred by, respectively, Belarusian and Ukrainian beneficiaries. Some modifications were introduced to the list.

Polish CCP continued to authorise Polish auditors entitled to verify the project expenditures incurred by Polish beneficiaries.

Meeting between all three CCPs and JTS was organized in Lviv on 19th February 2020 to discuss all the current issues. Following that meeting, the Guidelines on Expenditure Verifications were updated to include all the agreed issues.

Problems related to the Programme management activities were not identified. Regular working contacts between the MA, JTS, BOs, CCPs and NAs can be assessed as very useful for managing the Programme.

The NAs of each participating countries were in close contact and cooperation regarding the Programme implementation issues.

The MA conducted another fraud risk analysis for the Programme with participation of the Polish NA (responsible for coordinating the programme management and control system) the JTS and Polish CCP. The analysis was carried out in line with the assumptions of the European Structural and Investment Funds Guidance for Member States and Programme Authorities “Fraud Risk Assessment and Effective and Proportionate Anti-Fraud Measures”. The analysis and meetings of the team take time on annual basis.

➤ **Main activities of the AA**

The Audit Authority carried out system audit at the level of Managing Authority and Joint Technical Secretariat, between December 2019 and January 2020. Results were presented in the Annual Audit Report.

In the reporting period, the AA carried out also audit of the implementation of the PBU 2007-2013 Programme.

4.2. Management of the calls for proposals

Within the 1st CfPs during the reporting period 2 projects resigned from implementation and terminated their grant contracts:

- PLBU.02.01.00-18-0303/17-00 Expansion of the regional road No. 867: section from Basznia Gorna to Horyniec Zdroj and road No C142010 Starychi – Szklo / Podkarpackie Regional Road Management (LB);
- PLBU.04.01.00-06-0505/17-00 Increasing openness of the Polish-Ukrainian border through the implementation of pedestrian and bicycle traffic at road border crossing point in Hrebenne / Lublin Executive Board for Maintenance of Border Crossings in Chelm (LB).

The main reason of resignation were the inability to conduct project infrastructural activities within current circumstances, mainly the significant growth of prices on building market and limited financial resources within projects' budgets.

Due to the termination of the above contracts and identified savings within the implementation of other projects the JMC took a decision to contract the project from reserve list:

- PLBU03.01.00-06-0217/17-00 The Borderland of Equal Treatment / Step by Step Association for Help to Disabled Children in Zamość (LB).

In the reporting period the project was under the contracting process (contract concluded on 14.07.2020).

Additionally as a response for COVID-19 crisis the JMC approved allocation of additional 3 MEUR for the healthcare cross-border cooperation projects to support them in fighting the pandemic outbreak. There are 12 projects (7 PL-BY, 4 PL-UA, 1 PL-BY-UA) involved including hospitals and social care centres, identified to purchase additional equipment or introduce new activities to better response to the crisis (while still implementing regular project activities).

Out of 3 MEUR, the projects have purchased among others:

- respirators,
- professional R- series defibrillator (support of the work of heart and lung function),
- modular intensive care units with ventilation module,
- video bronchoscope,
- oxygen humidifiers,
- ECG devices,
- resuscitator AMBU,
- cardio monitors,
- laryngoscope sets,
- pulse oximeters,
- sterilizers,
- mobile bactericidal irradiators,
- hospital beds and anti-bedsore mattress,
- diagnostic tests,
- as well as disinfectants and personal protection and other equipment and accessories needed to improve the functioning of medical facilities in the pandemic situation.

During the reporting period the process of signing of addenda increasing of value of the above medical projects were in progress.

Within 2nd CfPs, out of 74 micro-projects selected, 68 grant contracts have been signed between representatives of the MA and the lead beneficiaries. One micro-project resigned from its implementation and finally 67 projects decided to realize their ideas.

3rd Call for Proposals resulted in 178 Applications Forms. Requested ENI value amounted to 9.41 M EUR (more than 6 times bigger than allocation foreseen for the call). 415 applicants from three Programme countries representing 19 different types of institutions declared their

readiness for project implementation. The Project Selection Committee recommended 26 micro-projects for financing while other 11 projects were put on the reserve list.

Detailed information on the number of projects submitted and contracted from each priority, number of lead beneficiaries and their partners from all the regions etc. is illustrated in the below tables and map.

Table A: Projects by call and priority

Thematic objective HERITAGE		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
Promotion of local culture and history	Submitted	233	329 681 985,87	295 896 105,56	198	12 180 849,48	10 813 339,04	144	8 639 912,68	7 584 162,68	575	350 502 748,03	314 293 607,28
	Contracted	9	19 328 353,96	17 368 363,26	51	3 105 794,75	2 772 082,22	0	0	0	60	22 434 148,71	20 140 445,48
Promotion and preservation of natural heritage	Submitted	119	205 519 639,02	184 110 025,28	52	3 169 415,51	2 821 949,73	34	1 965 486,07	1 766 439,50	205	210 654 540,60	188 698 414,51
	Contracted	7	15 014 992,50	13 513 493,24	16	1 029 008,41	923 073,58	0	0	0	23	16 044 000,91	14 436 566,82
Total	Submitted	352	535 201 624,89	480 006 130,84	250	15 350 264,99	13 635 288,77	178	10 605 398,75	9 350 602,18	780	561 157 288,63	502 992 021,79
	Contracted	16	34 343 346,46	30 881 856,50	67	4 134 803,16	3 695 155,80	0	0	0	83	38 478 149,62	34 577 012,30

Table B: Projects by call and country of lead applicant/beneficiary

Thematic objective HERITAGE		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
POLAND	Submitted	264	417 055 253,51	374 497 725,47	161	10 026 188,45	8 855 259,44	117	7 054 229,74	6 274 942,45	542	434 135 671,70	389 627 927,36
	Contracted	13	27 940 506,94	25 119 300,94	41	2 605 114,84	2 319 255,39	0	0	0	54	30 545 621,78	27 438 556,33
BELARUS	Submitted	21	31 874 984,36	27 923 358,43	24	1 381 901,25	1 240 343,40	15	777 041,87	699 221,48	60	34 033 927,48	29 862 923,31
	Contracted	1	2 625 334,76	2 362 801,28	6	312 883,17	281 554,25	0	0	0	7	2 938 217,93	2 644 355,53
UKRAINE	Submitted	67	86 271 387,02	77 585 046,94	65	3 942 175,29	3 539 685,93	46	2 774 127,14	2 376 438,25	178	92 987 689,45	83 501 171,12
	Contracted	2	3 777 504,76	3 399 754,28	20	1 216 805,15	1 094 346,16	0	0	0	22	4 994 309,91	4 494 100,44
Total	Submitted	352	535 201 624,89	480 006 130,84	250	15 350 264,99	13 635 288,77	178	10 605 398,75	9 350 602,18	780	561 157 288,63	502 992 021,79
	Contracted	16	34 343 346,46	30 881 856,50	67	4 134 803,16	3 695 155,80	0	0,00	0,00	83	38 478 149,62	34 577 012,30

Table A: Projects by call and priority

Thematic objective ACCESSIBILITY		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
Improvement and development of transport services and infrastructure	Submitted	103	221 952 222,36	199 126 024,50	0	0	0	0	0	0	103	221 952 222,36	199 126 024,50
	Contracted	15	32 185 398,55	28 491 395,46	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	32 185 398,55	28 491 395,46
Development of ICT infrastructure	Submitted	22	22 593 888,06	20 296 284,63	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	22 593 888,06	20 296 284,63
	Contracted	1	2 628 780,46	2 365 902,41	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2 628 780,46	2 365 902,41
Total	Submitted	125	244 546 110,42	219 422 309,13	0	0	0	0	0	0	125	244 546 110,42	219 422 309,13
	Contracted	16	34 814 179,01	30 857 297,87	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	34 814 179,01	30 857 297,87

Table B: Projects by call and country of lead applicant/beneficiary

Thematic objective ACCESSIBILITY		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
POLAND	Submitted	94	188 643 681,41	169 643 053,70	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	188 643 681,41	169 643 053,70
	Contracted	13	29 329 702,67	25 921 269,16	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	29 329 702,67	25 921 269,16
BELARUS	Submitted	4	8 124 275,19	7 310 847,67	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	8 124 275,19	7 310 847,67
	Contracted	1	2 492 738,23	2 243 464,41	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2 492 738,23	2 243 464,41
UKRAINE	Submitted	27	47 778 153,82	42 468 407,76	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	47 778 153,82	42 468 407,76
	Contracted	2	2 991 738,11	2 692 564,30	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2 991 738,11	2 692 564,30
Total	Submitted	125	244 546 110,42	219 422 309,13	0	0	0	0	0	0	125	244 546 110,42	219 422 309,13
	Contracted	16	34 814 179,01	30 857 297,87	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	34 814 179,01	30 857 297,87

Table A: Projects by call and priority

Thematic objective SECURITY		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
Support to the development of health protection and social services	Submitted	172	303 913 003,25	273 060 652,68	0	0	0	0	0	0	172	303 913 003,25	273 060 652,68
	Contracted	13	23 997 610,99	20 311 335,26	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	23 997 610,99	20 311 335,26
Addressing common security challenges	Submitted	76	141 868 083,92	127 115 301,82	0	0	0	0	0	0	76	141 868 083,92	127 115 301,82
	Contracted	7	10 622 708,97	9 558 149,05	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	10 622 708,97	9 558 149,05
Total	Submitted	248	445 781 087,17	400 175 954,50	0	0	0	0	0	0	248	445 781 087,17	400 175 954,50
	Contracted	20	34 620 319,96	29 869 484,31	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	34 620 319,96	29 869 484,31

Table B: Projects by call and country of lead applicant/beneficiary

Thematic objective SECURITY		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
POLAND	Submitted	178	338 691 403,57	303 895 361,19	0	0	0	0	0	0	178	338 691 403,57	303 895 361,19
	Contracted	16	29 835 622,14	25 563 276,27	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	29 835 622,14	25 563 276,27
BELARUS	Submitted	14	19 561 930,92	17 565 580,02	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	19 561 930,92	17 565 580,02
	Contracted	1	1 104 148,80	993 733,92	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1 104 148,80	993 733,92
UKRAINE	Submitted	56	87 527 752,68	78 715 013,29	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	87 527 752,68	78 715 013,29
	Contracted	3	3 680 549,02	3 312 474,12	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3 680 549,02	3 312 474,12
Total	Submitted	248	445 781 087,17	400 175 954,50	0	0	0	0	0	0	248	445 781 087,17	400 175 954,50
	Contracted	20	34 620 319,96	29 869 484,31	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	34 620 319,96	29 869 484,31

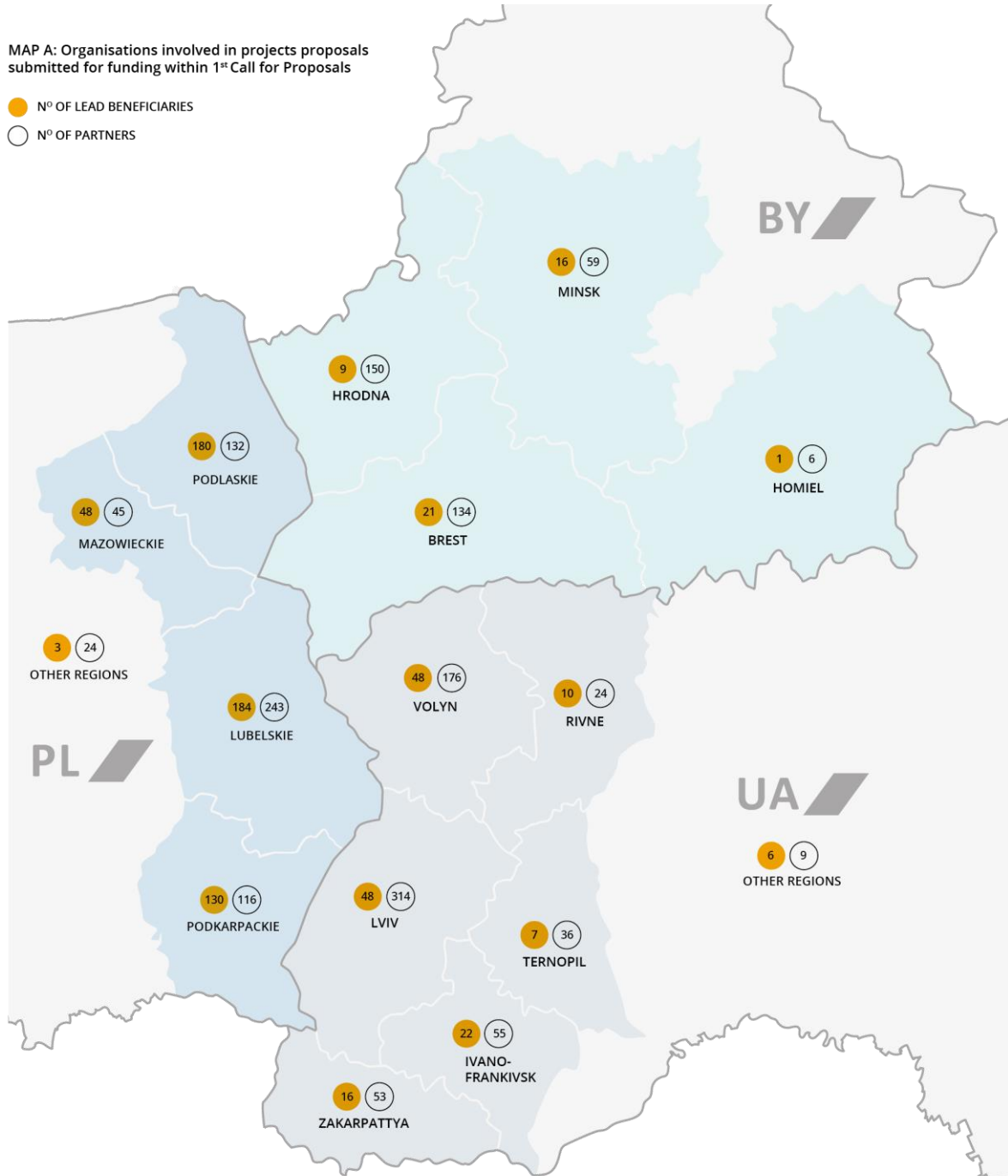
Table A: Projects by call and priority

Thematic objective BORDERS		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
Support to border efficiency and security	Submitted	13	17 729 707,00	15 955 929,60	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	17 729 707,00	15 955 929,60
	Contracted	6	9 455 982,40	8 510 383,96	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	9 455 982,40	8 510 383,96
Improvement of border management operations, customs and visas procedures	Submitted	11	15 466 956,76	13 920 260,28	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	15 466 956,76	13 920 260,28
	Contracted	6	10 092 912,44	9 078 656,26	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	10 092 912,44	9 078 656,26
Total	Submitted	24	33 196 663,76	29 876 189,88	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	33 196 663,76	29 876 189,88
	Contracted	12	19 548 894,84	17 589 040,22	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	19 548 894,84	17 589 040,22

Table B: Projects by call and country of lead applicant/beneficiary

Thematic objective BORDERS		Call n°1			Call n°2			Call n°3			Total		
		N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant	N° of projects	Total budget	EU grant
POLAND	Submitted	9	14 723 630,76	13 251 267,28	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	14 723 630,76	13 251 267,28
	Contracted	5	8 213 882,14	7 387 528,99	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	8 213 882,14	7 387 528,99
BELARUS	Submitted	8	4 563 721,00	4 106 542,60	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	4 563 721,00	4 106 542,60
	Contracted	3	1 578 238,00	1 420 414,00	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1 578 238,00	1 420 414,00
UKRAINE	Submitted	7	13 909 312,00	12 518 380,00	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	13 909 312,00	12 518 380,00
	Contracted	4	9 756 774,70	8 781 097,23	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	9 756 774,70	8 781 097,23
Total	Submitted	24	33 196 663,76	29 876 189,88	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	33 196 663,76	29 876 189,88
	Contracted	12	19 548 894,84	17 589 040,22	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	19 548 894,84	17 589 040,22

Map A: Organisations involved in projects proposals submitted for funding within 1st CfPs



Map B: Organisations involved in grant contracts within 1st CfPs

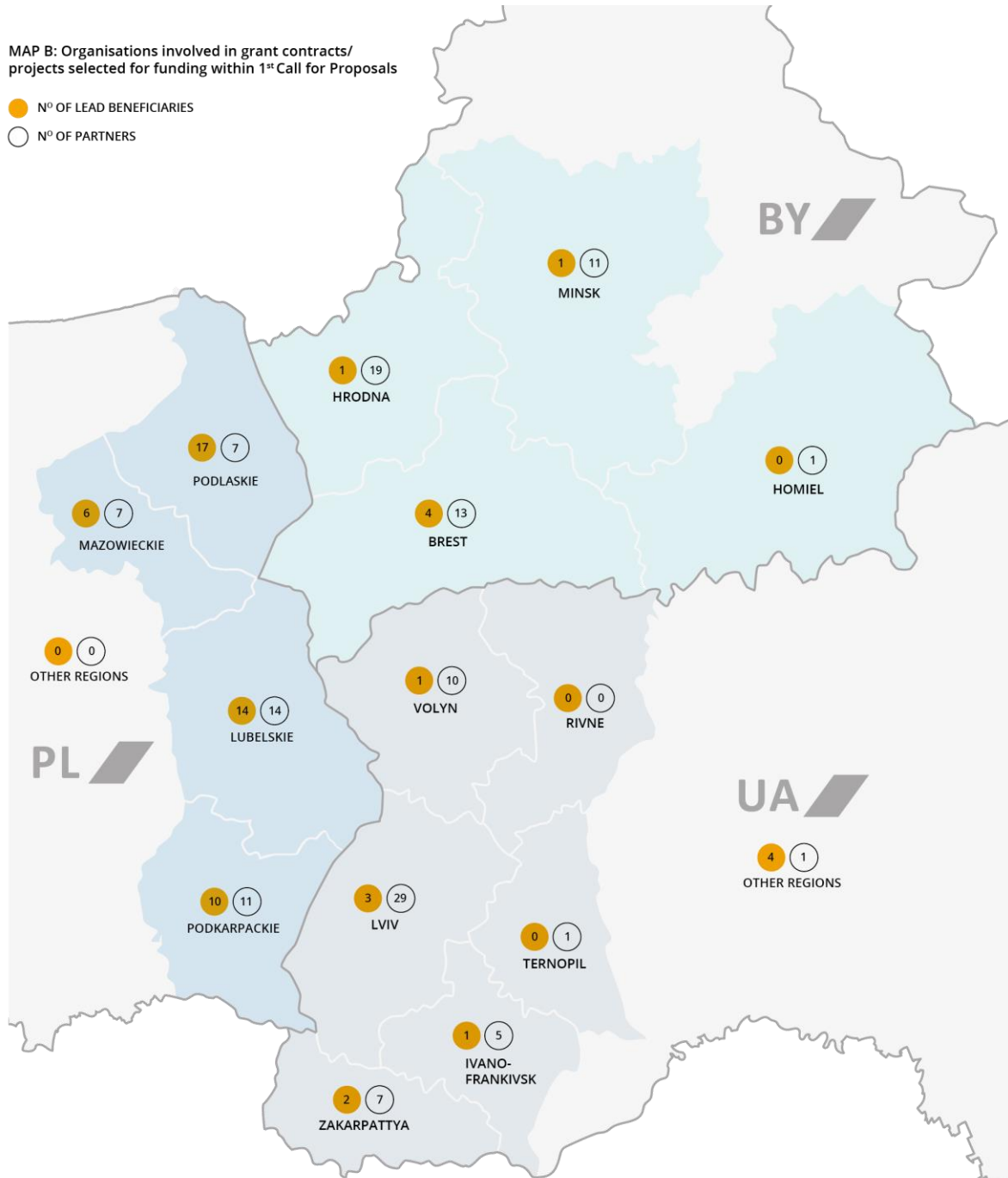
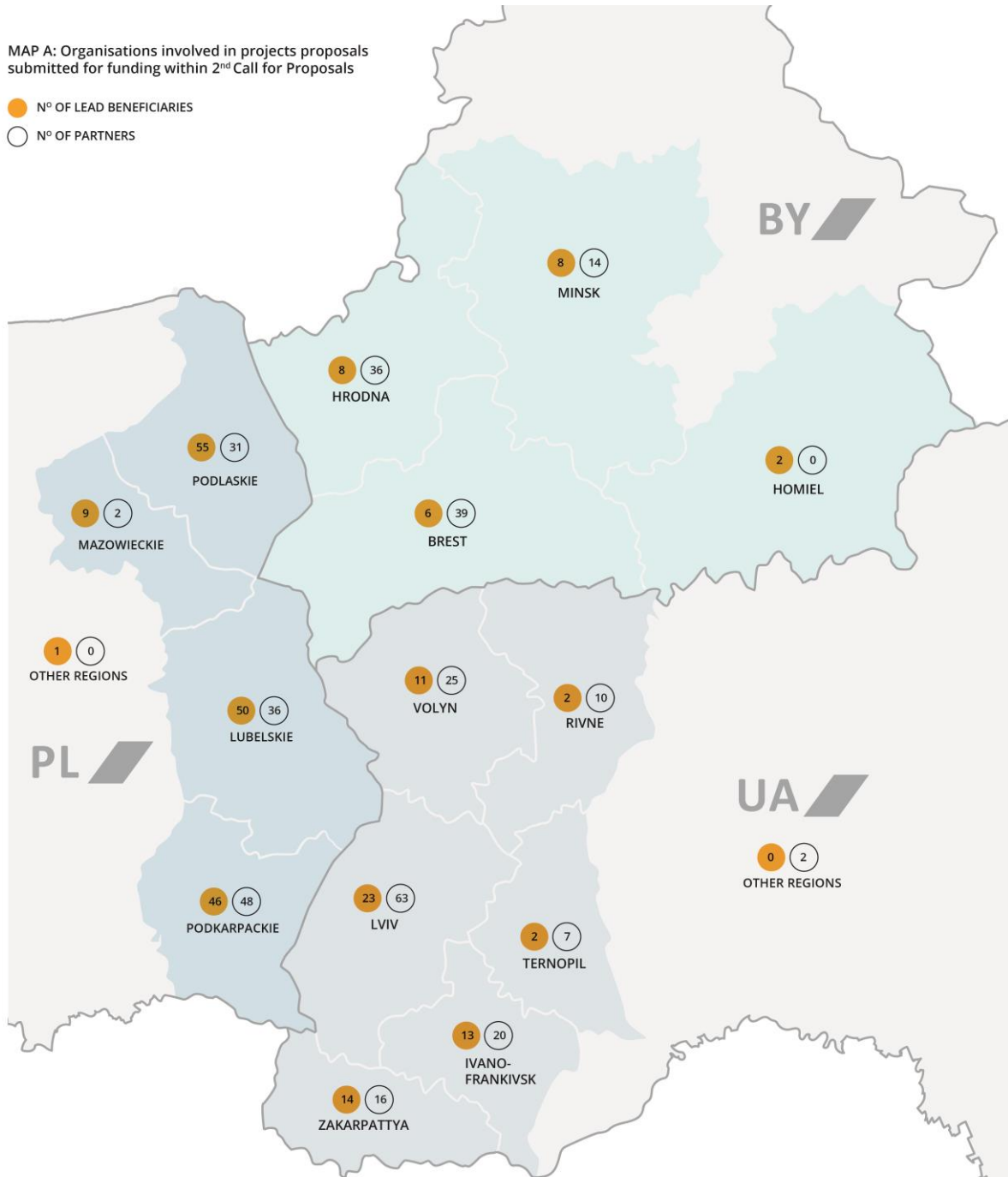


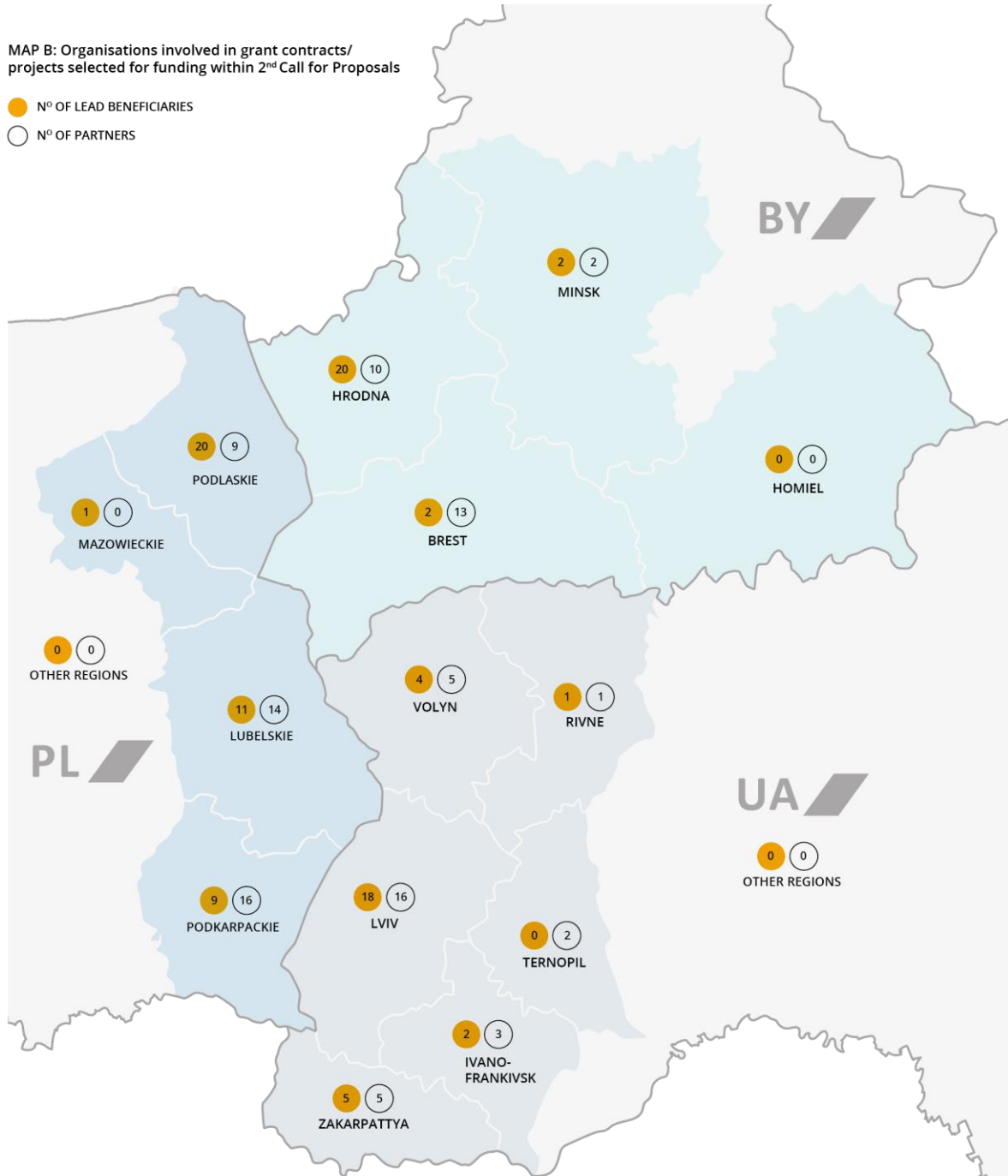
Table C: Organisations involved in projects proposals submitted for funding and in grant contracts – 1st CfPs

Country	Eligible regions	N° of Lead applicants	N° of partners	N° of lead beneficiaries	N° of partner beneficiaries
POLAND	Lubelskie	184	243	14	14
	Mazowieckie	48	45	6	7
	Podkarpackie	130	116	10	11
	Podlaskie	180	132	17	7
	Other regions	3	24	0	0
BELARUS	Brest	21	134	4	13
	Homiel	1	6	0	1
	Hrodna	9	150	1	19
	Minsk	16	59	1	10
UKRAINE	Ivano-Frankivsk	22	55	1	5
	Lviv	48	314	3	29
	Rivne	10	24	0	0
	Ternopil	7	36	0	1
	Volyn	48	176	1	10
	Zakarpattya	16	53	2	7
	Other regions	6	9	4	1
TOTAL		749	1 576	64	135

Map A: Organisations involved in projects proposals submitted for funding within 2nd CfPs



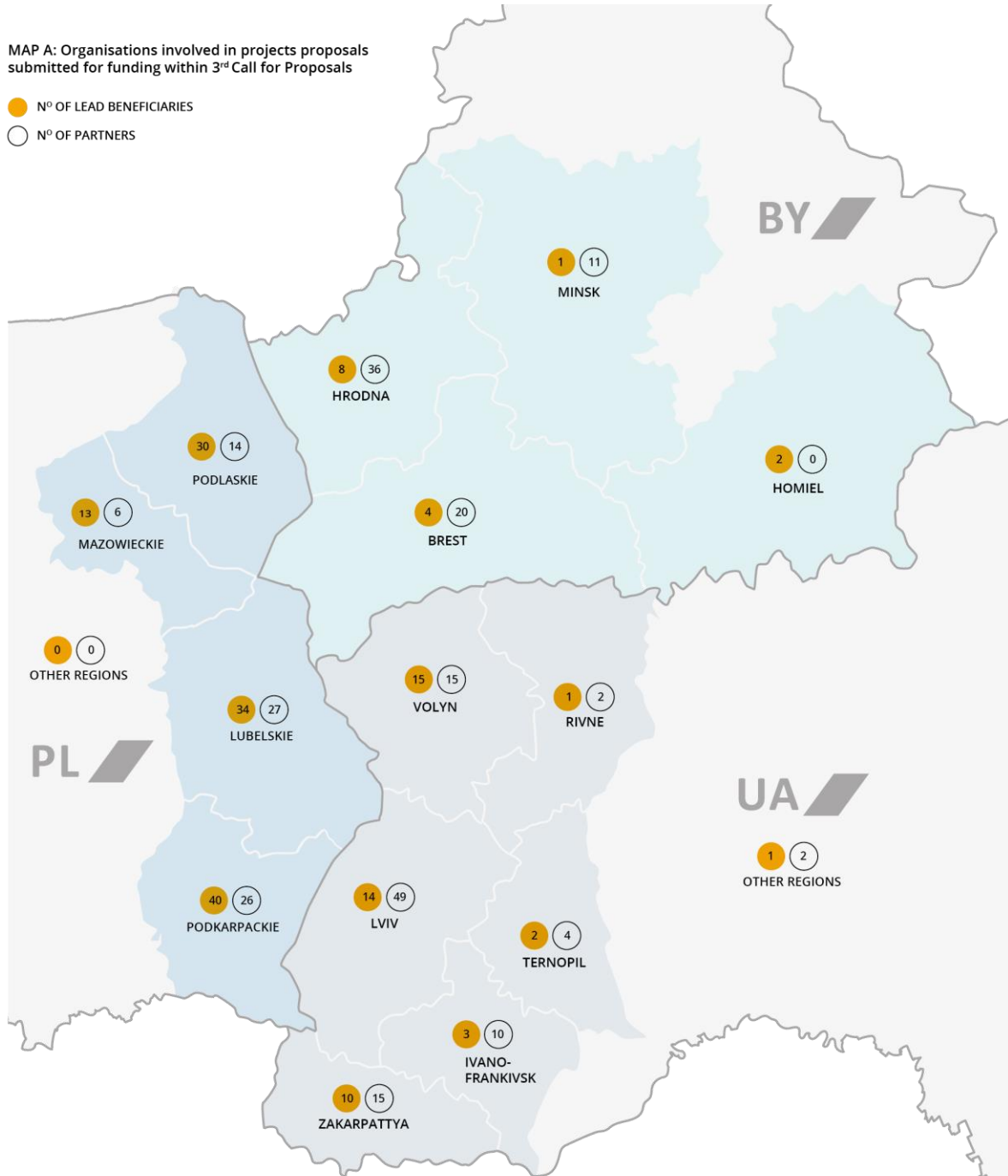
Map B: Organisations involved in grant contracts within 2nd CfPs



**Table C: Organisations involved in projects proposals submitted for funding and in grant contracts
– 2nd CfPs**

Country	Eligible regions	N° of Lead applicants	N° of partners	N° of lead beneficiaries	N° of partner beneficiaries
POLAND	Lubelskie	50	36	11	14
	Mazowieckie	9	2	1	0
	Podkarpackie	46	48	9	16
	Podlaskie	55	31	20	9
	Other regions	1	0	0	0
BELARUS	Brest	6	39	2	13
	Homiel	2	0	0	0
	Hrodna	8	36	2	10
	Minsk	8	14	2	2
UKRAINE	Ivano-Frankivsk	13	20	2	3
	Lviv	23	63	8	16
	Rivne	2	10	1	1
	Ternopil	2	7	0	2
	Volyn	11	25	4	5
	Zakarpattya	14	16	5	5
	Other regions	0	2	0	0
TOTAL		250	350	67	96

Map A: Organisations involved in projects proposals submitted for funding within 3rd CfPs



Map B: Organisations involved in grant contracts within 3rd CfPs

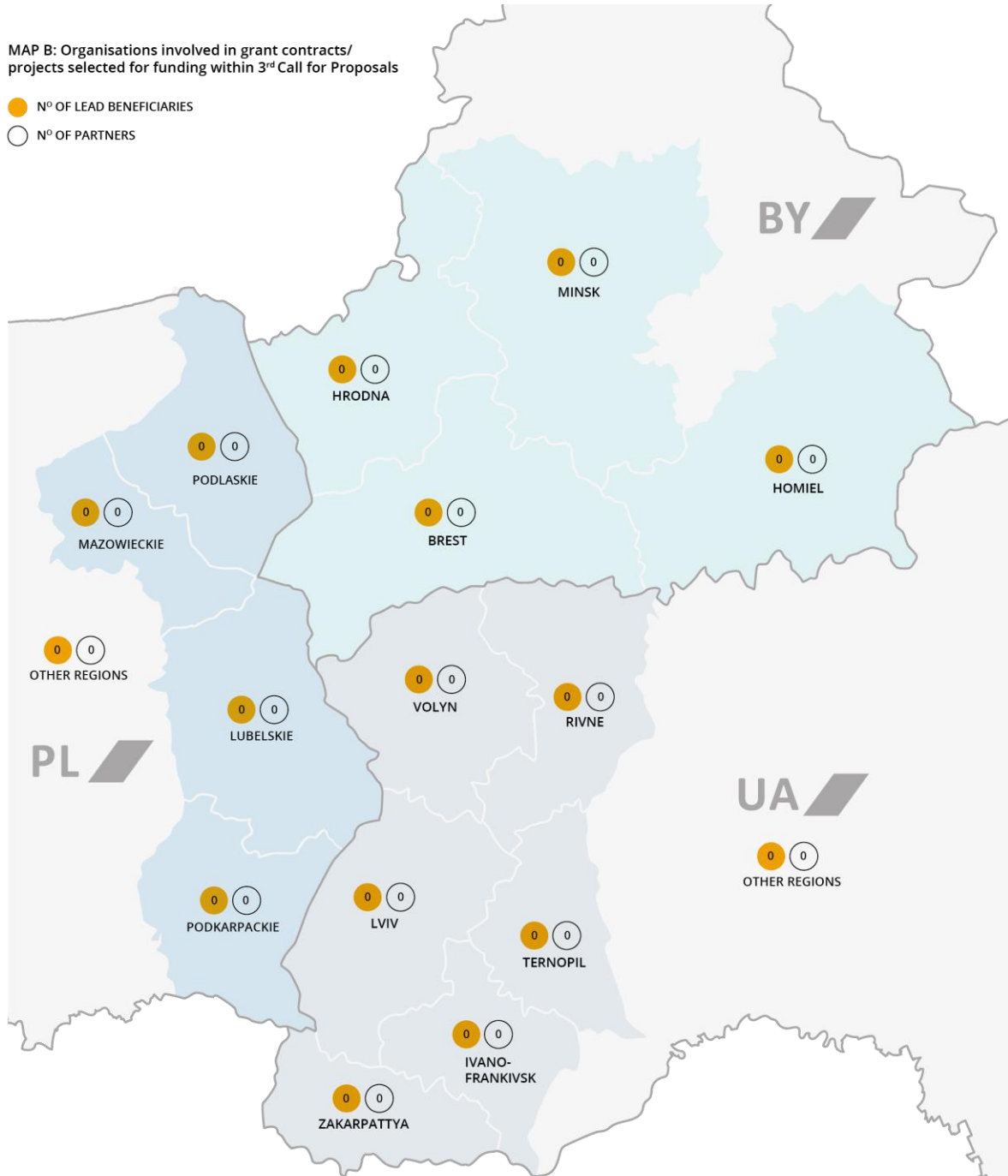


Table C: Organisations involved in projects proposals submitted for funding and in grant contracts – 3rd CfPs

Country	Eligible regions	N° of Lead applicants	N° of partners	N° of lead beneficiaries	N° of partner beneficiaries
POLAND	Lubelskie	34	27	0	0
	Mazowieckie	13	6	0	0
	Podkarpackie	40	26	0	0
	Podlaskie	30	14	0	0
	Other regions	0	0	0	0
BELARUS	Brest	4	20	0	0
	Homiel	2	0	0	0
	Hrodna	8	36	0	0
	Minsk	1	11	0	0
UKRAINE	Ivano-Frankivsk	3	10	0	0
	Lviv	14	49	0	0
	Rivne	1	2	0	0
	Ternopil	2	4	0	0
	Volyn	15	15	0	0
	Zakarpattya	10	15	0	0
	Other regions	1	2	0	0
TOTAL		178	237	0	0

4.3 Monitoring and evaluation (max 2 page)

As a general rule, monitoring system for the Programme is based on the information received from the beneficiaries, who are obliged by the Grant Contract to submit narrative and financial reports to the JTS. The system is based on narrative and financial reports submitted together with payment requests as well as start-up reports and six-months brief narrative reports (in case of regular projects) and brief reports covering half of project implementation period in case of micro-projects, submitted independently from the payment requests. Data received from beneficiaries is compiled at the Programme level in order to prepare annual Programme implementation report and other monitoring information. Additionally, the JTS is authorized to conduct on-the-spot checks and monitoring visits during projects implementation. These activities are conducted in accordance with the yearly plan of checks and ad hoc, if necessary.

During the reporting period the JTS received 153 brief narrative reports (from 1st CfP and LIP projects) covering the periods of six months of projects implementation and 10 brief reports covering half of micro-project implementation period. The reports indicated proper project realisation in majority of projects, however minor delays in part of projects connected with their launching phase and COVID-19 pandemic were also observed.

During the reporting period 21 interim reports from 1st CfP and 4 interim reports from LIPs projects were submitted, verified and approved. In result the beneficiaries received 2nd tranches of pre-financing.

Due to the early stage of projects implementation no on-the-spot checks were conducted. First checks are planned to be performed in the 2nd part of 2020. As none of micro-project has been completed within reporting period, no final report has been submitted to the JTS.

Data on signed contracts are included in SL2014 (Polish national IT system for programmes/projects management) for monitoring purposes and provided to KEEP database.

4.4. Technical Assistance activities: Information and communication activities

4.4.1 List of information and communication activities from 1st July to 31st December 2019

Aim of the activity (specific objective)	Target group	Tool	Activity and location	Output (value)	OI Target value	Result (cumulative value)	RI Target value	Timing	Resp body	Measures to ensure EU visibility
Assisting Programme applicants/beneficiaries										
To assist beneficiaries in projects' promotion. To promote the Programme using projects activities.	Programme beneficiaries , Programme stakeholders , General audience	Online activities: News, Cycles – Project of the week, Project stories	Assisting Programme beneficiaries in projects and events implementation. http://pbu2020.eu/en/news/1309 http://pbu2020.eu/en/news/1294 http://pbu2020.eu/en/news/1223	Publication of up-to-date information's	Approx. 19 news on the Programme website	Beneficiaries, Programme stakeholders, general audience informed about the projects and Programme	20% of new audience and 60% of beneficiaries informed about the projects and Programme	Continuously	JTS	EU flag and logo highly visible; EU contribution to the projects indicated
To assist beneficiaries in projects' promotion	Programme beneficiaries of all CfPs	Consultations	Organization and providing consultations. Phone, e-mail.	Consultations delivered in all three countries	Consultation given; Numerous supported beneficiaries	Increased knowledge of project beneficiaries on importance of the communication obligation;	70% of beneficiaries improved their knowledge in regard to communication obligation;	Continuously	JTS, BOs	Visibility according to the requirements

						on activities	clarified doubts			
To inform and support beneficiaries of the projects	Programme beneficiaries of all CfPs	Guidelines useful materials	Preparing and publishing additional guidelines on Programme website https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1342 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1239	Additional guidelines, materials and documents available on the Programme website	Approx. 8 news on the Programme website and other published materials	Beneficiaries prepared for various changes in Programme requirements	60% of beneficiaries improved their knowledge in regard to introduced changes	Continuously	JTS, BOs	EU logo used in all documents, guidelines materials
To show the importance of the grant award decision and grant contracts. To promote the Programme.	2 nd CfPs beneficiaries, local stakeholders, general public	Official signature of grant contracts	Participating in the grant contract signature during the event organized by other entities https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1172	Information about the signed grant contracts	1 official GC signed during the event, 1 news of the Programme website	Promotion of the projects financed by the Programme, general public informed about the Programme	20% of new audience and 60% of beneficiaries informed about the importance of the grant contract decision	04.09.2019	JTS	EU flag and logo highly visible during the event; Other elements of visibility according to the requirements
To train on the communication requirements, how to correctly	2 nd CfPs beneficiaries	Trainings on communication	Organizing the trainings in Poland, Belarus and Ukraine https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1289	Trainings, presentations, workshops	3 organized trainings; Number of participants:	Show importance and possible impact of the communication	70% of beneficiaries improved their knowledge	November 2019	JTS, BOs	EU flag and logo highly visible during the

communicate in and out of the project			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hrodna – 12.11.2019 • Lublin – 21.11.2019 • Lviv – 22.11.2019 		<p>Hrodna – 31</p> <p>Lublin – 30</p> <p>Lviv – 48</p>	on activities	on communication issues; Beneficiaries informed about methods and channels of proper communication			<p>event;</p> <p>EU contribution to the programme highlighted in presentations;</p> <p>Other elements of visibility according to the requirements</p>
To inform potential applicants on requirements of the 3 rd Call for Proposals	Potential applicants of the 3 rd CfPs	Guidelines, useful materials	<p>Assisting 3rd CfPs (potential) applicants</p> <p>https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1276</p> <p>https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1316</p>	Additional guidelines, materials available on the Programme website news	<p>6 news of the Programme website with information and additional guidelines,</p> <p>2222 email to institutions and organizations as a part of informative campaign, 3</p>	Potential applicants of the 3 rd CfPs inform about the requirements and procedures	60% of potential applicants improved their knowledge in regard to 3 rd CfPs requirements and procedures	III/IV quarter of the year	JTS, BOs	EU logo used in all documents, guidelines materials

					information on the radio					
To inform and train on the assessment procedure within the 3 rd Call for Proposals; sharing of information and knowledge	Potential applicants of the 3 rd CfPs	On-line video training	Recording and publishing the on-line video training on assessment https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1334	Tutorial, on-line video trainings	3 video trainings on Programme YouTube (available in Polish, Russian, Ukrainian)	Potential applicants informed and trained on assessment procedure	Number of persons that have participate in trainings: PL – 208 BY – 159 UA – 170	December 2019	JTS	Presence of the EU flag and logo; Amount of EU contribution to programme properly emphasised
To inform on how to fill in the AF within the 3 rd Call for Proposals; sharing of information and knowledge	Potential applicants of the 3 rd CfPs	On-line video training	Recording and publishing the on-line video training on filling in the Application Form https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1346	Tutorial, on-line video trainings	3 video trainings on Programme YouTube (available in Polish, Russian, Ukrainian)	Potential applicants informed and trained on filling in the Application Form	Number of persons that have participate in trainings: PL – 196 BY – 245 UA – 130	December 2019	JTS	Presence of the EU flag and logo; Amount of EU contribution to programme properly emphasised
To provide technical	Potential applicants of	Consultatio	Organization and providing	Consultations delivered in all	Numerous consultation	Potential applicants	70% of potential	IV quarter	BOs	Visibility according

advice focusing on descriptive, financial and communication issues	the 3 rd CfPs	ns	consultations. Individual consultations. Phone, e-mail and in the JTS/BOs premises in Warsaw, Rzeszów, Brest, Lviv https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1339	three countries	provided: individual, by phone, email Number of persons that have received consultations: BY – 6 PL – 8	informed about requirements and clarified doubts	applicants improved their knowledge on descriptive, financial and communication issues	of the year		to the requirements
Inspiring young generation										
To reach new youth audience and communicate values of the CBC Programme	Young generation, general public	ECDay campaign	Preparation and delivering events within the ECDay campaign <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDay Final Event in Rzeszów, Poland https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1199 Friendly match in Lviv, Ukraine https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1242 Open Day in Brest, Belarus https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1254 	ECDay events for youth	3 organized events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final challenge and sport event in Rzeszów; 2 matches in Lviv; Lecture on CBC projects in Brest; Visit to the 'fire' museum; 9 artworks on the topic 'Europe is You' Produced promotional	General public informed about the Programme young generations from neighbouring countries brought together (during final of school competition)	Number of participants: UA – 87 PL – 50 BY – 50	11-14.09.2019 27.09.2019 28.09.2019	BOs	EU flag and logo highly visible during the event; Other elements of visibility according to the requirements

					gadgets; Photo documentation; Promotional movie					
Attracting new audience & promoting the concept of cross-border cooperation to the general audience										
ACTING AS ORGANISER										
Sharing best practices in applying for EU funds for local development, capitalising, networking, building of future cross-border partnerships between Polish and Ukrainian institutions	Ukrainian local government representatives	Study-visit	Organization of the study-visit, Rzeszów-Krynica Zdrój, Poland https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1186	Study-visit for representatives of Ukrainian regional self-governments in Poland	1 organized event; 4 days study-visit; Number of participants: 15	Supporting institutional development , sharing knowledge and building of partnership, capitalising	Best practices shared among the participants, 80% of participants improved their knowledge in regard to the subject	2-6.09.2019	RBO	EU flag and logo highly visible during the event; EU contribution to the programme highlighted in presentations and during visits to the projects

<p>Bringing scientific environment from three countries together. Analysing topic of importance to the Programme</p>	<p>Scientists, academics from Poland, Ukraine and Belarus, audience interested in the subject</p>	<p>Scientific Conference</p>	<p>Preparation and delivering the conference informing about the Programme "Security of the area covered by the Cross-border Cooperation Programme Poland-Belarus-Ukraine" – Uzhhorod, Ukraine</p> <p>https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1280</p>	<p>Scientific conference, analysis in the form of abstracts and articles</p>	<p>1 organized event; 2 days conference; Number of participants: PL – 27 BY – 15 UA – 110; Number of applications with short abstract received:146</p>	<p>Exchange of experiences and ideas regarding the subject of the conference. Capitalisation and popularization of the knowledge on the Programme achievements in this manner</p>	<p>Scientific analysis on the Programme aspects regarding the subject of the conference; 10 articles delivered; 10 lectures delivered; 1 publication on the topic with articles published</p>	<p>23-25.10.2019</p>	<p>JTS, LBO</p>	<p>EU flag and logo highly visible during the event; Other elements of visibility according to the requirements</p>
<p>To teach the beneficiaries about the Programme and project implementation, to get to know each other, to establish relations</p>	<p>PBU2 beneficiaries Programme bodies media</p>	<p>Opening conference for the PBU2 projects</p>	<p>Preparation of the Opening Conference for PBU2 micro-projects in Białowieża, Poland</p> <p>https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1287</p>	<p>Opening Conference for PBU2 micro-projects</p>	<p>1 organized event; 3 lectures delivered; 2 team-building workshops provided; Number of participants:</p>	<p>The beneficiaries get to know each other's, built relations, shared the knowledge/best practices, experiences and ideas</p>	<p>90% of beneficiaries improved their knowledge on project implementation and were willing to share their</p>	<p>29-30.10.2019</p>	<p>JTS</p>	<p>EU flag and logo highly visible during the event and in brochures presentations and other</p>

					over 120	regarding the implementation of projects	previous experiences, 90% built friendly relations			promotional materials; Other elements of visibility according to the requirements
Bridging journalists and beneficiaries from three countries. Analysing topic of importance to the Programme thematic objectives. Informing about the Programme, attracting new audience.	Beneficiaries, journalists, audience interested in the subject and the Programme	Forum of Journalists	Preparation of the Forum of Journalists within Cross-border Academy of Development, Lutsk, Ukraine https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1362	Organization of the event for Journalists, gaining interest of media	1 organized event; 2 days event; Number of participants: PL – 10 BY – 16 UA – 80	Journalists and beneficiaries brought together to share or gain knowledge about the projects and Programme	106 journalist encouraged to cooperate with Programme and inform the general audience about the projects' results	16-18.12.2019	JTS BOs	EU flag and logo highly visible during the event and in brochures presentations and other promotional materials; Other elements of visibility according to the

										requirements
ACTING AS CO-ORGANISER										
To capitalize and show the potential of the Programme and its importance to the cooperation between PL and UA institutions across the Carpathians	Stakeholders and beneficiaries of the Programme, general audience	Events organized by the other entities	Co-organization of the Conference Carpathian Days of Neighbourhood in Muczne, Poland https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1137	Co-organization of the event, presentation of the PBU projects implemented in the Carpathian regions	1 organized panel discussion; Presentation of the PBU projects; Study visit in the Transcarpathian Region organized within the event; Presentation provided; Information stand organized; Promotional materials provided; Number of participants:	General audience informed about the Programme and projects implemented within the Carpathian region, Capitalisation between “Carpathian projects”	60% of event participants improved knowledge on PBU “Carpathian projects” Stronger cooperation between the PL and UA institutions across the Carpathians.	8-10.08.2019	RBO JTS	EU flag and logo highly visible during the event and in brochures presentations and other promotional materials; Other elements of visibility according to the requirements

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To promote and inform about the Programme, to discuss the issues regarding socio-economic development in the context of cross-border cooperation within the future Programme	Stakeholders and beneficiaries of the Programme, general audience	Events organized by the other entities	Co-organization of the event XX International Scientific Conference "Problems of forecasting and state regulation of socio-economic development" in Minsk, Belarus https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1272	Co-organization of the event, showing the importance of cross-border cooperation as a factor for regions' development	Polish-Belarusian round table organized; Discussion established; Presentation provided; Brest and Hrodna Oblast beneficiaries shared experiences; Number of participants: 337	Exchange of experiences and ideas regarding the subject of the conference. The participants shared their position on the matter of the new Programme and its priorities.	60% of participants improved knowledge on importance of cross-border cooperation as a factor of socio-economic development	17-18.10.2019	BBO JTS	Proper EU visualization present during the event, EU flag and logo visible in brochures presentations and other promotional materials, Other elements of visibility according to the requirements
To promote and inform about the Programme and projects in relation to the	General audience, conference participants	Events organized by the other entities	Participating in the event International Conference "Europe of Families" in Warsaw, Poland https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/n	Programme present at the relevant events	1 conducted discussion panel; 2 projects presented their	Promoting and delivering information about the Programme	70% of event participants improved their knowledge	7-8.11.2019	JTS	Proper EU visualization present during the event, EU flag

conference main subject			ews/1321		achievements; Presentation delivered; Promotional materials provided; Number of participants: approx. 75	and projects; Exchange of experiences and ideas regarding the subject of the conference	of the Programme and projects			and logo visible in brochures presentations and other promotional materials, Other elements of visibility according to the requirements
ACTING AS PARTNER, PARTICIPANT, SPEAKER, EXHIBITOR AT DIVERSE EVENTS										
To inform about the Programme and its opportunities and impact, to reach additional audience	Stakeholders (potential), applicants, general audience	Events organized by the other entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “East of Culture” festival in Rzeszów, Lublin and Białystok, Poland, 29.08-1.09.2019 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1720 • XXIX Economic Forum in Krynica Zdrój, Poland, 3-5.09.2019 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1182 • XVII Polish Sociological Congress in Wrocław, Poland 11-14.09.2019 	Programme provide various support for development of its area	Organized discussion panel or its representatives acting as a panellists Presence with the promotional Programme stand Brochures, leaflets, promotional	Stakeholders , (potential) applicants, general audience informed about the Programme, Reaching new audience New	Participants: approx. 100 000 per localization Participants: approx. 4 500 Participants: approx. 500	III/IV quarter of the year	JTS, BOs	Proper EU visualization present during the events, EU flag and logo visible in brochures presentations and other

		<p>https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1122</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • XX International Business Forum "Euroregion Neman-2019" in Hrodna, Belarus, 12-14.09.2019 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1207 • XII Scientific Forum Ukrainian-Polish Meeting "Future,modern,past" in Yaremche, Ukraine, 19-22.09.2019 • VIII Eastern Europe Initiative Congress in Lublin, Poland, 23-24.09.2019 • VI Eastern Economic Congress in Bialystok, Poland, 25-26.09.2019 • Kastrychnicki Economic Forum in Brest, Belarus, 2.10.2019 • Association of Rural Communes of the Podlaskie Voivodeship in Rozłogi, Poland, 7.10.2019 – promotional stand • Forum Tourism Industry Hotels in Suwałki, Poland, 24-25.10.2019 • XIX Economic Forum in Lviv, 		<p>items provided</p> <p>Promotional gadgets provided accordingly to the event</p> <p>News on the Programme website</p> <p>Presentations on the Programme and projects implementation provided</p> <p>Photo documentation</p>	<p>audience acknowledge with the Programme activities and values</p>	<p>Participants: approx. 200</p> <p>Participants: approx. 50</p> <p>Participants: approx. 1000</p> <p>Participants: approx. 1500</p> <p>Participants: approx. 70</p> <p>Participants: approx. 100</p> <p>Participants: approx. 500</p>		<p>promotional materials, Other elements of visibility according to the requirements</p>
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			<p>Ukraine, 31.10-1.11.2019 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1299</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference “Historical and cultural heritage of the Carpathians”, Uzhhorod, Ukraine, 8.11.2019 • Conference for PBU beneficiaries from Podkarpackie Voivodeship in Krasiczyn, Poland, 18-19.11.2019 • Local Self-government Day in Plavie, Ukraine, 9-10.12.019 • IV Forum of Lviv Oblast NGOs “Partnership and Development” in Lviv, Ukraine, 11.12.2019 				<p>Approx. 120 participants of the panel discussion, over 700 of the Forum</p> <p>Participants: approx. 80</p> <p>Participants: approx. 50</p> <p>Participants: approx. 200</p> <p>Participants: approx. 120</p>			
Publications										
To communicate with applicants, beneficiaries, authorities and general audience	Applicants, beneficiaries, authorities, general audience	Publication ‘Crossborderer 2019’ Print&On-line	Preparation and updating information of Programme activities	Printed Crossborderer 2019 publication; On-line Crossborderer 2019	1 prepared publication, 32 pages on Programme activities; 600 printed copies;	Applicants/beneficiaries provided with information on the Programme; General	600 copies of publication distributed during events	IV quarter of the year	JTS, LBO	Visibility according to the requirements

				publication	1 on-line publication available on the Programme website	public informed about the Programme				
To communicate with applicants, beneficiaries, authorities and general audience	Applicants, beneficiaries, authorities, general audience	Publication On-line	Preparation of the 'Regular Projects' publication regarding relevant information about the projects	Preparation of the 'Regular Projects' publication; On-line 'Regular Projects' publication	1 prepared publication, 84 pages on regular projects; 1 on-line publication available on the Programme website	Applicants/beneficiaries provided with information on the Programme General audience informed about the Programme	Easy access document for all visitors of the Programme website.	IV quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To communicate with the Programme stakeholders (mainly JMC members)	JMC members, EC, other Programme stakeholders	Internal publication – 'Insider'	Preparation of an overview of inside the Programme activities, informing about the current matters	On-line publications 'Insider'	6 issues of on-line brochure	Stakeholders informed about current matters and activities	100% of JMC members and Programme stakeholders informed about the Programme internal activities	III/IV quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To	Applicants,	Brochure	Preparation and updating an	Printed	2 prepared	Applicants/b	600 copies	III/IV	JTS	Visibility

communicate with applicants/beneficiaries, authorities and general audience	beneficiaries, authorities, general audience	'Facts&Figures'	overview of most important information about the Programme	Facts&Figures publication; On-line Facts&Figures publication	publication, 12 pages about Programme; 600 printed copies; 1 on-line publication available on the Programme website	eneficiaries provided with information on the ProgrammeG eneral audience informed about the Programme	of publication distributed during events	quarter of the year		according to the requirements
Programme website										
To communicate with applicants/beneficiaries, authorities, and general audience	Applicants, beneficiaries, authorities, general audience	Programme website	Preparation of an updates from the life of the Programme	Updates on the Programme website	63 news and information published on the Programme website	Applicants/beneficiaries provided with practical information General audience informed about the Programme	167 573 enter 46 517 visits 17 490 downloads	III/IV quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To enable partnerships among projects	Beneficiaries, programme bodies,	Partner Search database	Posting actual information about possible partnerships	Partner Search Database	Updated and enlarged Partner Search	Applicants/beneficiaries provided with practical	Applicants/beneficiaries able to find a partner for	III/IV quarter of the	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements

	authorities, general audience				Database	information	project implementa tion	year		nts
Keep.eu										
To mark the presence of the Programme and promote the Programme	Beneficiaries , programme bodies, authorities, general audience	Keep.eu – Programme and projects search database	Posting actual information about the project in general EU projects' database	Keep.eu database	Updated database of Programme projects	General audience informed about the Programme	Available to general audience information regarding PBU projects	III/IV quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requireme nts
Social media										
To communicate with applicants/ben eficiaries, authorities and general audience	Applicants, beneficiaries , authorities, general audience	Social media	Posting actual information from the life cycle of the Programme	Posts on Facebook page and YouTube channel	81 posts on FB published 9 videos on YouTube channel published	General audience informed about the Programme, Keeping old and attracting new audience	FB: approx. 700 openings/po st, maximum reach 6300 users; YT: 1168 views in total	III/IV quarter of the year	JTS, RBO	Visibility according to the requireme nts
Media										
To mark the presence of the Programme	General audience	Media– press, TV,	Sharing the updates from the life of the Programme	Articles, notes in the press;	Numerous articles in the press, few TV	General audience informed	Keeping old and attracting	III/IV quarter of the	JTS,	Visibility according to the

and to promote the Programme		radio		Television, radio relations	and radio relations	about the Programme	new audience	year	BOs	requirements
Other activities										
To communicate with beneficiaries, stakeholders, spreading information/promoting the Programme	Beneficiaries, authorities, Programme stakeholders	Calendars and gadgets	Designing/choosing the proper materials. Preparation of the tender and supervision of the production.	Calendars and gadgets	3 100 calendars of 5 different types of use; Approx. 6 700 different types of gadgets in different price ranges, i.e powerbanks, umbrellas, bags, pens, pendrives, etc.	Built and maintained relations with beneficiaries, authorities, Programme stakeholders	Beneficiaries, authorities, Programme stakeholders provided with promotional gadgets and calendars	IV quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements

4.4.1 List of information and communication activities from 1st January to 30th June 2020

Aim of the activity (specific objective)	Target group	Tool	Activity and location	Output (value)	OI Target value	Result (cumulative value)	RI Target value	Timing	Resp body	Measures to ensure EU visibility
Assisting Programme applicants and beneficiaries										
To assist beneficiaries in implementation process under the pandemic threat, to give guidelines, to clarify doubts	Programme beneficiaries of all Calls	Guidelines useful materials	Assisting projects' beneficiaries in relation to Covid-19 epidemic threat https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1463 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1478 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1487 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1515 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1523 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1467	Additional guidelines, materials and documents available on the Programme website	Approx. 14 news on the Programme website and other published materials	Beneficiaries informed about the changes in regard to the Codiv-19	60% of beneficiaries received support and guidelines	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	EU logo used in all documents , guidelines materials

To support Programme healthcare projects in fighting the Covid-19	Beneficiaries of medical projects, general audience	Programme website	Informing about the additional funds allocated do medical projects https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1533	Additional 3 M EUR to healthcare cross-border cooperation projects	12 medical projects received additional funds	Programme reacting to current threats, bringing communities together	12 PBU medical projects supported in fighting the Covid-19	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To assist beneficiaries in projects' promotion	Programme beneficiaries of all CfP	Consultations	Organization and providing consultations. Phone, e-mail.	Consultations delivered in all three countries	Consultation given; Numerous supported beneficiaries	Increased knowledge of project beneficiaries on importance of the communication activities	70% of beneficiaries improved their knowledge in regard to communication obligation; clarified doubts	I/II quarter of the year	JTS, BOs	Visibility according to the requirements
To train on the implementation issues and procedures	Programme beneficiaries of the 2 nd CfPs	Trainings on implementation	Organizing the trainings in Poland, Belarus and Ukraine https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1426 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1442	Trainings, presentations, on-line workshops	2 trainings in Ukraine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lviv, Uzhhorod, Number of participants: Lviv – 71 Uzhhorod –22 The other	Beneficiaries increase knowledge on reporting, expenses verification, costs eligibility, changes, visibility etc.)	70% of training beneficiaries increase their level of knowledge on implementation issues and	Beginning of March	JTS, LBO	EU flag and logo highly visible during the event; EU contribution to the programm

					trainings have to be cancelled and delivered online due to the pandemic.		procedures			e highlighted in presentations; Other elements of visibility according to the requirements
To inform potential applicants of the 3 rd Call for Proposals of the future micro-projects	Potential applicants of the 3 rd CfPs	Guidelines useful materials	Assisting 3 rd CfPs (potential) applicants https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1373 https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1380	News of the Programme website	Approx. 3 news of the Programme website	Potential applicants informed about requirements and clarified doubts	60% of potential applicants inform about the 3 rd CfPs and its procedures	I/II quarter of the year	JTS, BOs	EU logo used in all documents , guidelines materials
To provide technical advice focusing on descriptive, financial and communication issues	Potential applicants of the 3 rd CfPs	Consultations	Organization and providing consultations. Individual consultations. Phone, e-mail. Multiple cities of 3 countries: Warsaw, Rzeszów, Brest, Lviv https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/n	Consultations delivered in all three countries	Numerous consultations	Potential applicants informed about requirements and clarified doubts	70% of potential applicants improved their knowledge on descriptive, financial and	I/II quarter of the year	JTS, BOs	Visibility according to the requirements

			ews/1339				communicat ion issues			
Inspiring young generation										
To reach new youth audience and communicate values of the CBC Programme	Young generation, general audience	On-line competition/ Programme website, FB page	Organization of the on-line competition for youth teams "Together for a Greener tomorrow!" https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1554	On-line competition for school teams, Teams from three countries	At least 2 teams from each on the country participating in the contest	General audience informed about the Programme, teenagers from three countries challenging new situation	Number of application received and winning teams – results in the 2 nd half of 2020.	7.05-21.09.2020	BBO, JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
Attracting new audience & promoting the concept of cross-border cooperation to the general audience										
ACTING AS ORGANISER										
To popularize Programme showcasing projects representing each of the main Programmes	Projects representatives, youths, general audience	RegioStars Opening event	Organization of RegioStars 2020 opening event in Lviv – cancelled by the EC	To mark the presence of the Programme and promote the Programme	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	JTS	n/a

themes through the involvement of youths										
To show Programme contribution to the Interreg objectives, promote Programme and projects achievements	General audience	Interreg 30 years anniversary	Sharing the information, promoting Interreg community	Information campaign during all events with Programme participation; Programme website and FB page using Interreg visualization	Number of people being informed	General audience informed about the Interreg community	More than 60% of general audience informed about the Interreg. Presence of Interreg visualization among Programme promotional activities	I/II quarter of the year	JTS, BOs	Visibility according to the requirements, Presence of Interreg visualization among Programme promotional activities
COMPETITIONS										
To reach professionals, to show the Programme from a different angle, to reach new audience, to show the	Journalists, indirectly beneficiaries , general audience (website, facebook)	On-line competition	Preparing competition for the best photo from the Cross-border Journalists Forum https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1394	On-line competition for best photo from the event	24 submitted works within the contest, 3 winning photos with the most "likes" on Facebook	To promote the Programme, to encourage journalists to inform about the Programme, promotion of	8 participants, 20% of new audience informed about the Programme	January 2020 - results	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements

effects of the Programme and its projects						the Programme through diversified communication channels				
To promote projects implemented under the Programme and their effects	Beneficiaries , youth, general audience (website, facebook)	On-line competition	Preparing contest for 'Stories from projects' launched on FB page https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1509	On-line competition for best story	2 winning stories, 2322 persons reached by the FB post	To promote the Programme, to encourage beneficiaries /youth, promotion of the Programme through diversified communication channels	20% of new audience informed about the Programme	Launched on February Results- on April 1567	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To popularize the effects of all three editions of the Programme (2004-2006, 2007-2013 and 2014-2020) by showing projects	Journalists, indirectly beneficiaries , general audience (website, facebook)	On-line competition	Preparing contest for journalists on the occasion of the 30 th anniversary of Interreg https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1541	On-line competition for the publication about the Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Programme in the mass media	Still ongoing	To promote the Programme, to encourage journalists to inform about the Programme, promotion of the	Still ongoing	Launched on April	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements

implemented under it						Programme through diversified communication channels				
ACTING AS CO-ORGANISER										
To reach a new international audience, to communicate the values of the Programme, to discuss the future of the Programme, to promote the Programme, its effects and projects	General audience	XIII Forum Europe-Ukraine and the IV Easter Fair in Rzeszów	Co-organization of the XIII Forum Europe-Ukraine and the IV Easter Fair in Rzeszów, Poland https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/news/1416	Co-organization of the event, presentation of the PBU projects	1 Organized panel discussion, 1 Information stand	General audience informed about the Programme	Life-streaming from the Conference discussion panel; Photo documentation; Number of participants : approx. 1000	4-5.02.2020	RBO	EU flag and logo highly visible during the event and in brochures presentations and other promotional materials; Other elements of visibility according to the requirements

ACTING AS PARTNER, PARTICIPANT, SPEAKER, EXHIBITOR AT DIVERSE EVENTS

<p>To reach a new audience (representatives of regional and local governments), to communicate the values of the Programme, to promote the Programme, its effects and projects</p>	<p>Stakeholders (potential), applicants, general audience</p>	<p>Events organized by the other entities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IV Polish Forum of Local Governments in Jasionka, Poland, 14-15.02.2020 • XXVI "Europe of the Carpathians" Conference in Przemyśl-Krasiczyn, Poland, 21-23.02.2020 • Round table on culinary heritage 'Reproduction and preservation of culinary traditions for the promotion of cultural heritage of mountainous cross-border region' in Dovhe Village, Ukraine, 9.03.2020 	<p>Participation in events, providing various support for development of Programme area</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Own discussion panel or its representatives acting as a panellists • Brochures, leaflets, promotional items • Promotional gadgets accordingly to the event • Articles • Presentations • Photo documentation 	<p>Stakeholders, (potential) applicants, general audience informed about the Programme</p> <p>New audience acknowledge with the Programme activities and values</p>	<p>Number of participants: approx. 400</p> <p>approx. 4500</p> <p>approx. 30</p> <p>60% of new audience informed about the Programme</p>	<p>I quarter of the year</p>	<p>JTS, BOs</p>	<p>EU flag and logo highly visible during the events and in brochures presentations and other promotional materials;</p> <p>Other elements of visibility according to the requirements</p>
<p>Publications</p>										
<p>To communicate with applicants/beneficiaries</p>	<p>Applicants, beneficiaries, authorities,</p>	<p>Publication</p>	<p>Update of Regular Projects Publication</p>	<p>Printed & On-line publication of the Regular</p>	<p>1 prepared printed publication;</p>	<p>Applicants/beneficiaries provided with</p>	<p>50% of printed publication distributed</p>	<p>I quarter of the year</p>	<p>JTS</p>	<p>Visibility according to the requirements</p>

beneficiaries and general audience	general audience			projects	600 number of single publication copies; 1 prepared /updated on-line publication	information on the Programme General audience informed about the Programme	during events organized by the other entities			nts
To communicate with the Programme stakeholders (mainly JMC members)	JMC members, EC, other Programme stakeholders	Internal publication	Preparation of an overview of 'inside the Programme activities', informing about the current matters	On-line publication 'Insider'	6 prepared/ updated on-line publications	Stakeholders informed about current matters and activities	70% of stakeholders informed about the Programme internal activities	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To mark the presence of the Programme and promote the Programme	General audience	External publications	Preparing content for external publications: - Articles in CEP magazine "wCentrum" distributed to Information Points of the European Funds - Contribution to the CPE project album - Contribution to WIFE album	Articles Project description Photo documentation	Number of distributed publications	General audience informed about the Programme	30% of general audience informed about the Programme internal activities	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements

Programme website										
To communicate with applicants/beneficiaries and general audience	Applicants, beneficiaries, authorities, general audience	Programme webpage	To prepare an updates from the life of the Programme	Update on the Programme website	53 news and information published on the Programme website	Applicants/beneficiaries provided with practical information General audience informed about the Programme	149 896 enter 27 641 visits 16 397 downloads	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To better communicate with beneficiaries, stakeholders, general audience	Applicants, beneficiaries, authorities, general audience	Functionalities and modules on the Programme website	Preparing new functionalities and modules on the Programme website: - 'Project' module - '2021-2027' module	Upgrading of the Programme website	2 new modules, numerous new functionalities	Applicants, beneficiaries provided with practical information General audience informed about the Programme	Accurate and detailed information about the Programme and implemented projects	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
To support Beneficiaries, programme bodies, authorities, general	Applicants, beneficiaries, authorities, general audience	Project database	Providing actual information on projects and from projects implementation	Project database update	1 database engine	Visitors provided with practical/accurate and detailed	141 projects available in the database	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements

audience with information about the projects						information about the projects				
To enable partnerships among projects	Beneficiaries , programme bodies, authorities, general audience	Partner Search database	Posting actual information about possible partnerships	Partner Search database update	Updated and enlarged Partner Search database	Applicants/beneficiaries provided with practical information	Applicants/beneficiaries finding partner to implement the project	I/II quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
Keep.eu										
To mark the presence of the Programme and promote the Programme	Beneficiaries , programme bodies, authorities, general audience	Keep.eu – Programme and projects search database	Posting actual information about the project in general EU projects' database	Keep.eu database	Updated database	General audience informed about the Programme	To mark the presence of the Programme and promote the Programme	I quarter of the year	JTS	Visibility according to the requirements
Social media										
To communicate with applicants/beneficiaries and general	Applicants, beneficiaries , authorities, general audience	Social media	Posting actual information from the life cycle of the Programme	Posts on Facebook page	63 posts on FB published	General audience informed about the Programme Keeping old	maximum 7700 reach users	I/II quarter of the year	JTS, RBO	Visibility according to the requirements

audience							and attracting new audience				
Media											
To mark the presence of the Programme and to promote the Programme	General audience	Media–press, TV, radio	Sharing the updates from the life of the Programme	Articles, notes in the press; Television, radio relations	Numerous articles in the press, few TV and radio relations	General audience informed about the Programme	Keeping old and attracting new audience	I/II quarter of the year	JTS, BOs	Visibility according to the requirements	

4.4.2 Summary of review by applicants/beneficiaries

Not applicable, no such activities within the reporting period.

4.4.3 Participation of EU Delegations

n/a

4.4.4 Programme website and social media

The website for the Programme 2014-2020 is constantly updated in 4 languages, there is event calendar, documents section, library of all publications prepared by the Programme, database of contracted projects etc.

FB account of the Programme is regularly updated with posts and the Programme YouTube channel contains movies produced by the Programme bodies, Programme beneficiaries or submitted in the competitions organized by the JTS/BOs.

4.4.5 Publications

Following publications have been published (not counting articles, press releases etc.):

- Regular Projects Overview;
- publication from the Scientific Conference “Security in the Area of the Cross-border Cooperation Programme Poland-Belarus-Ukraine” the collection of scientific papers by Polish, Belarusian and Ukrainian scholars under the honorary patronage of the Polish Prime Minister;
- Newsletter Crossborderer 2019;
- Facts&Figures update;
- Monthly ‘Insider’ addressed at the JMC members.

4.5. Other Technical Assistance activities

No other specific Technical Assistance activities (beside those described in other parts of the Report) were performed in the reporting period.

5. FORECAST FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR

5.1 Programme and beneficiaries' activities

5.1.1 Summary of main programme activities

Within first six months of the next reporting period (1.07 – 31.12.2020) the Programme bodies dealt mainly with:

- Preparation of JMC procedure for approval of the results of 3rd Call for proposals;
- Eligibility check of selected PBU3 micro-projects;

- Starting of contracting of the PBU3 micro-projects and conducting individual consultations in this respect;
- Trainings (on-line) for beneficiaries of PBU2 concerning public procurement issues, reporting and implementation aspects;
- Management of the LIPs, regular projects and micro-project implementation (1st financial reports submitted to the JTS);
- Further preparation of the Interreg NEXT PBU 2021-2027 Programme:
 - preparation of the e-application for LIPs;
 - collecting LIPs proposals;
 - Programme document preparation;
 - conducting tender for the EIA of the new Programme, cooperation with the service provide;
 - communication with the JPC, EC, Tesim, LIPs applicants;
 - co-organization of the 3 days thematic workshops for the JPC (29-30.09 – 1.10.2020);
 - organization of the public consultation of the Programme document;
 - organization of the thematic working group on LIPs.

Due to the pandemic, real events are mostly replaced with the online activities. The JTS in cooperation with BOs organized following activities:

- Series of interviews with projects representatives on radio;
- Series of competitions addressed to various groups of recipients: school teenagers, journalists, project's beneficiaries, professionals, general public;
- Participation of PBU projects in European Funds Open Days;
- ECDay celebration in Skole, Ukraine – “Give a tree to the Carpathians”;
- ECDay celebration – Online cross-border contest for youth teams “Together for a Greener tomorrow!”;
- Scientific Conference “Health security in the cross-border cooperation area of the Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Programme” held in Lutsk and on-line, Ukraine, 18-20.11.2020;
- Online Annual Event – publication of the Programme spots;
- Virtual tours to exemplary Polish and Belarusian PBU projects.

Due to the pandemic the participation in external events was limited. The JTS and BOs representatives co-organized or actively participated (with thematic panels organized, speeches, presentations delivered, info-points organized etc.) (in) the following events:

- “East of Culture” festival in Białystok, Lublin and Rzeszów (Poland), 20.08-6.09.2020;
- Economic Forum in Karpacz, Poland, 8-10.09.2020;
- European Funds Open Days, online, 25-27.09.2020;
- Cross-border Cooperation Congress (former Eastern Europe Initiative congress) in Lublin, (Poland), 6-8.10.2020;
- 18th European Week of Regions and Cities 2020, on-line, 12-15.10.2020 – participation in the panel on Health.

The JMC was operating via written procedures. Full list of the JMC written procedures is available on the Programme website at <https://www.pbu2020.eu/en/pages/328>.

Within the period from July 2020 to June 2021 the following main activities are forecasted:

- 1st CfP projects
 - auditors approval (Polish CCP)
 - trainings for auditors/beneficiaries
 - management over the implementation
 - verification of reports/payments to the projects
 - on-the-spot/monitoring visits
- 2nd CfP:
 - auditors approval (Polish CCP)
 - trainings for beneficiaries and auditors
 - management over the implementation
 - verification of reports/payments to the projects
 - on-the-spot/monitoring visits
- 3rd CfP
 - finalizing of contracting process
 - management over the implementation
 - trainings for selected beneficiaries

- Further programming of the Interreg NEXT PBU 2021-2027 Programme
- Audit Authority audit to the Programme
- Information/communication and capitalisation activities are presented in 5.6 Annual Information and Communication Plan

5.1.2 Summary of main project beneficiaries' activities

Main beneficiaries' activities shall include:

- grant contract signature,
- partnership agreements signature;
- concluding contracts with external auditors,
- project implementation,
- participation in trainings organised by the JTS,
- submission of start-up, brief, interim and final reports,
- submission of the requests for advance payments within the projects.

5.2 Updated Audit Strategy²

² Depending on the date of submission of the Audit Strategy (as per article 28.5 of the IR) the update may not be needed in the report for the year ending by June 2017, unless there has been a change or unforeseen event that needs to be reported.

5.3 Detailed Work Programme of the MA³

5.4 Financial plan and planned use of the technical assistance

5.5 Annual Monitoring and Evaluation Plan

5.6 Annual Information and Communication Plan

³ In accordance with 24(a) and 24(b) of ENI CBC IR