DECISION

## JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE

under Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria-Turkey Programme,
CCI No 2014TC16I5CB005

Written procedure No. 32, initiated on 29 January 2020

## 1. Description:

The Written Procedure in accordance with Articles 7 (1) and 7 (2) of the Rules of Procedure of the Joint Monitoring Committee of the Interreg-IPA CBC Bulgaria – Turkey Programme for approval of changes in the partnership in the project proposal CB005.2.23.064 under the Second Call for project proposals under Bulgaria – Turkey IPA CBC Programme and introduction of a deadline for submission of request for final payment for the projects that will be contracted in the year 2020, was initiated by the Managing Authority – Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works, Bulgaria on 29 January 2020.

The official letter No. 99-00-2-474(6)\_28.01.2020 with the proposed documents were sent to the JMC members via e-mail and made available in the JMC section of the Management Information System:

- 1. The request for changes in the partnership in the project proposal with reference number CB005.2.23.064, titled "Grandma's Chest Journey in the Land of Customs of Bourgas and Edirne", with Lead partner (LP) Valshebstvo Kindergarten and Project partner 2 (PP2) Nilufer Hatun Kindergarten was received by the Managing Authority. The initial Project partner 2 Nilufer Hatun Kindergarten withdrew from the project. The proposed new Project partner 2 is Mustafa Necati Primary School. The newly proposed partner comply with the eligibility criteria set in the Guidelines for Applicants. The change in the partnership of the project fulfils the requirement for partnership of the Programme and does not alter the general character (objectives, outputs and results) of the original project as well as the cross-border character of the project.
- 2. The introduction of a deadline for submission of request for final payment for the projects that will be contracted in the year 2020 was presented with a view to ensure smooth financial implementation under the Second Call and the achievement of the N+3 rule.

The JMC members were given 3 (three) working days to send their approval or comments on the proposed documents.

Approval of the proposed amendment was received from Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Turkey and is reflected in Attachment 1: "Table of the comments received from JMC members".

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## 2. Decisions:

- 1. JMC approves the changes in the partnership in the project proposal CB005.2.23.064 under the Second Call for project proposals under Bulgaria Turkey IPA CBC Programme. As the initial Project partner 2 Nilufer Hatun Kindergarten withdrew from the project it is replaced by the proposed new Project partner 2 Mustafa Necati Primary School. Following this decision an Addendum to the Subsidy Contract with the Lead partner Valshebstvo Kindergarten will be signed.
- 2. JMC approves the Introduction of deadline for submission of request for final payment for the projects that will be contracted in year 2020. For all projects contracted in 2020 in the subsidy contract a provision must be included stipulating that the request for a final payment should be made by the Lead partner within 15 days following the date of the final Certificate for Validation of Expenditure by the First Level Controller but not later than 110 days after the project completion.

The hereby decisions enter into force on the **4 February 2020**, the date following the deadline for submission of comments/ objections/ additional proposals from the JMC members.

## 3. Attachments:

- Table of the comments received by JMC members;
- Letter No. 99-00-2-474(6)\_28.01.2020 from Managing Authority for written procedure for approval of changes in the partnership in the project proposal CB005.2.23.064 under the Second Call for project proposals under Bulgaria – Turkey IPA CBC Programme and introduction of a deadline for submission of request for final payment for the projects that will be contracted in the year 2020;
- Submitted documents from the proposed new Project partner 2 -Mustafa Necati Primary School.

Signatures:

for BULGARIA

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