

Strategy Board of the Territorial Strategy under (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria – Türkiye Programme 2021 -2027

Written Procedure No. 1, initiated on 04.01.2023

1. Description:

The Written Procedure (WP) in accordance with articles 4 and 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Strategy Board (SB) of the Territorial Strategy under (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria – Türkiye Programme 2021-2027 for consideration and approval of Co-Chairperson from the Republic of Türkiye and establishment of Operational Unit (OU) to the Strategy Board was initiated by the elected Co-Chairperson from the Republic of Bulgaria on 04.01.2023.

The notification for the written procedure and the attachment to it – Draft Decision of the Strategy Board, were sent to the members of the Strategy Board via e-mail.

The proposed decisions concern the following:

1. Elect as Co-chairperson of the Strategy Board of the Territorial Strategy under (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria – Türkiye Programme 2021-2027 from Republic of Türkiye - Mr. Sidki Zehin – Deputy Governor of Edirne Province.

The members of the Strategy Board received notification via e-mail dated from December, 22nd, 2022 about the nomination of the Turkish delegation for the election of Mr. Sidki Zehin, Deputy Governor of Edirne Province for Co-chairperson of the Strategy Board under (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria – Türkiye Programme 2021-2027.

2. Assign the role of the Operational Unit (OU) to the Strategy Board under (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria – Türkiye Programme 2021-2027 to the Joint Secretariat of (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria Türkiye Programme 2021 -2027.

The proposal to the members of the Strategy Board is made taking into account the vast experience and the administrative capacity of the Joint

Secretariat that have been accumulated throughout two programming periods, and the fact that most of the projects under the 2021-2027 programme will be under Priority 2 "Integrated Development of the Cross-border region". In light of this, it is proposed to the members of the Strategy Board to approve the role of the Operational Unit to be assigned to the Joint Secretariat of (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria Türkiye Programme 2021 -2027.

The SB members were given 7 (seven) working days to send their approval or comments on the propositions.

No comments were received from the SB members from both sides within the set deadline and therefore according to the Rules of Procedure of the SB the propositions are deemed approved.

2. Decisions:

Decision 1:

The members of the Strategy Board approve the election of Mr. Sidki Zehin – Deputy Governor of Edirne Province as Co-chairperson of the Strategy Board from Republic of Türkiye.

Decision 2:

The members of the Strategy Board approve the role of the Operational Unit (OU) to the Strategy Board to be assigned to the Joint Secretariat of (Interreg VI-A) IPA Bulgaria - Türkiye Programme 2021 -2027.

The hereby Decisions enter into force on 16th of January 2023 - the date following the deadline for submission of comments/objections//additional proposals from the Strategy Board members.

3. Attachments: None

for Republic of Türkiye:

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Mr. SIDKI ZEHIN

Deputy Governor of Edirne Province,
Co-chairperson of the Strategy Board

for Republic of Bulgaria:

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Mr. GEORGI DIMITROV

Mayor of Karnobat Municipality
Co-chairperson of the Strategy Board