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Outlines

The Risk-based management verifications (RBMV) in the Interreg event will focus on implementing risk-based management verifications for the 2021-2027 programming period. This period marks a significant shift from previous practices, emphasising the need for management verifications proportionate to the risks identified ex-ante and documented in writing. Our event aims to provide a platform for Interreg programme institutions to discuss and exchange practical approaches, first results, lessons learned, and potential pitfalls in this new framework.

Objectives

Together we will:

- Remind participants of the legal requirements for management verifications in 2021-2027.
- Address open questions and concerns about RBMV, collectively exploring potential solutions.
- Discuss the lessons learned in developing methodologies for RBMV, including practical examples from Interreg programmes.
- Discuss the first results of the application of the RBMV approach.

Target group

The event is specifically designed for:

- Managing Authorities (MAs) of Interreg programmes
- Joint Secretariats (JS)
- Audit Authorities (AAs)

Controllers may participate if they wish to share the first results from implementing risk-based management verifications or intend to actively contribute to the event's content.

Call for Participation and Sharing

We encourage all participants to proactively inform Interact if they would like to share their practices, challenges, or best practices. This event is intended as a collaborative platform for institutions involved in RBMV to share their daily experiences, struggles, and successes.

We look forward to your participation and a fruitful exchange of insights and ideas.



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Thursday, 7 November 2024

09.00 – 09.30 **Registration and Welcome Coffee / Tea**

09.30 – 09.45 **Introduction to the workshop and objectives**
Interact programme

09.45 – 11.00 **Risk-based management verifications in 2021-2027, news and reflections**
Ioana Mantog, European Commission, DAC – Joint Audit Directorate for Cohesion

Objectives of the session: Discuss current challenges and open questions concerning RBMV implementation

11.00 – 11.30 **Coffee break**

11.30 – 13.00 **Peer-to-peer exchange: challenges, best practices related to RBMV approach**

The session's objective is to exchange and discuss the different ways of developing a RBMV methodology, specifically focusing on the involvement of controllers. We aim to identify common challenges, discuss various methodologies and tools utilised, and explore key lessons learned.

Presentations:

- *Küllli Kaare, MA, Interreg Estonia-Latvia Programme: Managing Authority's collaboration with controllers*
- *Tuomas Aejmelaeus, Controller: Conducting the RBMV as an Intermediate Body in Finland*
- *Marguerite Largent, MA, and Zuhai Sari, JS, Interreg ABH: an example of the collaboration with the controllers to develop a new tool for RBMV*

13.00 – 14.00 **Lunch**

14.00 – 14.15 **Updates from the Mapping of methodologies for RBMV of ERDF/CF mainstream programmes**
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14.15 – 15.15

Peer-to-peer exchange: first results from applying the RBMV approach

The session's objective is to share and discuss the initial outcomes of the risk-based management verifications (RBMV) approach.

Participants will share controller feedback, lessons learned, and experiences with early successes and challenges. This session aims to provide practical insights into the real-world application of RBMV, helping identify areas for improvement.

Presentations:

- *Inga Kramarz, MA, Interreg South Baltic Programme, First experiences in applying RBMV in Interreg programmes managed by Poland*
- *Yolande Petzl, Controller, RBMV – first experiences in Austria*

Discussions on the tables

15.15 – 15:45

Coffee break

15.45 – 17.00

Peer-to-peer exchange: first results from applying the RBMV approach (continued)

Presentations:

- *Joze Valic, JS, Interreg Central Europe Programme, Applying RBMV in a transnational programme*
- *Ana Mesić and Nevena Budimir, Controllers, RBMV in Practice - Croatian Controllers' experiences and impressions*
- *Francesca Sibilla, MA, and Francesco Sinicco, Controller, Interreg Italy-Slovenia Programme, RBMV methodology in use*

17.00

Wrap-up and closure of the event.

End of the meeting!