

# Risk-based management verifications in Interreg

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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**  
*Interact programme*



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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!*