



2011 ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS
of the Joint Managing Authority of the Cross-border Cooperation
Programme Lithuania-Poland-Russia 2007-2013

1. Basic act and Financing source

Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006 laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument;

Financing Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the European Community the Russian Federation signed on 18th November 2009

The Cross-Border Cooperation Programme Lithuania-Poland-Russia 2007-2013 is financed from the European Regional Development Fund and the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument funds. Russian national funding is also foreseen.

2. Objectives of the programme, priorities for 2007-2013 and expected results

The core objective of the Programme is support for cross-border development processes.

Priorities and measures:

PRIORITY 1: Contributing to solving common problems and challenges
1.1. Sustainable use of environment
1.2. Accessibility improvement
PRIORITY 2: Pursuing social, economic and spatial development
2.1. Tourism development
2.2. Development of human potential by improvement of social conditions, governance and educational opportunities
2.3 Increasing competitiveness of SMEs and development of the labour market
2.4 Joint spatial and socio-economic planning
HORIZONTAL PRIORITY: Development of cooperation of local communities

The expected inputs and results of the priorities and measures are described in the Programme.

3. Eligibility conditions

Geographical eligibility:

- Poland: podregion białostocko-suwalski
 podregion ełcki
 podregion olsztyński
 podregion elbląski
 podregion Gdańsk-Gdynia-Sopot
 podregion gdański
 podregion słupski (adjoining region with limited participation)
 podregion bydgoski (adjoining region with limited participation)
 podregion toruńsko-włocławski (adjoining region with limited participation)
 podregion łomżyński (adjoining region with limited participation)
 podregion ciechanowsko-płocki (adjoining region with limited participation)
 podregion ostrołęcko-siedlecki (adjoining region with limited participation)
- Lithuania: Marijampolės Apskritis
 Tauragės Apskritis
 Klaipėdos Apskritis
 Alytaus Apskritis (adjoining region with limited participation)
 Kauno Apskritis (adjoining region with limited participation)
 Telšių Apskritis (adjoining region with limited participation)
 Šiaulių Apskritis (adjoining region with limited participation)
- Russia: Kaliningrad Region

Support for adjoining regions is limited to 20% of the Programme budget and only non-infrastructureal (so called “soft”) projects can be implemented in these regions.

Eligible applicants:

- Local and regional authorities in the border regions concerned, their associations and organizational entities of local and regional authorities having legal personality;
- Non-governmental organisations and non-profit organisations active in the fields relevant to the Programme priorities;
- Educational, research and training institutions, universities, legal persons running such institutions,
- State organisations/institutions;
- Entities acting for public purposes;
- Other public organisations and entities active in the fields relevant for the Programme priorities.

Projects shall be submitted by applicants representing partnership consisting of at least one partner from Lithuania or Poland and one from the Russian Federation.

4. Selection and award criteria

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures approved by the Joint Monitoring Committee based on the Practical Guide to contract procedures for EC external actions.

5. Maximum rate of Community financing

The maximum rate of Community co-financing is 90% of all eligible project costs.

6. Schedule of calls for proposals

It is planned to have two calls for proposals to be launched in 2011. Decision on the exact time of each of the calls will be made by the Joint Monitoring Committee.

7. Indicative number and amount of calls for proposals

The indicative maximum amount for call for proposals (regular projects) is 40,000,000,00 euro.
The indicative amount for the Call for Proposals (Microprojects) is 5,000,000,00 euro.
The indicative number of calls for proposals in year 2011 is two.