

I. General information

Thematic provisions	TNC themes are not specified in the RDP (or other relevant official documents) – LAGs decide about relevant themes for cooperation
Territorial provisions	Geographical priorities: rural territories in EU MSs, on-rural territories in EU MSs Cooperation with third countries: all possible types of territories specified in Art 44 of Regulation (EU) 1305/2013
Potential partners	Eligible partners can be Local action groups, all types of partnership specified in Article 44 of Regulation (EU) 1305/2013
Guidance in other languages / national language	in preparation on national level - not available in other languages
Eligible beneficiaries for cooperation projects	Local action groups, other local actors
Coordinating/lead partner provisions	lead partner is not required, but possible for a cooperation project to be eligible for support
Simplified costs	Not applicable
Calls	It is up to the Lags and the strategies; projects can be submitted continuously - ongoing application system - and by calls
Project selection	The Lag is responsible for selecting projects for preparatory actions, as well as for TNC/ITC. Cooperation is integrated into the LDSs.
Budget allocation for cooperation to LAGs	The budget for cooperation is not specified in the RDP – it is up to the LAGs to allocate cooperation budgets within their LDSs
Other provisions	LAGs decide about integrating TNC or inter-territorial cooperation within their LDSs

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II. Financial information

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Total public expenditure	the budget for cooperation is not specified in the RDP – it is up to the LAGs to allocate cooperation budgets within their LDSs
Maximum amount of support	The concrete maximum amount of support is not specified in the RDP (or in other relevant official documents)
Minimum amount of support	-
Maximum rate of support	- 80% for preparatory actions - 100% for cooperation projects (for LAG 80%)
Other provisions	national co-financing for private beneficiaries is carried out by the Free State of Saxony

III. Preparatory support

Rationale	encourage LAGs to implement cooperation projects
Eligible beneficiaries	Local action groups
Basic eligibility criteria	statement of at least two partners relating to the objectives of the cooperation; statement of the partners relating to acting as a partner in the cooperation project in accordance with Article 44 (2) of Regulation (EU) 1305/2013, documentation of using the selection criteria; statement of the LAG, that the project is attended to the aims of EAFRD and the LES and that it contains an added value; statement of the LAG for setting the amount of funding
Eligible actions	meetings, participation at events, feasibility study for the cooperation project
Eligible costs	eligible costs include running costs, costs for public relations, studies, travel, accommodation, interpreters' fees, consultancy support, translation, rental of venue for events and meetings, catering - -
Non-eligible costs	non-eligible costs have not been defined in the RDP (or other relevant official documents)

IV. Inter-territorial Cooperation

Rationale	Implement cooperation projects
Type of eligible territory	rural territories in EU MSs, non-rural territories in EU MSs
Basic eligibility criteria	Eligibility criteria include description of the project, statement of the partners relating to the objectives of the cooperation, statement of the partners relating to acting as a partner in the cooperation project in accordance with Article 44 (2) of Regulation (EU) 1305/2013, a cooperation contract; positive selection of the LAG; statement of the LAG, that the project is attended to the aims of EAFRD and the LES and that it contains an added value; statement of the LAG for setting the amount of funding; specific statements of the LAG
Eligible actions	Eligible actions include meetings, participation at events, publications, website, joint services, joint products, study visits, investments
Eligible costs	travel, accommodation, catering, interpreters' fees, consulting, translation, telecommunication and/or postal services, rental of venue for meetings and events, share of common costs related to joint publication and/or website
Non-eligible costs	non-eligible costs have not been defined in the RDP (or other relevant official documents)

V. Transnational Cooperation (TNC)

Rationale	Implement cooperation projects
Type of eligible territory	All possible types of territories specified in Article 44 of Regulation (EU) 1305/2013
Basic eligibility criteria	Eligibility criteria include description of the project, statement of the partners relating to the objectives of the cooperation, statement of the partners relating to acting as a partner in the cooperation project in accordance with Article 44 (2) of Regulation (EU) 1305/2013, a cooperation contract; positive selection of the LAG; statement of the LAG, that the project is attended to the aims of EAFRD and the LES and that it contains an added value; statement of the LAG for setting the amount of funding; specific statements of the LAG
Eligible actions	meetings, participation at events, publications, website, joint services, joint products, study visits, investments
Eligible costs	travel, accommodation, catering, interpreters' fees, consulting, translation, telecommunication and/or postal services, rental of venue for meetings and events, share of common costs related to joint publication and/or website
Non-eligible costs	non-eligible costs have not been defined in the RDP (or other relevant official documents)