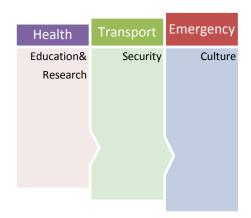
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196 projects were submitted under the Joint Operational Programme Romania- Ukraine 2014- 2020



The increased interest of the organizations located in the border region between Romania and Ukraine generated the submission of 196 projects under the two calls, HARD and SOFT, which were opened under the Joint Operational Programme Romania - Ukraine 2014-2020.

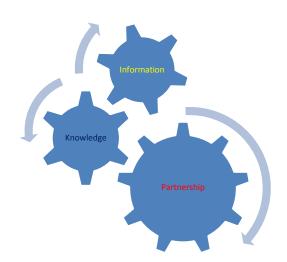
Thus, within the *call for HARD projects*, the total amount of requested grant is over € 49 million, 158% more than the available financial allocation (€ 19.1 million), for all 35 projects submitted. The most addressed priority has been *4.1 Support for developing health services and facilitating access to health services*. At the call level, the amount of grant requested by

the partners in the two countries is relatively balanced, Ukraine exceeding Romania by approximately € 3 million.

The call for SOFT projects offers funding for all 7 programme priorities, and the total grant requested by the applicants and their partners is over € 57 million, 235% more than the available financial allocation (€ 17 million). Of the 161 projects submitted, Priority 2.1 preservation and promotion of cultural and historical heritage was most addressed. The amount of the grant requested by the Romanian partners is € 3 million higher than the grant requested by the Ukrainian partners.

The projects are now facing Step 1 of evaluation - administrative verification and eligibility and, if necessary, requests for clarification will be sent in the next period. In order to assist applicants, the Joint Technical Secretariat of the programme has prepared a *video tutorial* posted on the programme website (http://roua.net/en/communication-en/multimedia.html), to provide details on how EMS ENI is working when clarification is required.

Information Network of the Joint Operational Programme Romania-Ukraine 2014-2020



The Joint Technical Secretariat of the Romania-Ukraine Joint Operational Program 2014-2020 and its Branch Offices from Chernivtsi and Odessa are setting up the programme's information network. The objective of the network is to disseminate information about the programme to local communities, authorities, institutions, civil society and other relevant actors in the eligible area.

Organizations and institutions located in the programmearea (Romania: Suceava, Botosani, Tulcea, Maramures and Satu Mare, Ukraine: Chernivtsi, Odessa. Ivano-Frankivsk and Transcarpathia) are invited to join the network.

To be part of the information network, organizations are kindly requested to express their consent and intent by filling in a questionnaire and send it for evaluation to the Joint Technical Secretariat, by email.

Please note that, following the evaluation of the dissemination potential, organizations will be selected if a minimum score of 7 points is awarded, and will sign a Memorandum of understanding.

The questionnaire and the Memorandum of understanding can be downloaded from the <u>website of Regional Office for Cross Border Cooperation Suceava</u>.

Please fill in and send the questionnaire to the following email addresses:

- for the organizations located in Suceava, Botosani, Tulcea, Maramures, Satu Mare counties, to: andrei.buzatu@brctsuceava.ro;
- for the organizations located in the Chernivtsi, Ivano Frankisvk and Transcarpathian regions, to: varvariuk.baid@gmail.com;
- for organizations in the Odessa region, to: daria.pikalova@gmail.com.

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