





Situation before decisions on Call 2

	After	After Call 1		Submitted for Call 2	
Balance Programme budget for projects	Applications approved	ERDF remaining	Full Applications received	ERDF requested	
Priority 1	4	36.344.628	1	1.722.703	
Priority 2	5	35.448.585	17	49.438.285	
Priority 3	4	27.889.898	7	20.161.365	
Priority 4	1	12.426.365	1	1.607.631	
Total	14	112.109.476	26	72.929.984	
Remaining		71%			

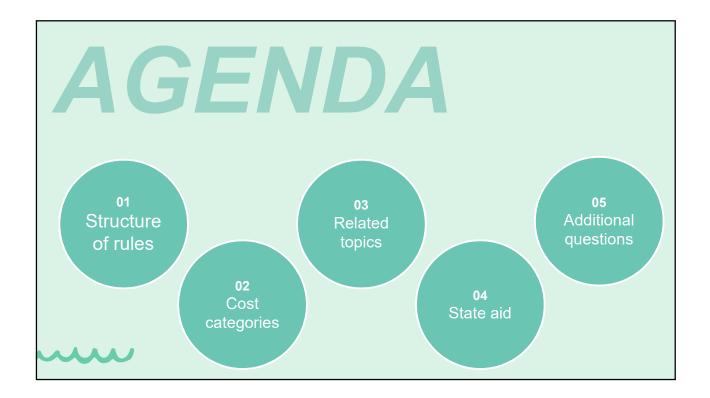
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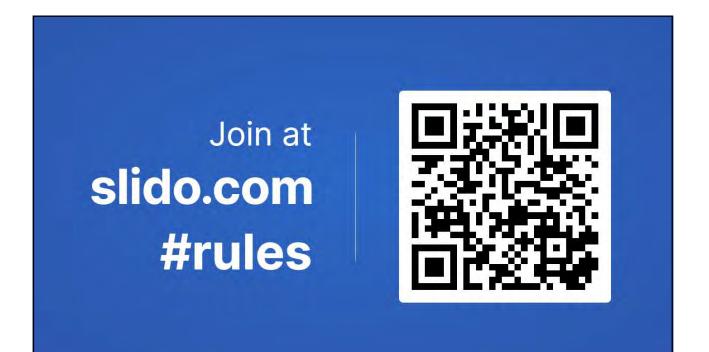








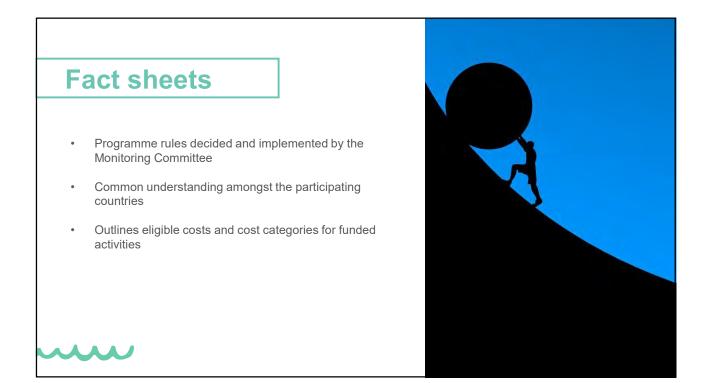




North Sea

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	EU	Programme	
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General rules on eligibility

- Only approved activities are considered eligible and can be reimbursed.
- Only partners listed in the approved application form can receive reimbursement.
- Partners from EU Member States receive 60% in reimbursement of the incurred costs, for Norwegian partners this is 50%. The approved budget is the reimbursement limit.





General rules on eligibility

- No double funding
- Shared costs is considered an eligible cost. Each project handles this differently, and the setup must be addressed in the partnership agreement (after approval)
- General sound financial management is required





Cost categories

- 1. Staff costs
- 2. Office and administration
- 3. Travel and accommodation
- 4. External expertise and services
- 5. Equipment
- 6. Infrastructure and works



Staff costs

• Staff employed by the partner organisation participating in an approved project.

- Three ways for budget and report staff costs;
 - Full time on the project
 - Fixed percentage on the project
 - Staff paid by the hour (e.g. students, youth workers, etc.)
- Special rules apply to partners from Flanders (and Belgium).

COST CATEGORY

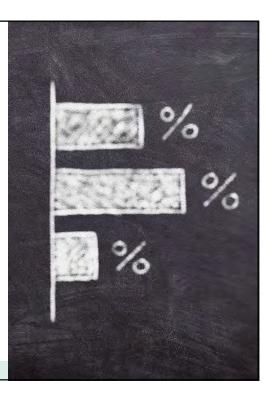
Office and administration

• The easiest rule!

Office and administration = Staff costs * 15%

- Covers all indirect costs.
- Cost items covered by this cost category cannot be budgeted or reported under other cost categories.
- No direct documentation needed





COST CATEGORY

Travel and accommodation

• Only valid for members of staff

Limited to:

- Travel expenditures
- Meals
- Accommodations
- Travel allowances

Travel costs for external (to the project) personnel can be reported under 'external expertise and services'.

COST CATEGORY



External expertise and service

• Goods or services purchased from an external supplier.

Examples

- Controller costs (previously first level control)
- Project management
- Communication
- Events
- Studies
- etc.

Remember proper and adequate procurement

COST CATEGORY



Equipment

Equipment essential for the delivery of the project.

- Tools or devices
- IT hardware and software
- vehicles
- etc.
- · Can be both new equipment or second-hand purchases
- · Depreciation vs. full purchase cost
- · Remember proper and adequate procurement

COST CATEGORY



Infrastructure and works

Few projects will experience costs linked to infrastructure.

Limited to;

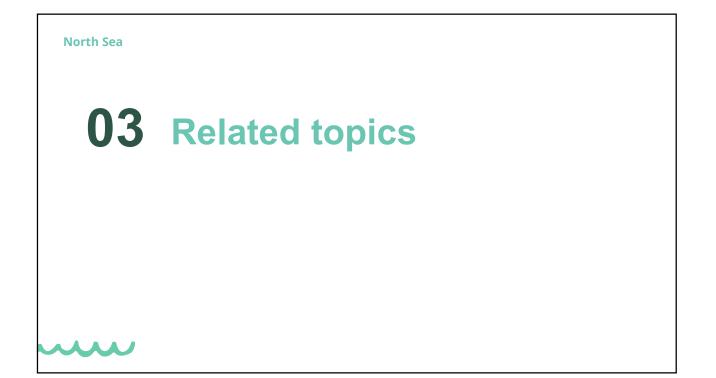
- Building permits and materials.
- Labour costs linked to construction of the infrastructure item.
- Purchase of land
- Specialised interventions

Remember proper and adequate procurement



COST CATEGORY





Vouchers

Allows a project partner to pay for limited services and/or goods on behalf of a recipient.

Consider;

- A clear and transparent justification,
- describe the clear benefit for the project delivery,
- · describe the activities in the work package,
- the type of goods or external service(s) that will be procured,
- the **budget** needed for this scheme.
- Remember that a voucher scheme can never in direct transfer of money/funding to the voucher receivers.



Vouchers

Be reasonable when planning a voucher scheme and by no means can a voucher(s) of one recipient surpass the limit for indirect aid.

All voucher schemes are approved by the programme monitoring committee.



Investment(s)

What is it?

- Infrastructure, fixed equipment or similar tangible items, which will be in place and operational after the completion of the project.
- Most relevant cost category Infrastructure and works.

What it is <u>not</u>!

• Large equipment purchases do not necessarily qualify as investments.



Investment(s)

In the application form;

- Justification
- Location of the investment
- · Risks associated with the investment
- Investment documentation
- Ownership

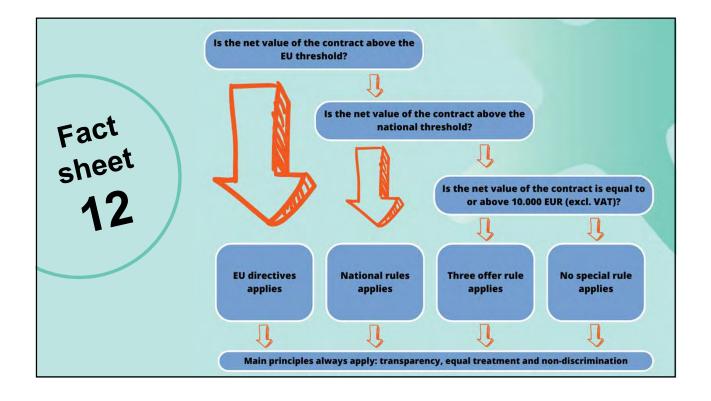


Procurement

Four situations to consider;

- Above EU threshold
- Above national/organisational threshold
- Above programme threshold
- · Below programme threshold



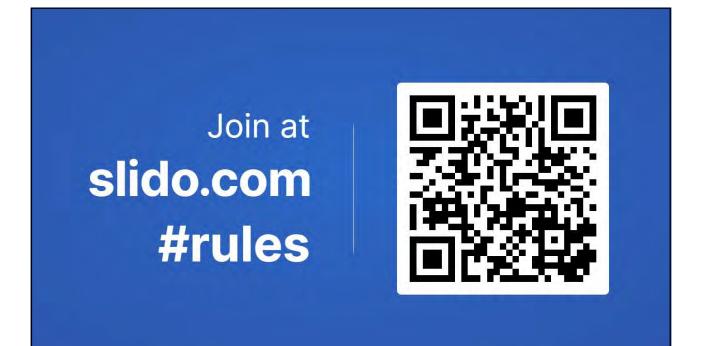


Procurement

- Existing framework contracts are eligible provided they have been procured and respect the rules outlined in the fact sheet.
- **Trading between partners** is allowed if the transaction do not distort potential competition.

Remember proper documentation. If in doubt – seek advice.





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04 State aid

State Aid

Two options for a partners state aid status;

- Not state aid relevant, or
- State aid relevant

If state aid relevant then GBER will be applied for all types of undertakings.

Limited to;

- 2 M€ in direct aid
- 80% aid intensity



State Aid (indirect)

Indirect aid to partners not part of the project (application form)

Allowed via General Block Exemption Regulation (GBER) article 20a.

Limited to:

• 20.000€ in aid per undertaking, per project.



State Aid

The risk of state aid is first and foremost assessed by the project partner via a self-assessment tool. This followed by the JS check.

The project partner self-assessment handles two overarching questions;

- 1. Is the project partner engaged in an economic activity in the framework of the project?
- 2. Will the project partner gain an advantage from the project that it would not have otherwise?



State Aid

If 'yes', to both questions;

- 1. Is the project partner engaged in an economic activity in the framework of the project?
- 2. Will the project partner gain an advantage from the project that it would not have otherwise?

Then there is a risk of state aid, and the project partner should choose a state aid scheme, preferably GBER.



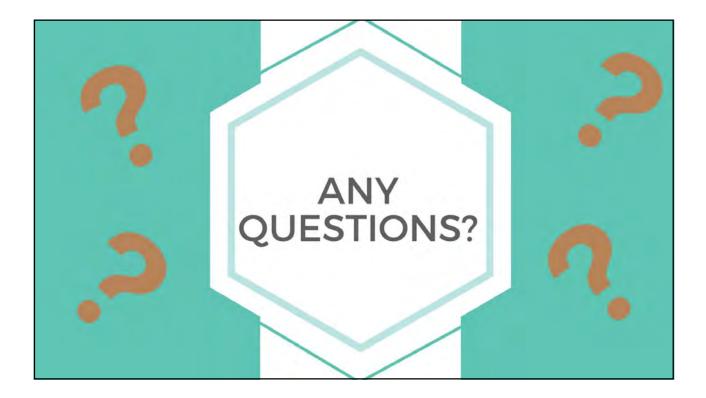
State Aid

The procedure behind;

- 1. Project partners perform self-assessment of their activities in the project.
- 2. Applicable self-declaration is signed
- 3. The JS assess the plausibility of the self-assessment.
- 4. National authorities is involved in case of doubts,
- (if the project is approved and if needed) adjustments to the state aid status will be implemented before contracting the project.







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The keys:

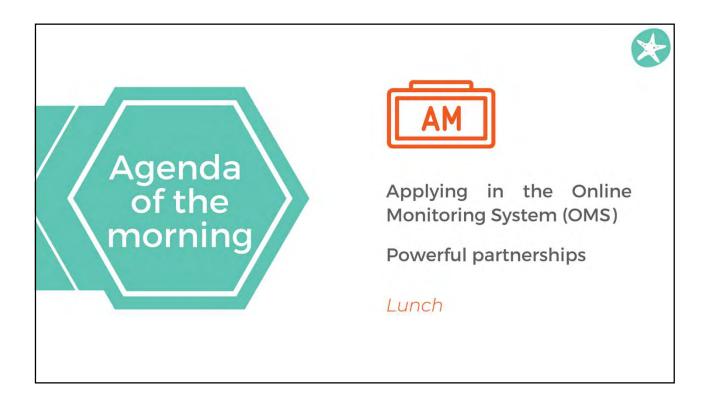
Read and understand the programme rules before preparing your project.

Some rules are more complex than others, however they are all important.











Types of projects

2 step application process:

- Expression of Interest
- Full Application

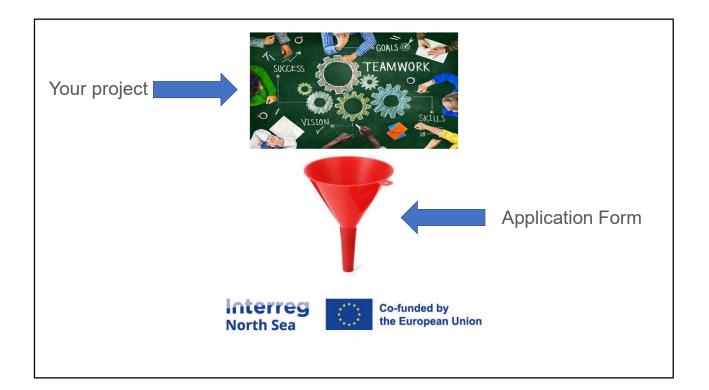
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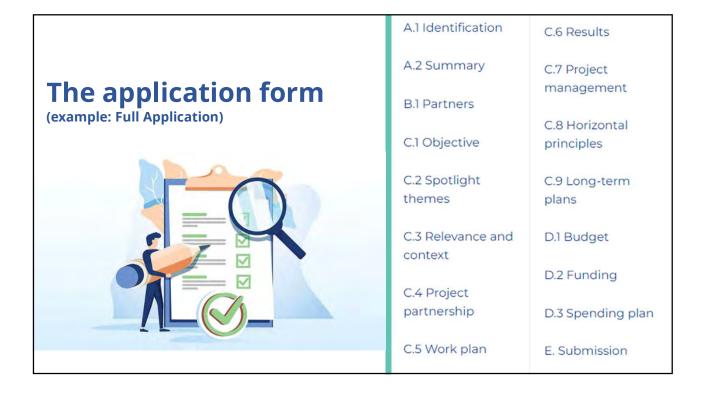
• Small scale project application

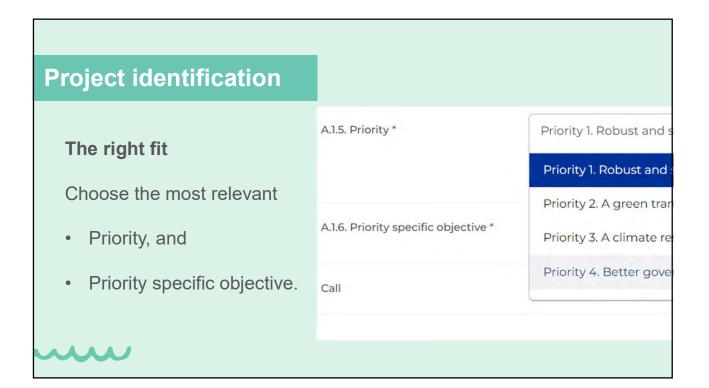
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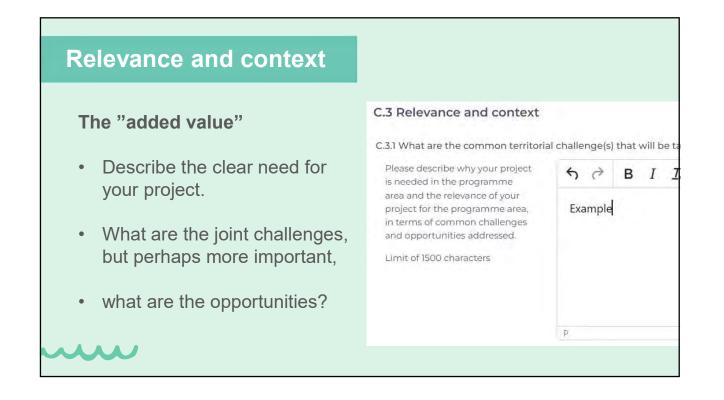


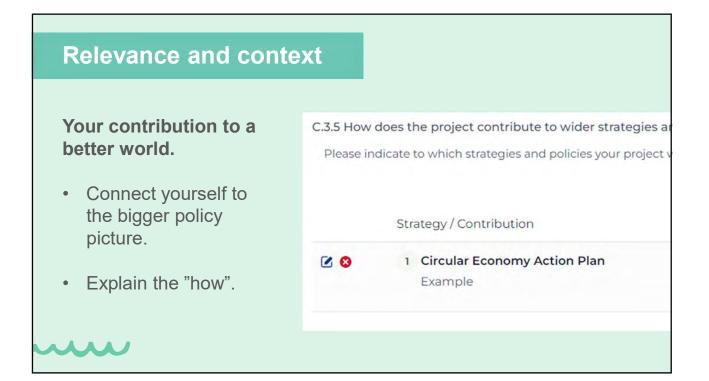




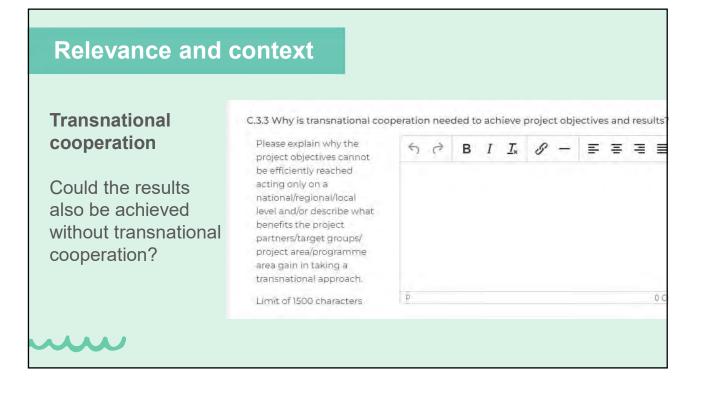




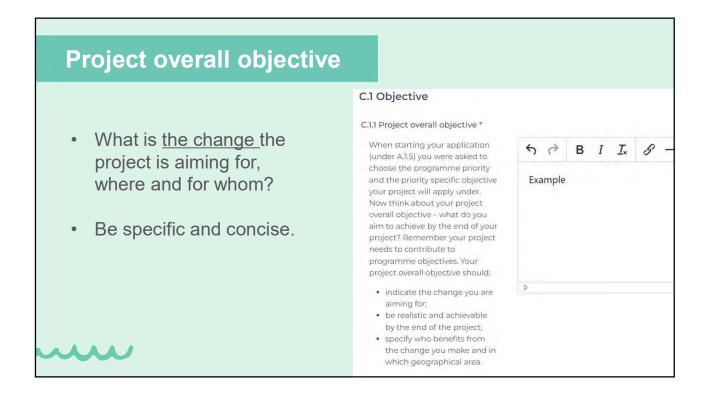


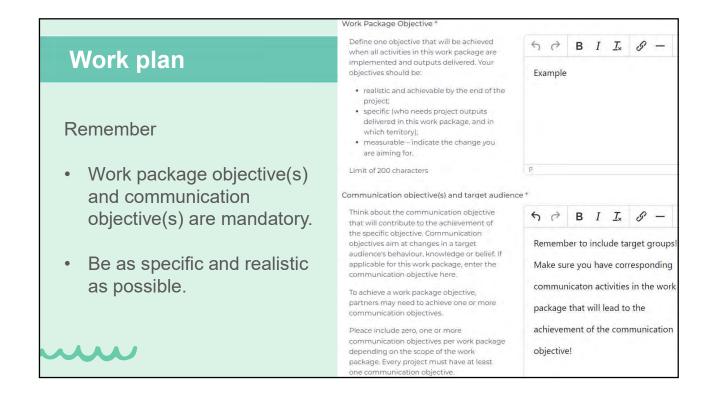


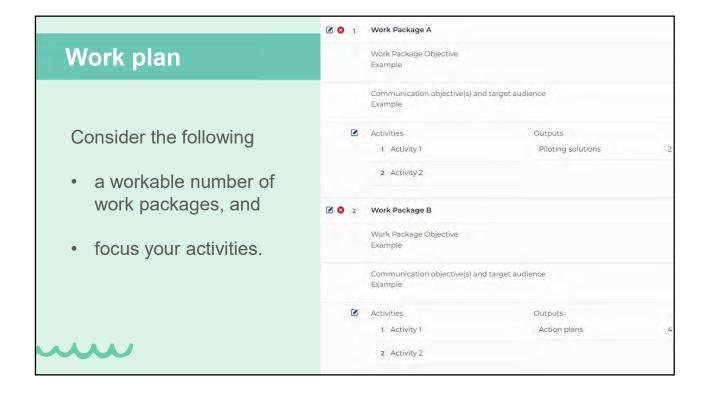


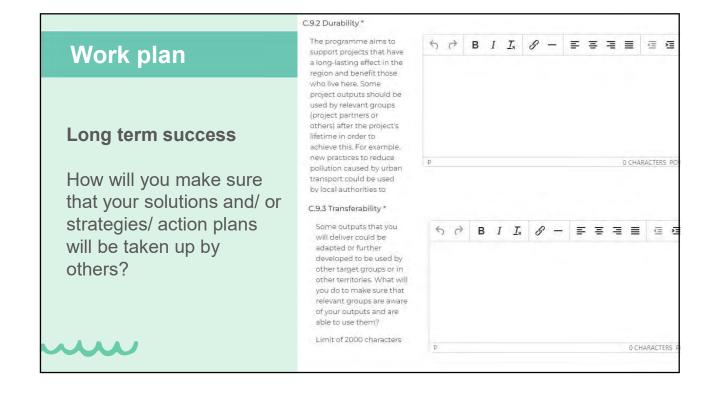


Project partnership	
 Answer Why this exact partnership? Remember to establish a balanced partnership, both in terms of qualifications and geography. 	C.4 Project partnership C.4 Project partnership * Describe the structure of your partnership and explain why these partners are justify why exactly this partnership implements the project and how do your partnership plans and organises pilot activities (if relevant). Please avoid duple of individual partners. Limit of 2000 characters Edit Insert Table









5 take-away points

- 1. Connect your idea to the **bigger picture** (programme and policy level as well as other initiatives).
- 2. Explain **why your project is needed** in the North Sea region (**including partnership**).
- 3. Create a **convincing and logical work plan** that will lead to the achievement of the overall project objective.



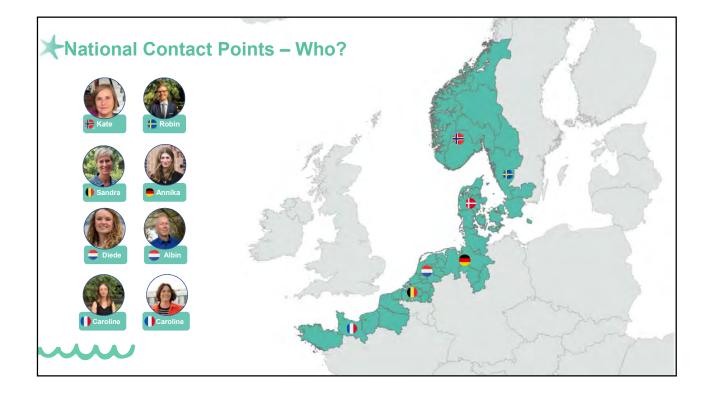
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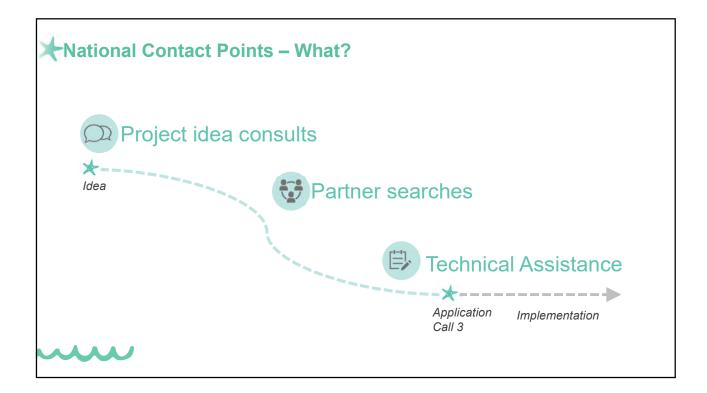
- 4. Explain the value of **transnational cooperation.**
- 5. Long-term success: focus on the **durability and transferability** already now.

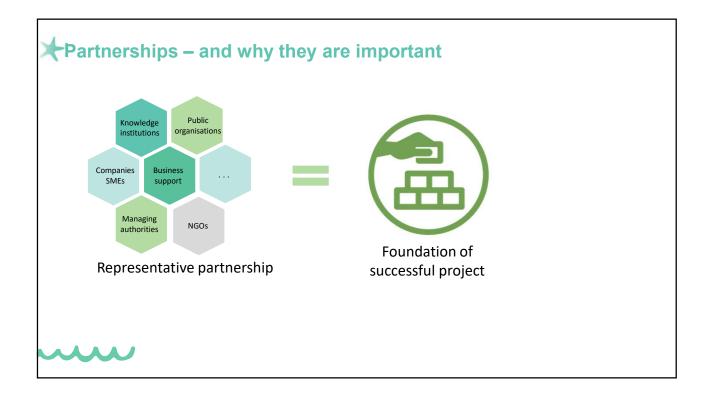


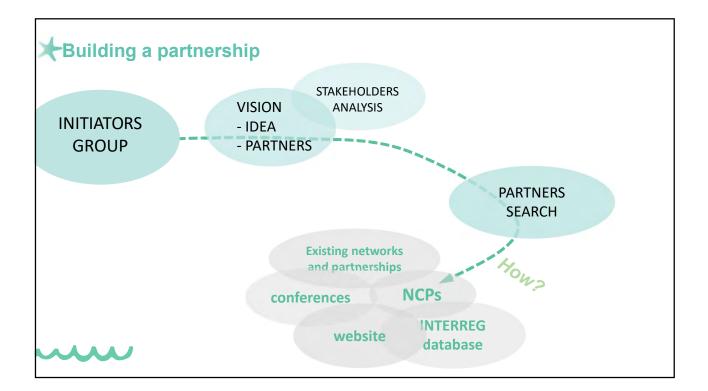


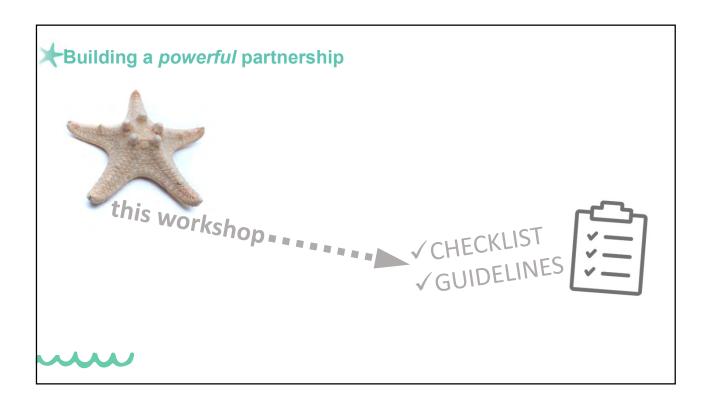


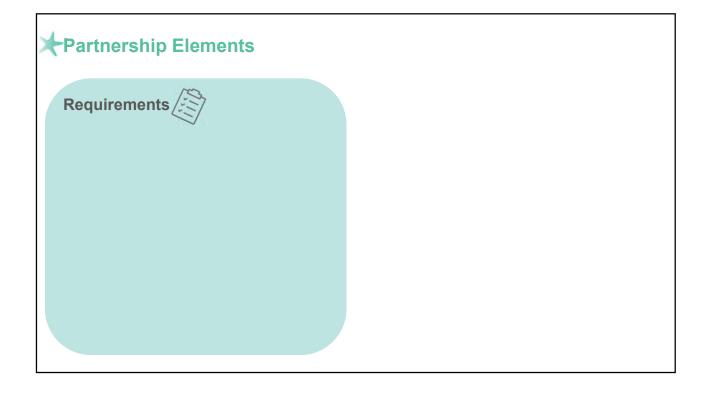


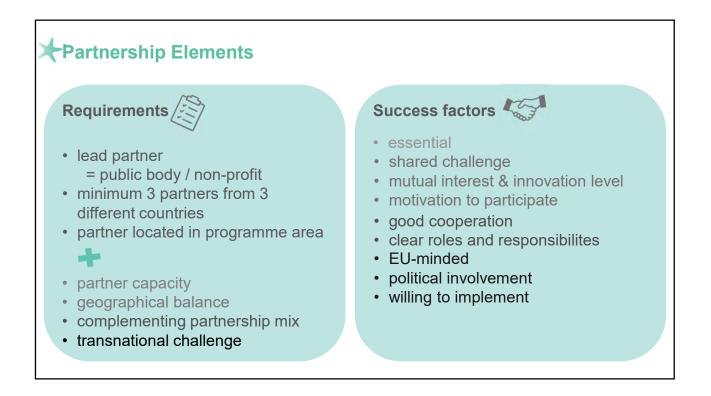




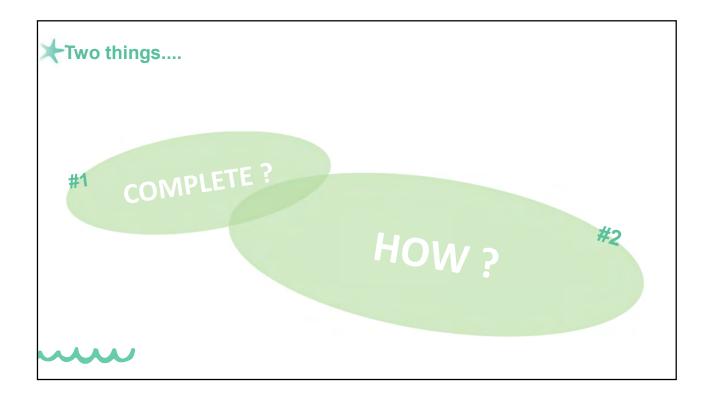






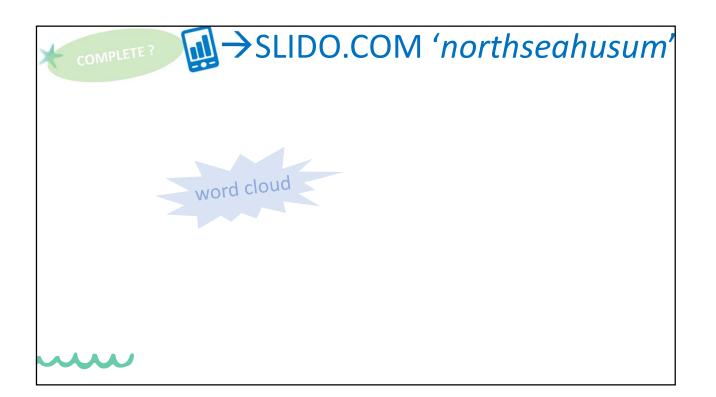


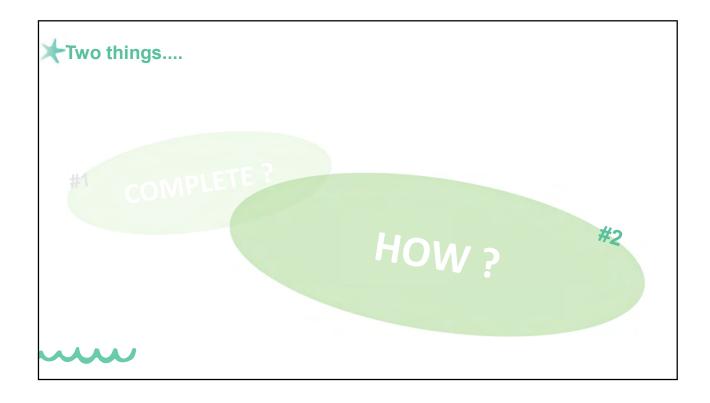
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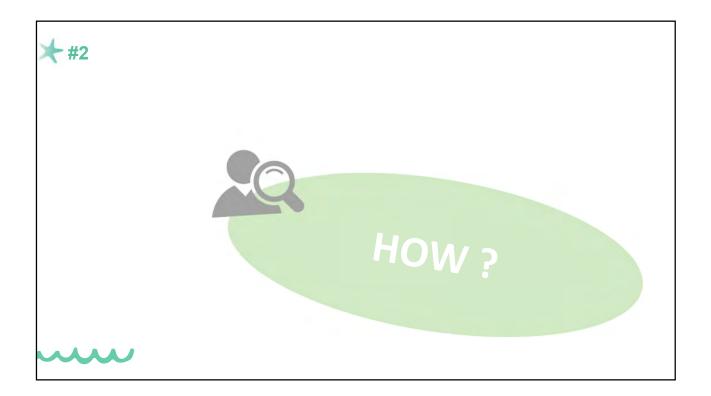




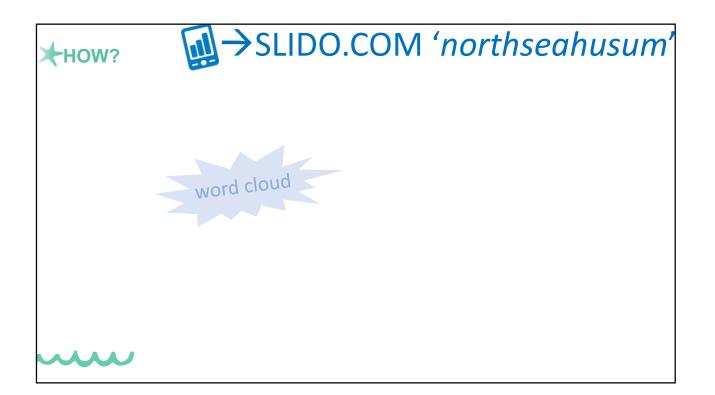
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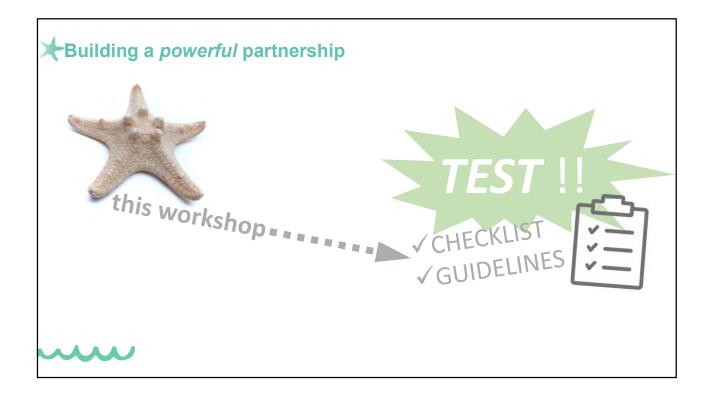






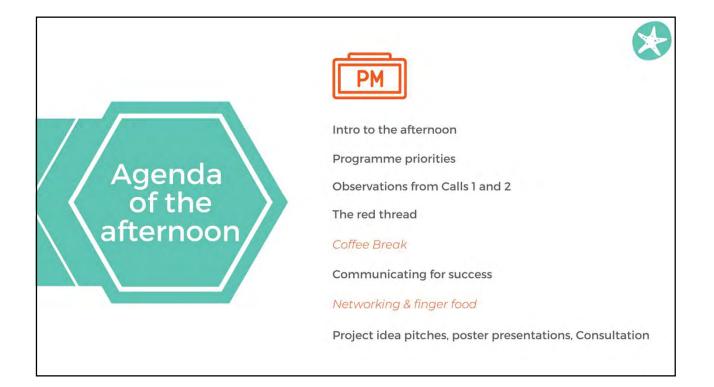








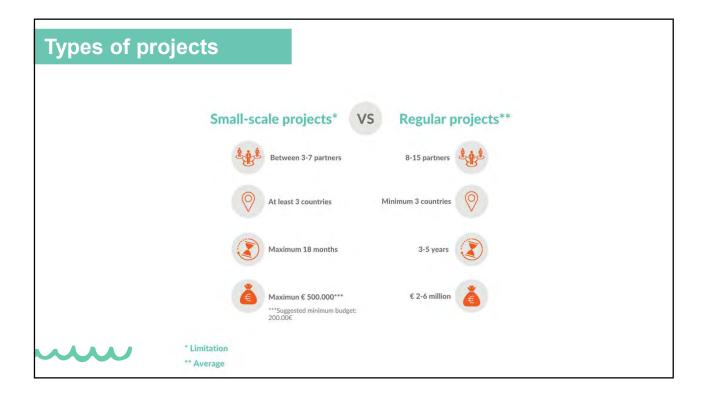






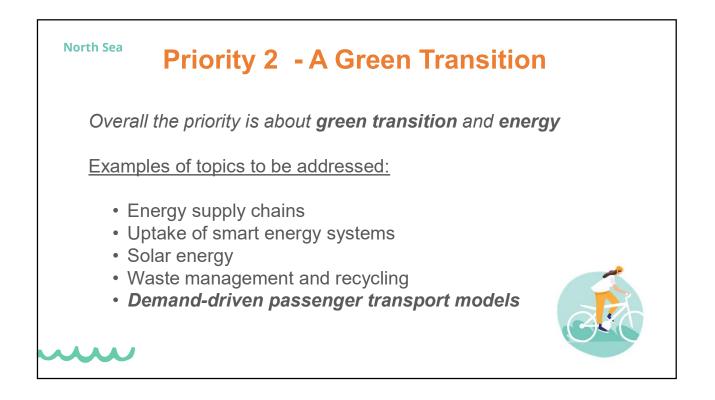








Better Governance – Scope All challenge-driven needs mentioned under priorities 1-3 are of relevance but not only... Of particular interest are topics related to the: North Sea basin, integrated territorial development, rural-urban cooperation Spring board for other Interreg, mainstream, research projects or come as a spin – off from other projects Prominent role of public authorities and institutions in this priority Piloting is for priorities 1-3



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Spotlight Themes

These themes focus on:

Digitalisation

Digital solutions to challenges, digital transition with full and fair potential to people/businesses/public authorities, development of digital technologies

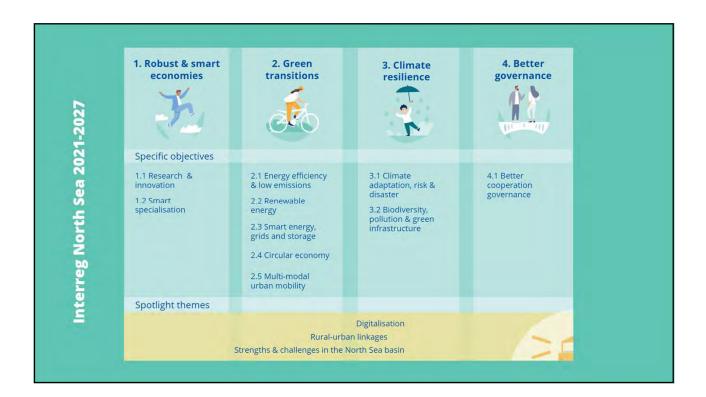
Rural-urban linkages

Inclusive territorial development, flows of people/goods/knowledge, strengthening territorial cohesion

Strengths and challenges in the North Sea basin

Focus on marine and maritime challenged: Sustainable energy resources, port logistics & shipping/tourism & recreation/fishing & aquaculture, interaction between land and sea environment/interrelation with human activities

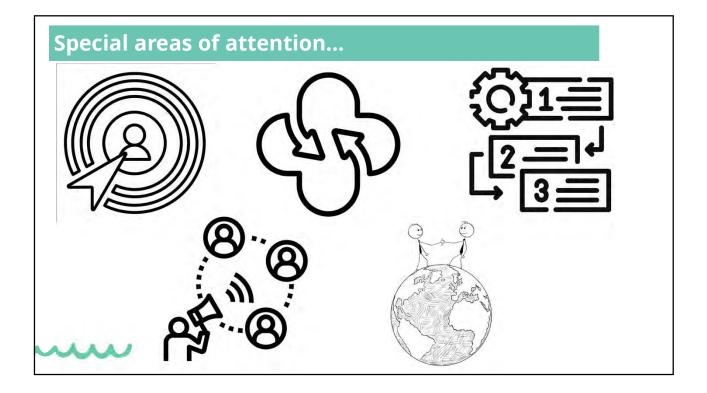


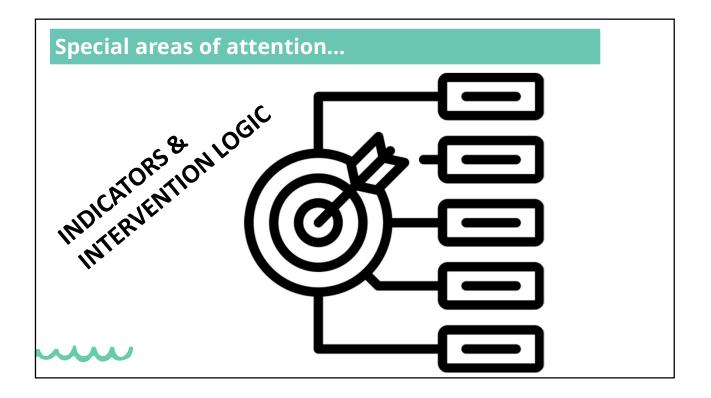
















Breakout Rooms

Priority 1: Seminarraum 1 (1st floor)

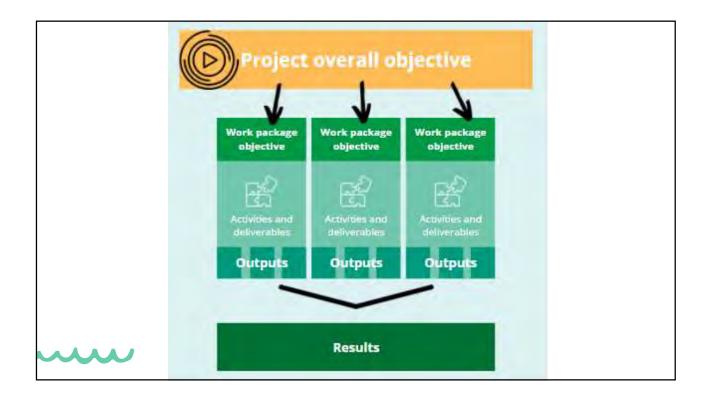
Priority 2: Stay in plenary

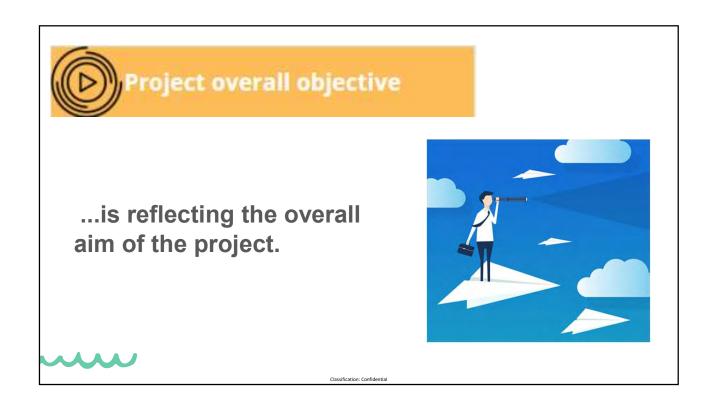
Priority 3: Galerie (1st floor)

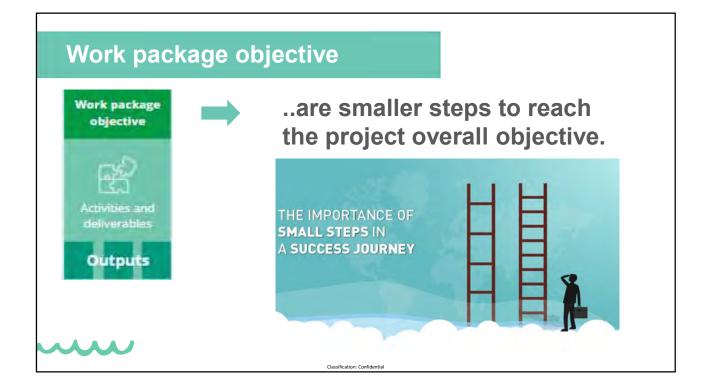
Priority 4: Seminarraum 2 (1st floor)

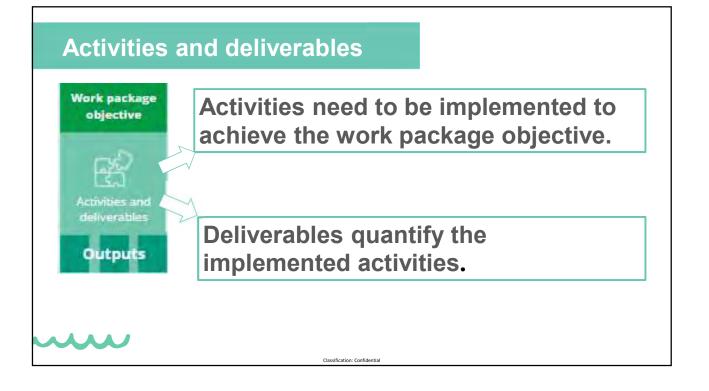
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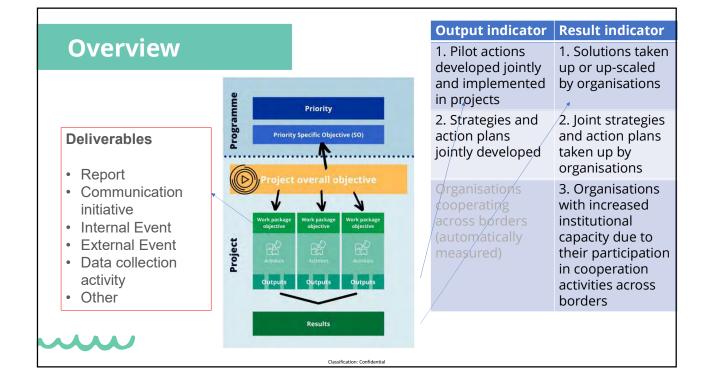




Results

...measure the wider uptake of the outputs and hence capture the accumulated benefits of all work packages.





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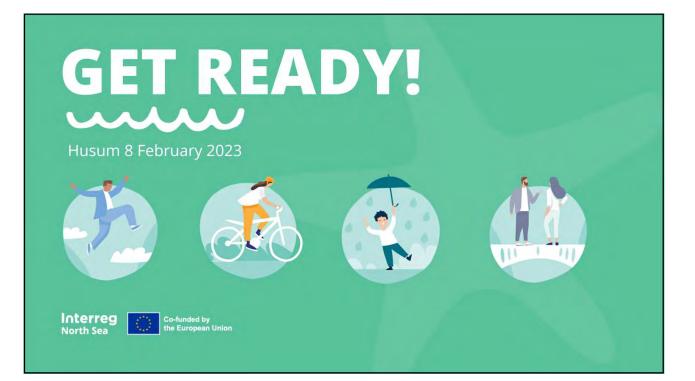
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Pilot actions developed jointly and implemented in projects	Solutions taken up or up-scaled by organisations	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	×	
Strategies and action plans jointly developed	Joint strategies and action plans taken up by organisations	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Organisations cooperating across borders (automatically measured)	Organisations with increased institutional capacity due to their participation in cooperation activities across borders	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

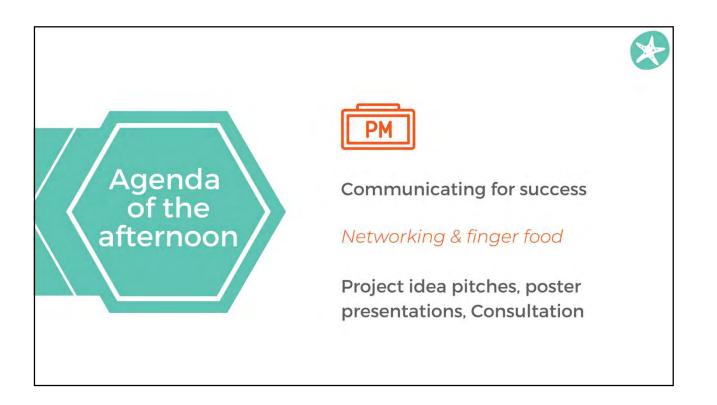
Difference between Expression of Interest and Full Application/ Small Scale Project

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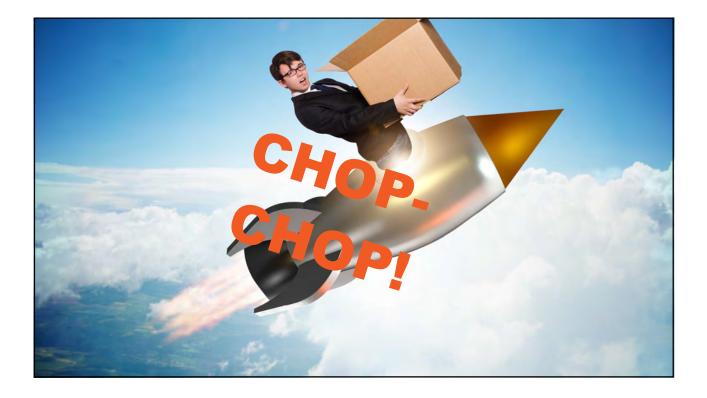










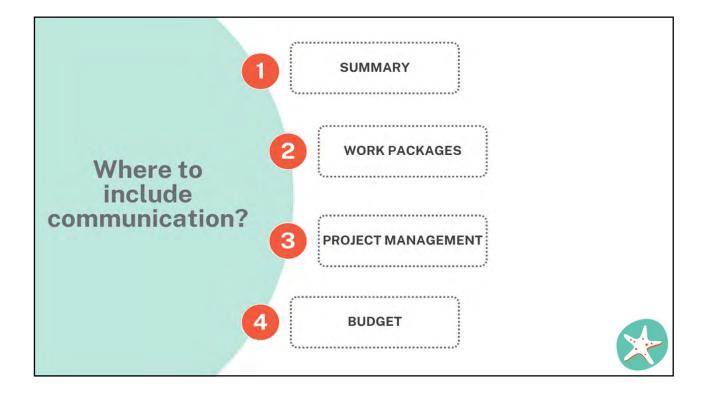


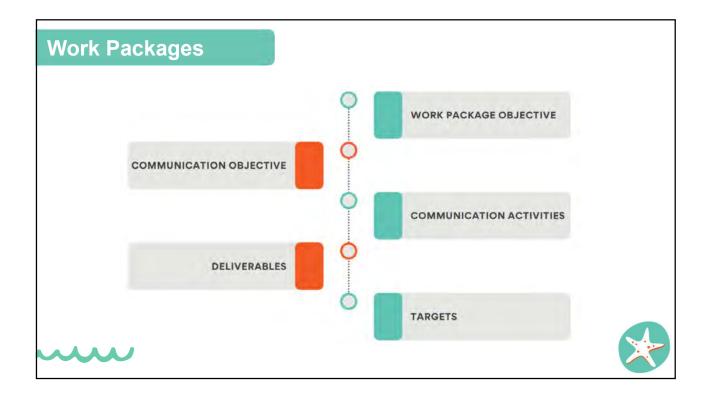






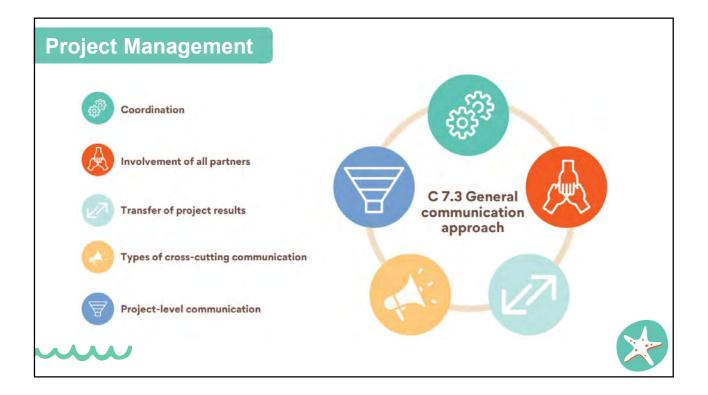
Communication & Application Form







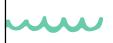
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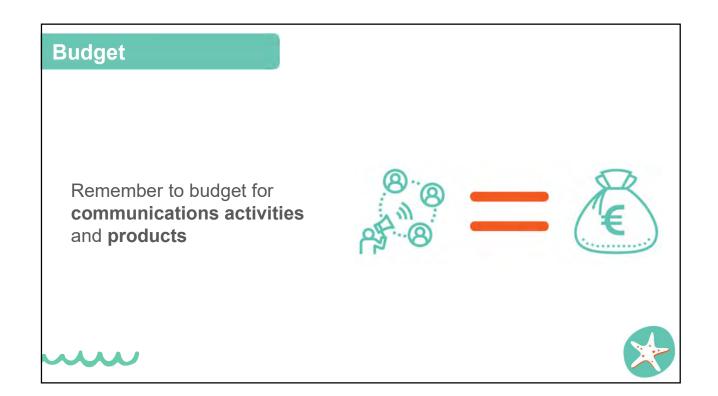
How does it look?

C.7.3 What will be the general approach you will follow to communicate about your project?

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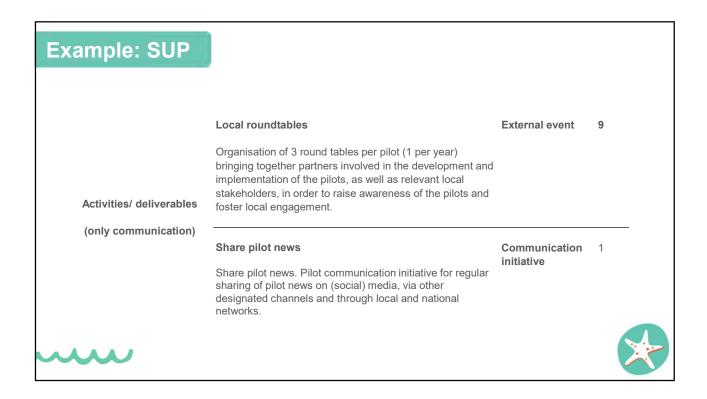




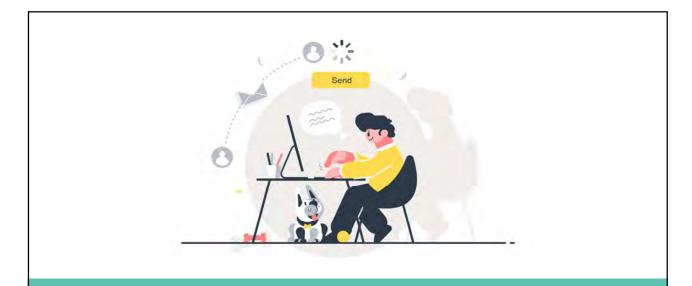


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	Load partner	Communicaiton2			21,500 C
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	D.1.2 External expertise and	l services			
	Partner	Description	Investment	Award Procedure	Amount
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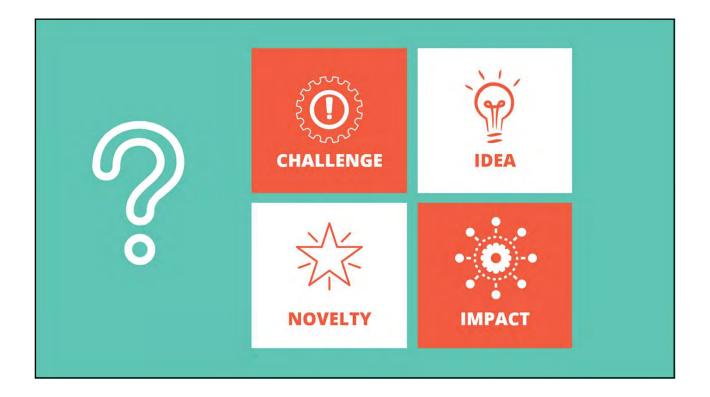
Overall project objective	Investigate, pilot and support the re-use of silt for dyke construction in North Sea river areas in order to foster climate resilience while making use of natural resources.
	Work plan
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Work package objective	Set up and conduct three pilots testing innovative techniques of silt use for dyke construction. The pilots will include all relevant steps from drying to cleaning and the subsequent shoring of silt in dykes.
Communicatio n objective	 Engage with local/national stakeholders to create goodwill, involvement and future impact with regards the pilots. Share progress with regards the development and implementation of the innovative techniques. Target audience: Local property owners Local policymakers Local territorial planners Local media National engineering association

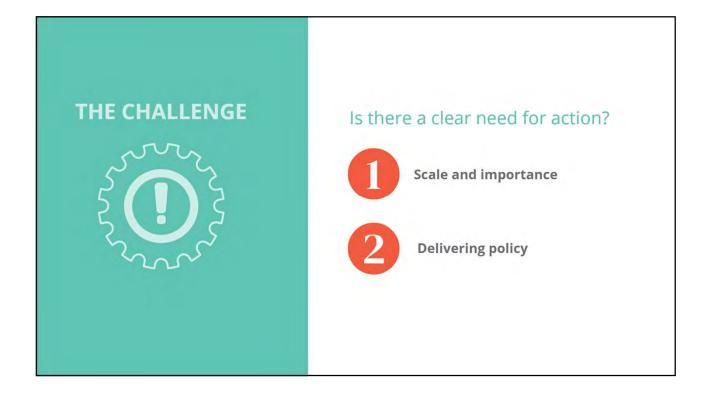


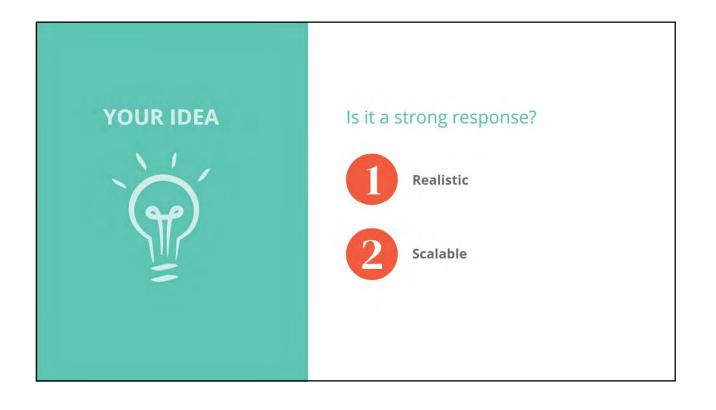


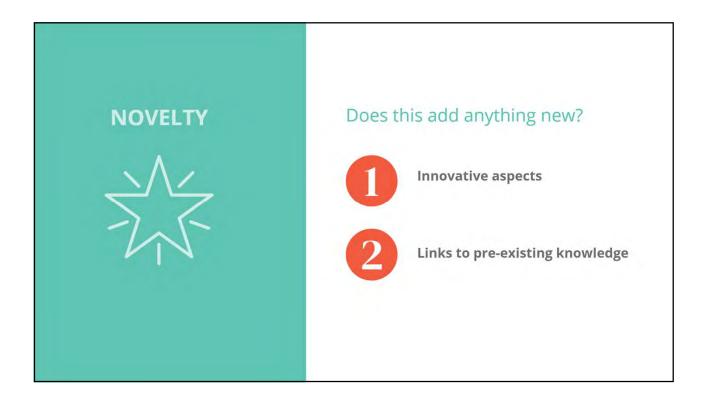


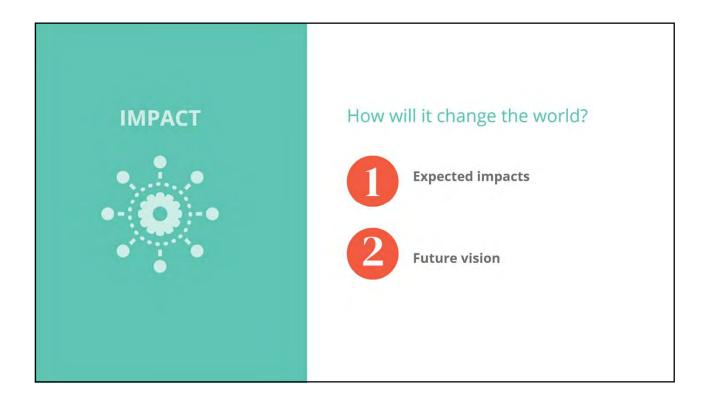
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