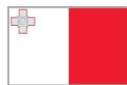


The Role of the Monitoring Committee

Operational Programme I
Fostering a Competitive and Sustainable Economy to
Meet our Challenges

**Monitoring
Committee Meeting**

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Legal Basis

- Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
- Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 240/2014
- In line with Article 47 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, Malta will set up a single Monitoring Committee for the Operational Programme I and the SME Initiative OP and a Monitoring Committee for the Operational Programme II.

Role and Membership

- The role of the MC is to satisfy itself as to the effectiveness and quality of the implementation of the Operational Programmes in line with Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013.
- In establishing the role and responsibilities of the Monitoring Committee, the principles of partnership set out in the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 240/2014 were respected.
- The membership of the Monitoring Committee was established in line with Article 48 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and in line with Article 10 of Delegated Act (EU) No 240/2014.

The Functions of the MC (1)

Examine and approve:

- The **methodology and criteria used for selection of operations** and any revision to the same criteria as proposed by the Managing Authority;
- The **Evaluation Plan** referred to in Article 114 (EU) 1303/2013 and any modification proposed by the Managing Authority;
- The **Communication Strategy** referred to in Article 116 (EU) 1303/2013 and any revision of this Strategy in accordance with the programming needs;
- Any proposal by the Managing Authority for any **amendment to the Operational Programme/s**;
- The **Annual and Final Reports** on implementation referred to in Article 50 (EU) 1303/2013;

The Functions of the MC (2)

Examine

- any issues that affect the **performance of the Operational Programmes** referred to in Article 110 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, including the conclusion of the performance reviews referred to in Article 49(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013;
- progress registered towards achieving the **specific targets of the Operational Programmes**, and the milestones defined in the **performance framework** referred to in Article 21(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013;
- the implementation of the **Communication Strategy; Evaluation Strategy; Major projects**; and actions to promote **equality, equal opportunities and non-discrimination**;

The Functions of the MC (3)

Examine the implementation of the:

- actions to promote **sustainable development**;
- progress on actions to fulfil the applicable **ex-ante conditionalities** not fulfilled at the date of the submission of the Partnership Agreement and the Operational Programme/s;
- **Financial Instruments** under the OPs;
- **SME Initiative Operational Programme** (where applicable);

The Functions of the MC (4)

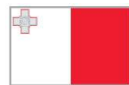
- Act as the Committee responsible to examine and approve the **annual and final implementation report for the 2007-2013 Operational Programme** and
- May make observations to the Managing Authority in line with **Article 49 (4) of (EU) No 1303/2013**.

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