

**PROGRAMME MANUAL** 

## NET REVENUES

Programme cofinancé par le Fonds Européen de Développement Régional (FEDER)

Programme cofinanced by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) As a general principle<sup>1</sup>, eligible expenditure of a project (and consequently the Union contribution to it) shall be reduced according to the net revenue generated by the project both during its implementation as well as until three years after its completion.

Net revenues are:

Cash in-flows directly paid by users for the goods or services provided by the project, such as charges borne directly by users for the use of infrastructure, sale or rent of land or buildings, or payments for services.

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Any operating costs and replacement costs of short-life equipment incurred during the corresponding period

Please note that operating cost-savings generated by the project shall be treated as net revenue unless they are offset by an equal reduction in operating subsidies.

In case of revenue-generating projects, applicants are to calculate the expected net revenues following the method described under Articles 15 to 19 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) No 480/2014.

Expected net revenues, generated during the project implementation and after completion, **are to be indicated in the budget of the Application Form** in order to offset the corresponding Union contribution. Applicants shall not indicate expected net revenues in the Application Form in the following cases:

- If the total budget of the project does not exceed EUR 1 000 000<sup>2</sup>;
- If the specific project output generating net revenue is State aid relevant.

In the case of net revenues not foreseen in the Application Form, the same rules would apply. Those have to be reported by concerned partners in each reporting period and checked by the FLC, to be included in a project payment claim submitted to the JS. The generation of revenues will be duly checked by the JS and any competent authority **during project implementation** as well as **after its complete closure**.

In any case, net revenues generated in the framework of project activities will be offset by a reduction of the corresponding EU contribution and if applicable, the restitution of the ERDF/IAP amounts paid by the Programme.

In accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 Articles 61 and 65, if a project generates net revenue for example through services, conference participation fees, sales of brochures or books, it must be deducted from eligible costs in full or pro-rata depending on whether it was generated

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In accordance with Articles 61 and 65(8) of Regulation (EU) 1303/2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please note that even if a project below EUR 1 000 000 total budget is exempted to include the forecast of expected net revenues in the Application Form, such project – in case of approval - must record and deduct from Union contribution net revenues generated during implementation or after closure.

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entirely or only partly by the co-financed project. The ERDF/IPA funding is calculated on the basis of the total cost after deduction of any net revenue. In line with Article 65, the revenues generated during the implementation period of the project, need to be reported at the latest with the final project payment claim.