



Erasmus+: Sport

Submission and Selection Procedure

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Erasmus+ Programme

- Long awaited programme (Preparatory Actions)
- Integrated programme (LLP, Youth, Sport)
- Ambitious programme (16,454 Billion – Sport, 265 Million)
- Adopted on 11 December 2013

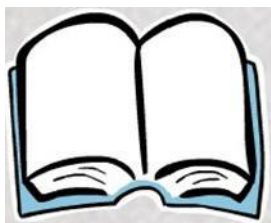


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The Idea



- Original and Innovative
- Fit to the Erasmus+ Sport Objectives and Priorities
- Appropriate to the actions available
- Able to involve partners



- Read the Erasmus + Programme Guide
- Read the EU Sport Policy documents



- Consult Compendia and Statistics
- Erasmus+ Project Results Database

The Actions

- ✓ **Small Collaborative partnerships**
- ✓ **Collaborative partnerships**
- ✓ **Not-for-profit European sport events**





European
Commission

Political priorities

Collaborative partnerships

- Doping / Match-fixing
- Education and Dual career
- Good governance
- Social inclusion
- Promotion of physical activity

Small Collaborative partnerships

- Social inclusion
- Traditional sport and games
- Mobility
- Protection of young athletes
- Education

European Sport Events

- Voluntary
- Social inclusion
- Promotion of physical activity
- European Week of Sport

Why Small Collaborative partnerships?

- ✓ Promote grassroots sport
- ✓ Increase participation of sport organisations
- ✓ Give more visibility to local projects
- ✓ Simplification of administrative procedures

Definition

Erasmus+ Legal Basis - Article 2 Definitions (24):

"Grassroots sport' means organised sport practised at local level by amateur sportspeople, and sport for all."

High Level Group on Grassroots sport:

" Grassroots sport is physical leisure activity, organised and non-organised, practised regularly at non-professional level for health, educational or social purposes."



Eligibility criteria

Any participating organisations established in a E+ Programme Country

Collaborative partnerships

- At least **5 organisations** from **5 different programme countries**.
- Duration: between **12 and 36 months**.
- EU Grant: 400 000 euros max.

Small Collaborative partnerships

- At least **3 organisations** from **3 different programme countries**.
- Duration: between **12 and 36 months**.
- EU Grant: 60 000 euros max.

Big or Small?

Collaborative partnerships

- Opportunity to develop, transfer and/or implement innovative outputs
- Engage into intensive dissemination and exploitation activities of existing and newly products

Small Collaborative partnerships

- Develop and reinforce network
- Increase their capacity to operate at transnational level
- Exchange good practices
- Confront ideas and methods

The Partners



- Check E+ Project Results Database / Compendia
- E+ Sport Info Day (ConnexMe)



- Work with your own networks
- Ideal mixture of skills and competences
- Partners need to find the results relevant and useful
- Involve them in all stages of drafting



- Do not involve partners only because you like them
- Do not contact them at the last minute
- Avoid to be an applicant if you do not have experience

The Criteria

Eligibility criteria

- Any organisation established in a Programme Country
- Minimum requirement for each action
- Official application forms
- Deadline (April 2020)

Award Criteria

- Relevance of the project
- Quality of the project design and implementation
- *Quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements*
- Impact and dissemination

Common mistakes

Eligibility criteria	Issues
Application package	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Description of the project not in the template- Budget proposal not in the template
Minimum partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Confusion between Programme and Partner Countries- Confusion between Partner Countries and partner organisations- Events – not enough Programme Countries
Deadline (April 2020)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Technical requirements- Late submission

Common mistakes

Award criteria	Issues
Relevance of the project	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Not entirely relevant to the sport objectives- No EU added value- No genuine needs analysis- Not innovative or complementary
Quality of the project design and implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Vague description- No focus- No consistency- Inflated budget (intellectual outputs)
Quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Appropriate partnership- Distribution of responsibilities and tasks- Essential added value (Partner Countries)
Impact and dissemination	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Weak impact- Weak sustainability- No sufficient dissemination tools and strategies

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The Funding Rules

	Small Collaborative Partnerships	Collaborative Partnerships	Not-for-profit European Sport Events
Financing Mechanism	Simplified: unit costs + real costs		real costs
Max. Grant	60 000 €	400 000 €	300 000 € 500 000 €
Duration	12/18/24 months	12/18/24/30/36 months	Up to 12 months
Type of contract	Mono-beneficiary	Multi-beneficiary	Mono-beneficiary
Pre-financing	Generally: 70 % of the grant awarded		

The Funding Rules

New financing method

- Fixed amount per month per applicant / partner organisation
- Fixed amount per participant and per meeting according to travel distance
- Fixed amount per working day for staff according to profile and country
- Fixed amount per local and international participants

- Simplified budget application form (Excel file)
- Project co-financing included in the calculation of the EU grant
- No audit certificate to be provided
- No financial capacity check for Small collaborative partnerships

The Good Proposal

- **Coherent** (problems, solutions, target groups, activities, budget, ambitions/resources/competence)
- **Simple** (objectives, approach)
- **Evidence based** (ex-ante needs analysis, state of art)
- **Clear** (identifying the need for such proposal, the solutions, and the outputs)
- **Rigorous in its planning** (which activities, when, for how long, and with what resources)
- **Explicit** (do not take for granted any information, if it is not in the application it cannot be taken into account)
- **Circumscribed** (a proposal is not about solving the world's problems, but about solving a specific issue)

The Application Package

Electronic Form



3 Compulsory annexes

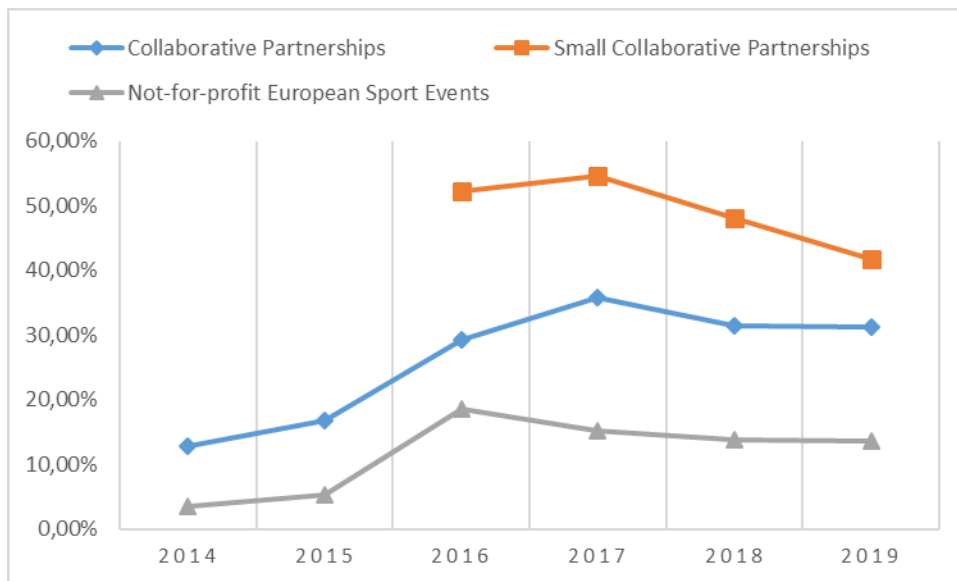
- 1) Description of the project
- 2) Budget proposal
- 3) Declaration of honour

The Electronic Submission

- You need the PIC for all organisations involved
- Not all information about partners come automatically from PIC
- All mandatory fields must be completed
- The eForm must be validated
- All compulsory annexes must be attached
- The security settings of your PC must be checked
- The deadline must be respected

E+ Sport - Evolution

ACTIONS	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Collaborative Partnerships	12,79%	16,79%	29,17%	35,79%	31,39%	31,23%
Small Collaborative Partnerships			52,21%	54,55%	48,16%	41,73%
Not-for-profit European Sport Events	3,49%	5,19%	18,56%	15,15%	13,75%	13,63%





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