

Addendum to Terms of Reference call 3 for referred back projects

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I. Introduction

These terms of reference apply only to projects having submitted an Application form in the framework of the 3rd call for proposals and having been referred back by the Programme Monitoring Committee decision taken on the 13 July 2017.

Project that have been referred back for operational reasons are considered not yet ready for approval. However, the Programme Monitoring Committee considered this group of projects could tackle the issues highlighted in the notification letter in a relatively short period of time. That is why this first group of projects are allowed to submit a revised Application Form by the first deadline reported under paragraph 2 below.

Projects that have been referred back for strategic reasons are considered not yet ready for approval. The Programme Monitoring Committee considered that this group of projects needed more fundamental changes and therefore more time to rework their Application Form. This is why projects falling under this second group are allowed to submit a revised Application Form by the second deadline indicated under paragraph 2 below.

II. Decision making process and timeframe

The **opening of the call** will be on the **01/08/2017**.

The application process is **100% paperless**.

It is reminded that only 1 resubmission is allowed.

A. Project having been referred back for operational reasons (RBO projects):

1. RBO projects can submit a revised **Application Form by the 03/10/2017 (23:59 Brussels time)**.
The Application Form will only need to be provided **in English**.
2. RBO projects need to upload in the Electronic Exchange Platform all obligatory annexes **by the 09/11/2017 (23:59 Brussels time)**.
3. The Programme Monitoring Committee will take a decision **on the 23/11/2017**.
4. RBO projects will receive a notification letter containing the **final decision by the first half of December 2017**.
5. **The decision will be either an approval or a rejection of the project.**

In case projects that have been referred back for operational reasons do not consider feasible a submission within this timeframe, applicants are free to decide waiting and submit within the timeframe reported under paragraph B below.

B. Project having been referred back for strategic reasons (RBS projects):

1. RBS projects can submit a revised **Application Form by the 14/11/2017 (23:59 Brussels time)**.
The Application Form will only need to be provided **in English**.
2. RBS projects need to upload in the Electronic Exchange Platform all obligatory annexes **by the 19/01/2018 (23:59 Brussels time)**.
3. The Programme Monitoring Committee will take a decision **by the beginning of February 2018**.
4. Lead Applicants will receive a notification letter containing the **final decision by mid-February 2018**.
5. **The decision will be either an approval or a rejection of the project.**

III. Timeline of the call

