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Information on the implementation of decisions taken at the First IPARD III MC session and information on changes of the MC members

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EC Decision on adoption of the First Modification of the IPARD III Programme



Request for rollover of the already entrusted IPARD measures



Letter of closure regarding rollover of the already entrusted IPARD measures



DG AGRI audit mission



- The First Modification of the IPARD III Programme was adopted by the Decision of the European Commission *Ref. Ares(2023) 7208680* of 23.10.2023;
- IPARD III Programme is in the process of gathering the opinions of other ministries;
- Adoption by the Government of the RS is expected.



- In August 2023, the National Authorising Officer submitted to the European Commission a request for rollover of already entrusted IPARD measures (Measure 1, Measure 3, Measure 7 and Measure 9).



- The European Commission, by letter number: PRE/2023/009/RS/CLO, dated 22nd November 2023, submitted a letter of closure to the Republic of Serbia regarding rollover of already entrusted IPARD with two conditions;
- Submitting a response to the European Commission regarding the set conditions;
- Final Decision of the European Commission and signing of the Financing Agreement.



- The DG AGRI audit mission was carried out from 30th November to 1st December 2023;
- During the audit mission, the topic of conditional entrustment of budget implementation tasks for the IPARD III Programme was also discussed;
- Submitting a response to the European Commission by the Republic of Serbia, in order for the European Commission to additionally consider the justification of the set conditions.

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Extension of the deadline for absorption of funds from the financial allocation for 2020 under the IPARD II Programme

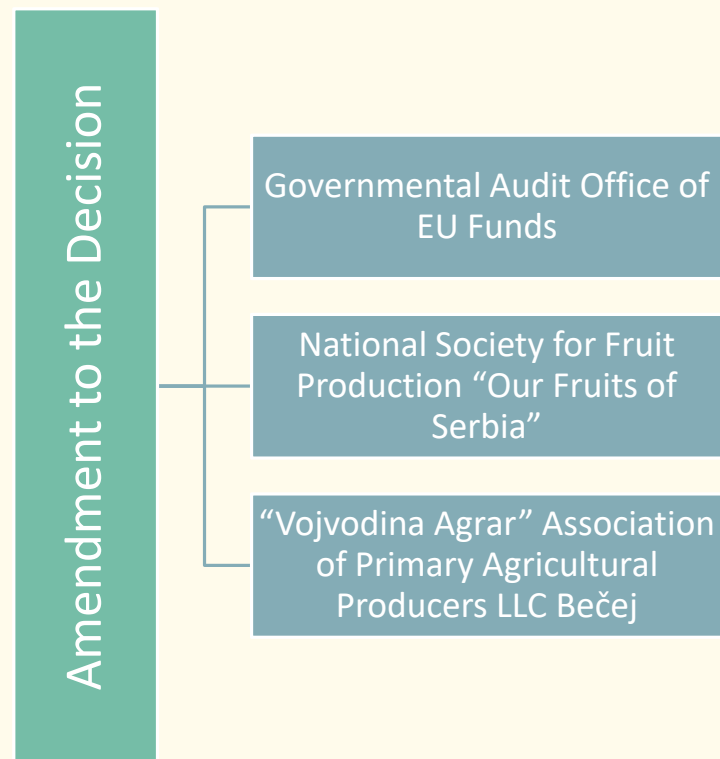
Request for extension of the deadline for absorption of funds from allocation for 2020 with the Action plan for Improvement of Absorption of IPARD Funds for 2023 and 2024 was submitted to the European Commission

European Commission approved extension of the deadline for absorption of allocation for 2020

Realisation of the activities envisaged by the Action plan for Improvement of Absorption of IPARD Funds for 2023 and 2024

Meetings of the Working Group for Monitoring and Reporting of the European Commission on realisation of the activities envisaged by the Action plan for Improvement of Absorption of IPARD Funds

Changes of the IPARD III MC members:



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ACTION PLAN FOR THE MEASURE 9: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE 2024

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M9 - TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



General objective

To build-up modern public administration for agriculture and rural development in the RS, respecting good governance principles, as well as to improve community development and social capital in rural areas

Specific objectives:

- Providing support for the monitoring and evaluation of the IPARD Programme
- Ensuring an adequate flow of information and publicity regarding the IPARD Programme
- Supporting studies, trainings, visits and seminars to improve the capacity of IPARD administrations and of recipients
- Providing support for external expertise
- Support for establishment and preparation of pLAGs
- Providing support for the improvement of the capacity of the national advisory services, to be able to provide advise under Measure 10 - “Advisory services” - in IPARD Programme
- Improving the capacity of local entities (e.g. municipalities, regional entities) supporting the implementation of the IPARD Programme
- Strengthening the national administration managing the IPARD Programme

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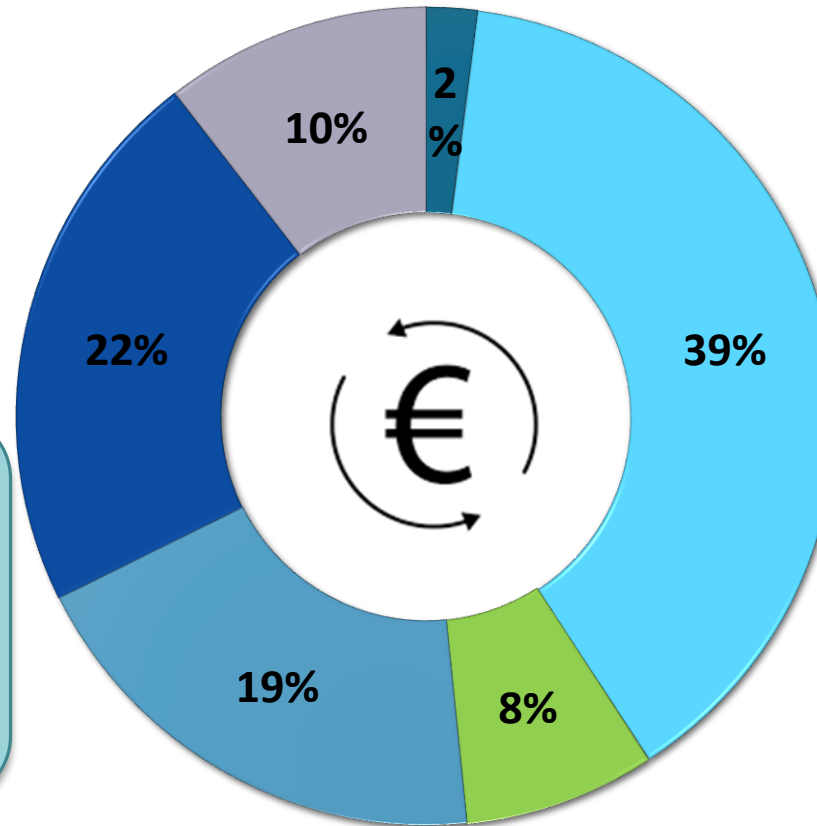


ACTION PLAN FOR 2024

Structure of the expenditures per group of activities in total budget for 2024

 **TOTAL BUDGET FOR 2024**
1.141.478,00

EU CONTRIBUTION
970.256,30



- Functioning of the MC (2,04%)
- Promotion and visibility of the IPARD Programme (38,77%)
- IPARD entities capacity building (7,56%)
- "Acquisition of skills" to prepare potential LAGs (19,30%)
- Preparation, reduction of the administrative burden for recipients or streamlining of implementation of measures (21,81%)
- Evaluation of the IPARD II Programme (10,51%)

9.1. Expenditure related to the functioning of the Monitoring Committee

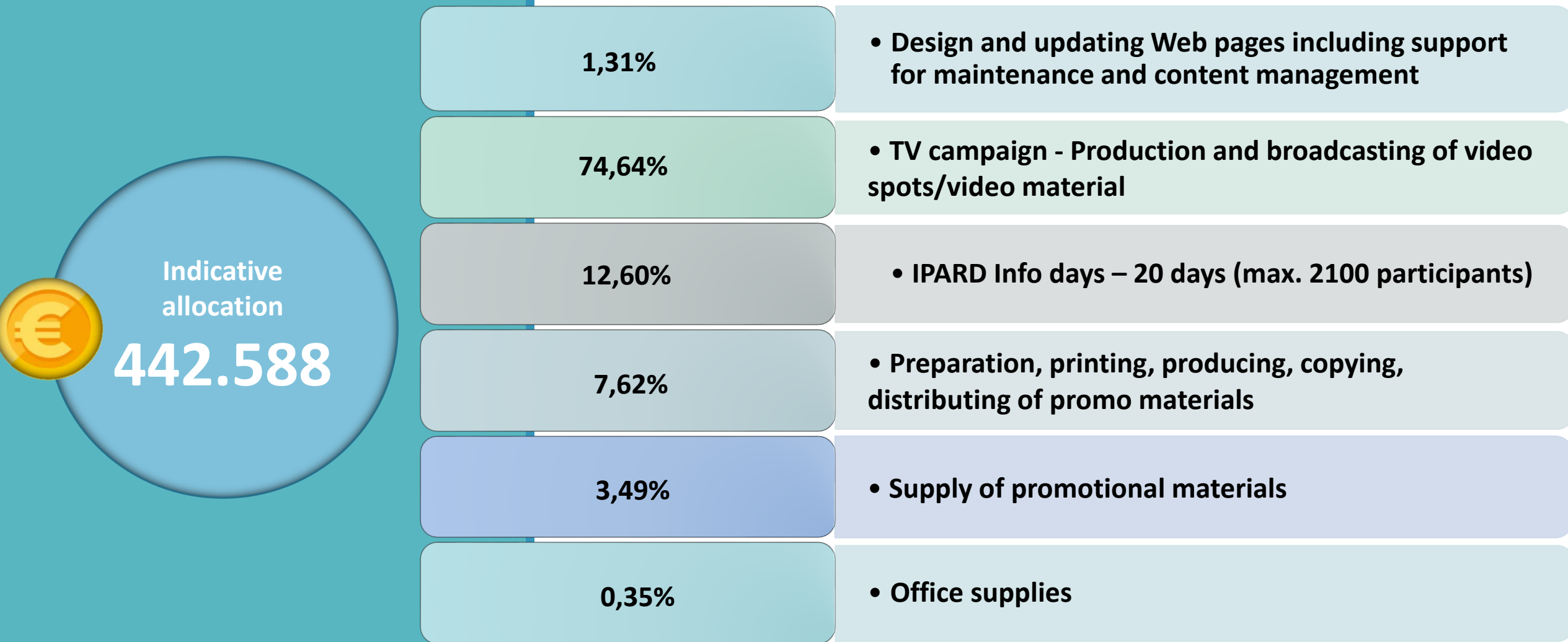
Organisation of MC

Three day
autumn MC
out of
Belgrade
EUR 23.286

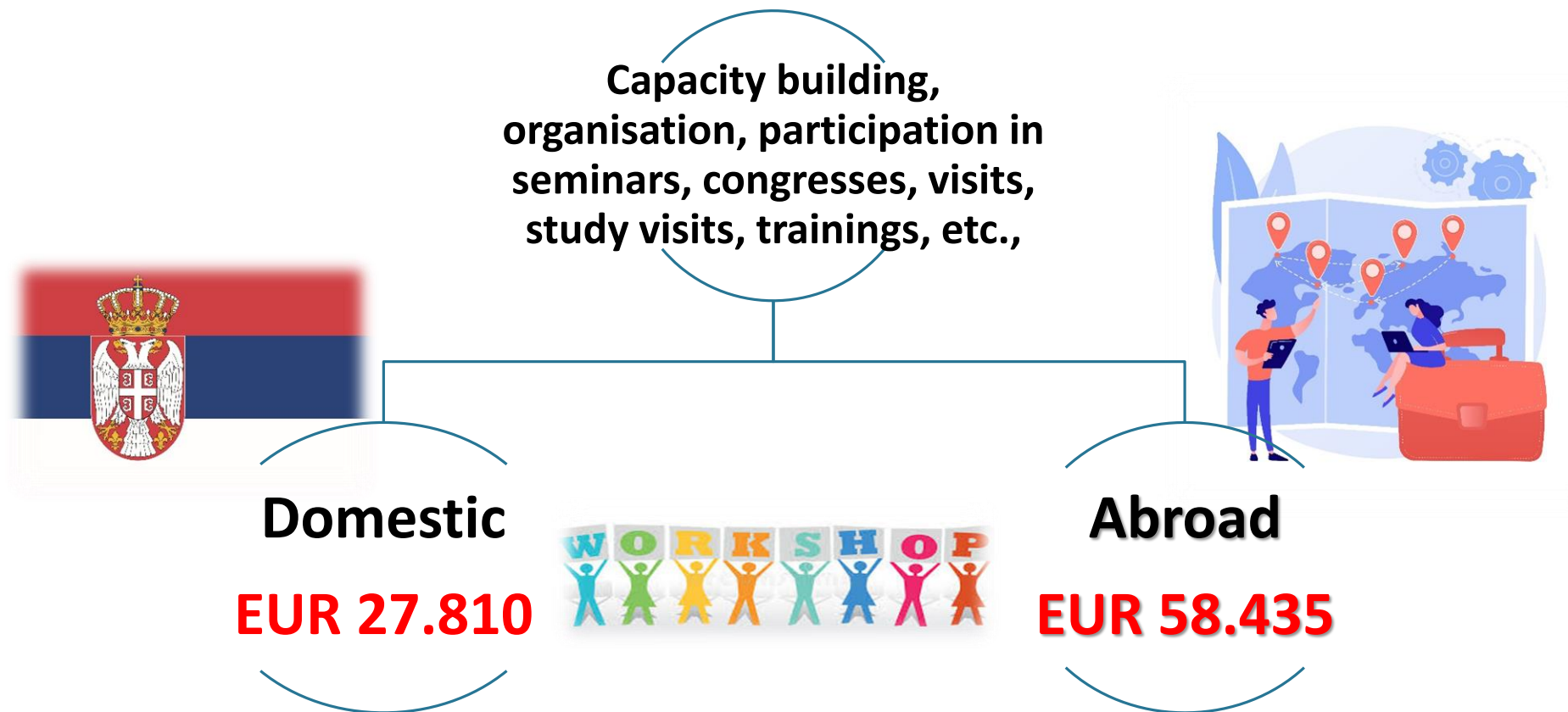
- Field visits
- Rental of facilities
- Equipment
- Accommodation
- Catering
- Translation
- All cost for participants



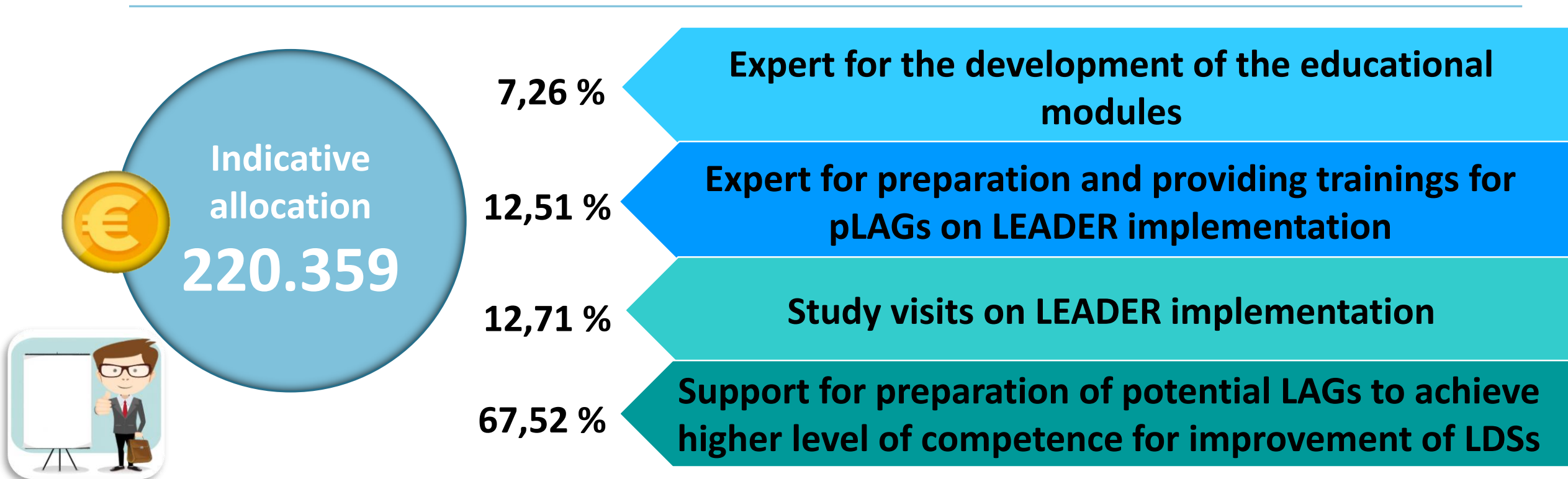
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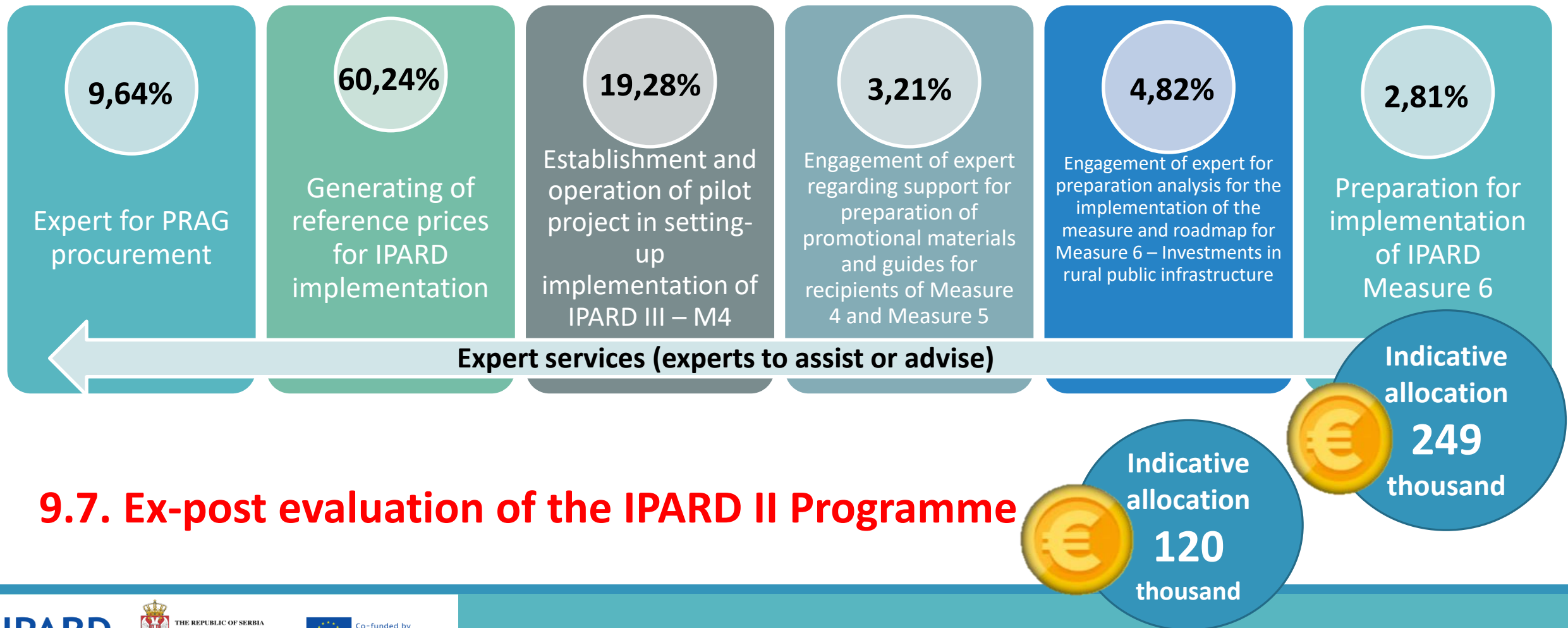
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9.7. Ex-post evaluation of the IPARD II Programme

Recipients of IPARD support



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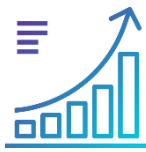
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IPARD PROGRAMME

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IPARD AGENCY

Belgrade, December 2023



Implementation in Figures

Applications

Requested support:
305,95 mills. EUR



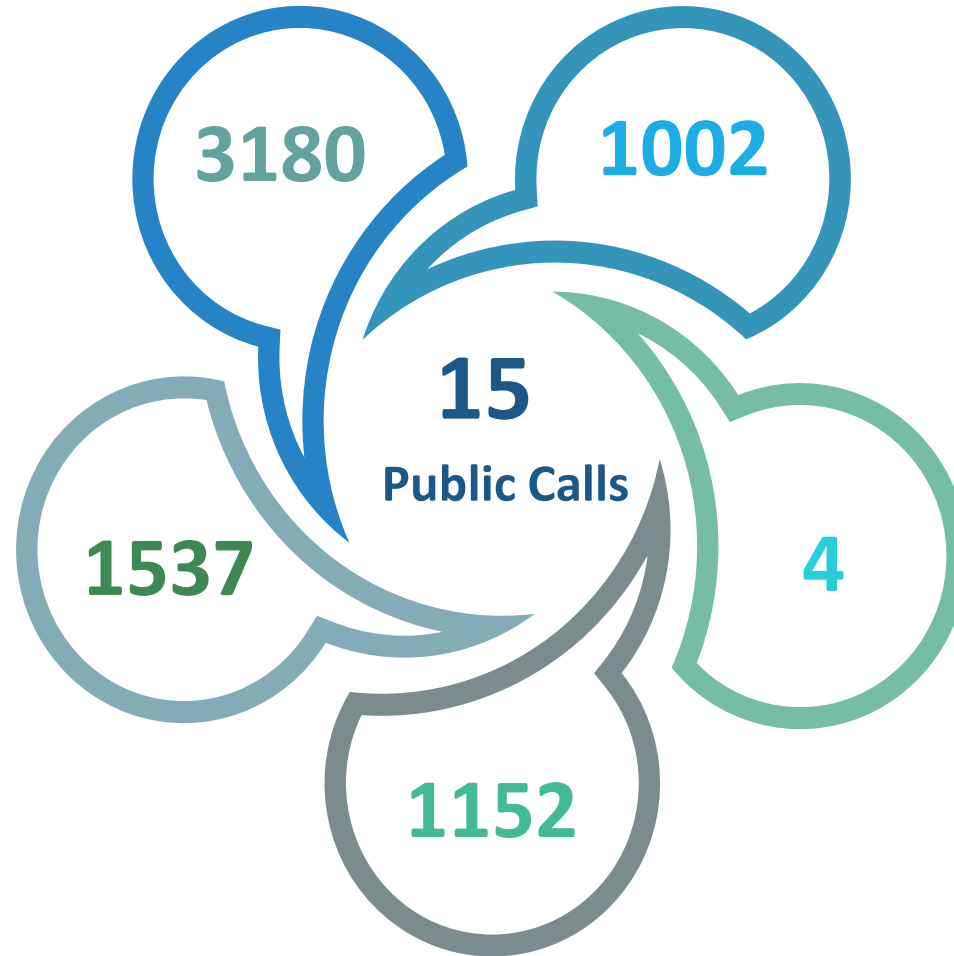
Awarded contracts

Approved amount of support:
146,10 mills. EUR



Payment requests

Requested support:
82,41 mills. EUR



Recipients

Paid funds:
68,79 mills. EUR



Measures

Allocated funds:
175 mills. EUR
*-16,51 mills. EUR
de-committed*

Cut off date: 11/12/2023

State of play



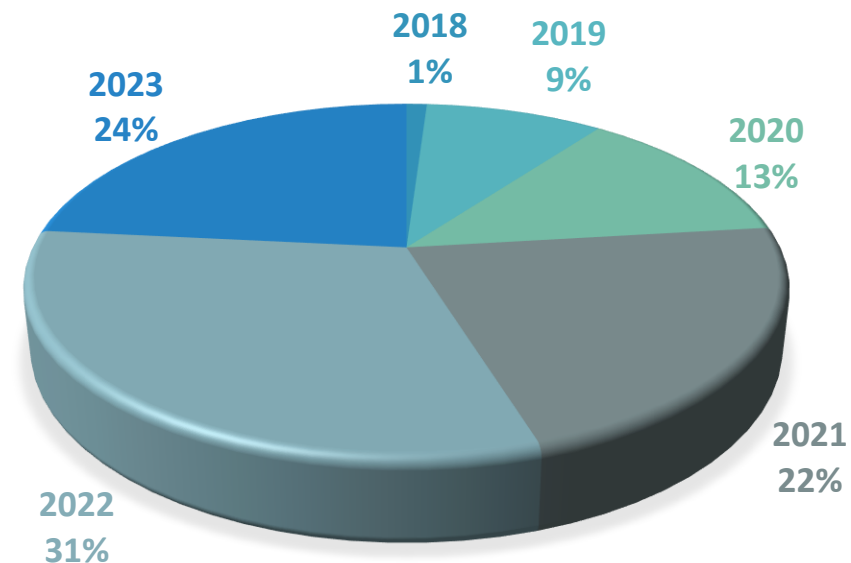
Measure	APPLICATIONS		CONTRACTED PROJECTS		FINAL PAYMENT		ADVANCE PAYMENT		PAID FUNDS (final payment + advance)	
	N°	Requested support	N°	Approved amount of support	N°	Paid funds	N°	Paid funds	N°	Paid funds
M1	2.260	205.207.150	1.180	82.655.118	853	44.441.833	25	3.531.253	878	47.973.086
M3	313	97.284.032	169	40.361.960	78	14.527.895	21	4.397.132	99	18.925.027
M7	605	105.421.424	188	23.081.720	6	372.849	19	1.521.398	25	1.894.247
M9	2	18.813	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	3.180	407.931.419	1.537	146.098.798	937	59.342.578	65	9.449.783	1.002	68.792.361



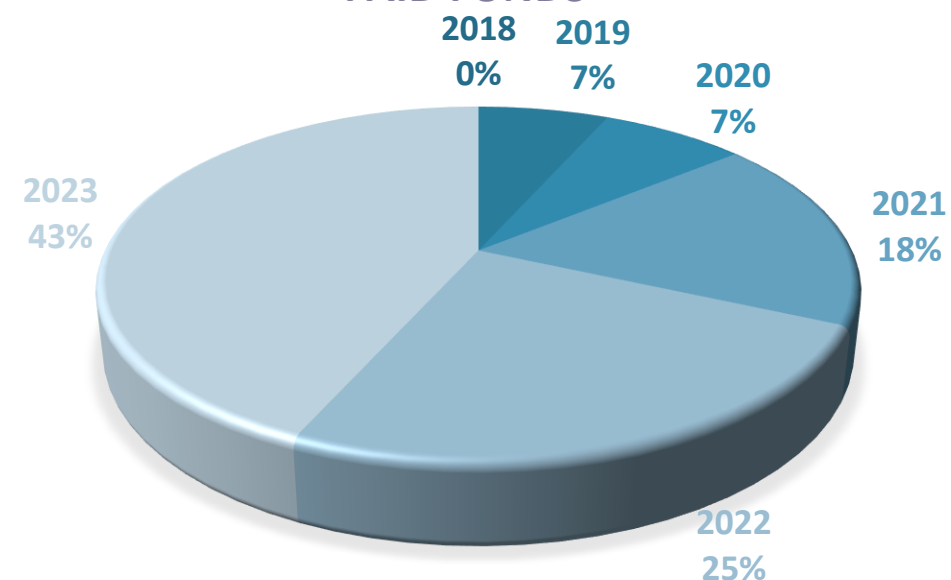
Year-by-year realization

Cut off date: 11/12/2023	APPLICATIONS		CONTRACTED PROJECTS		PAYMENT REQUESTS		PAID FUNDS	
	N°	Requested support	N°	Approved amount of support	N°	Requested support	N°	Paid funds
2018	736	151.357.649	22	1.520.324	10	212.276	0	0
2019	701	155.684.245	244	13.296.794	175	5.891.523	145	4.577.520
2020	311	75.314.567	332	18.957.127	177	9.807.325	72	5.112.389
2021	774	288.186.832	239	32.268.667	223	12.817.760	293	12.113.315
2022	657	40.094.054	381	45.839.080	190	19.678.824	165	17.221.415
2023	1	12.513	319	34.216.805	377	33.999.782	327	29.767.721
Total:	3.180	698.785.599	1.537	146.098.798	1.152	82.407.490	1.002	68.792.361

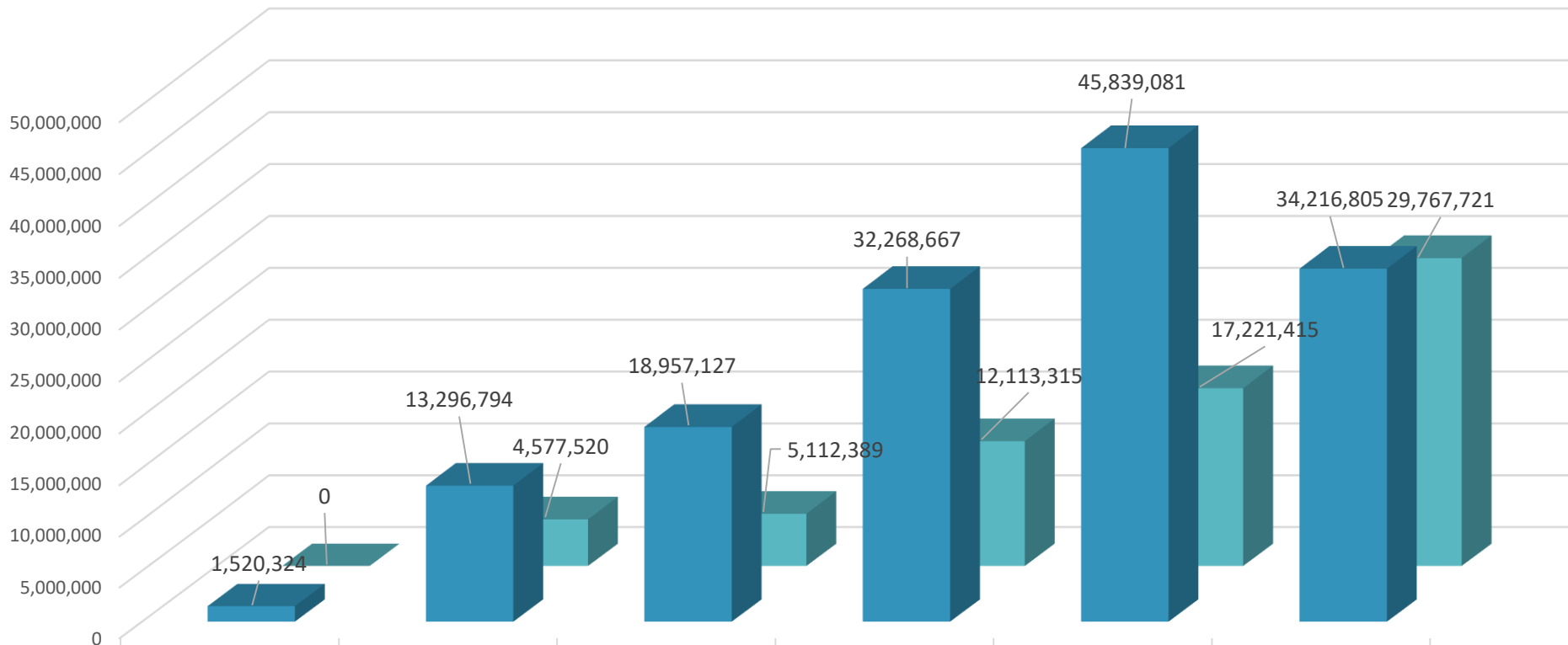
APPROVED AMOUNT OF SUPPORT



PAID FUNDS



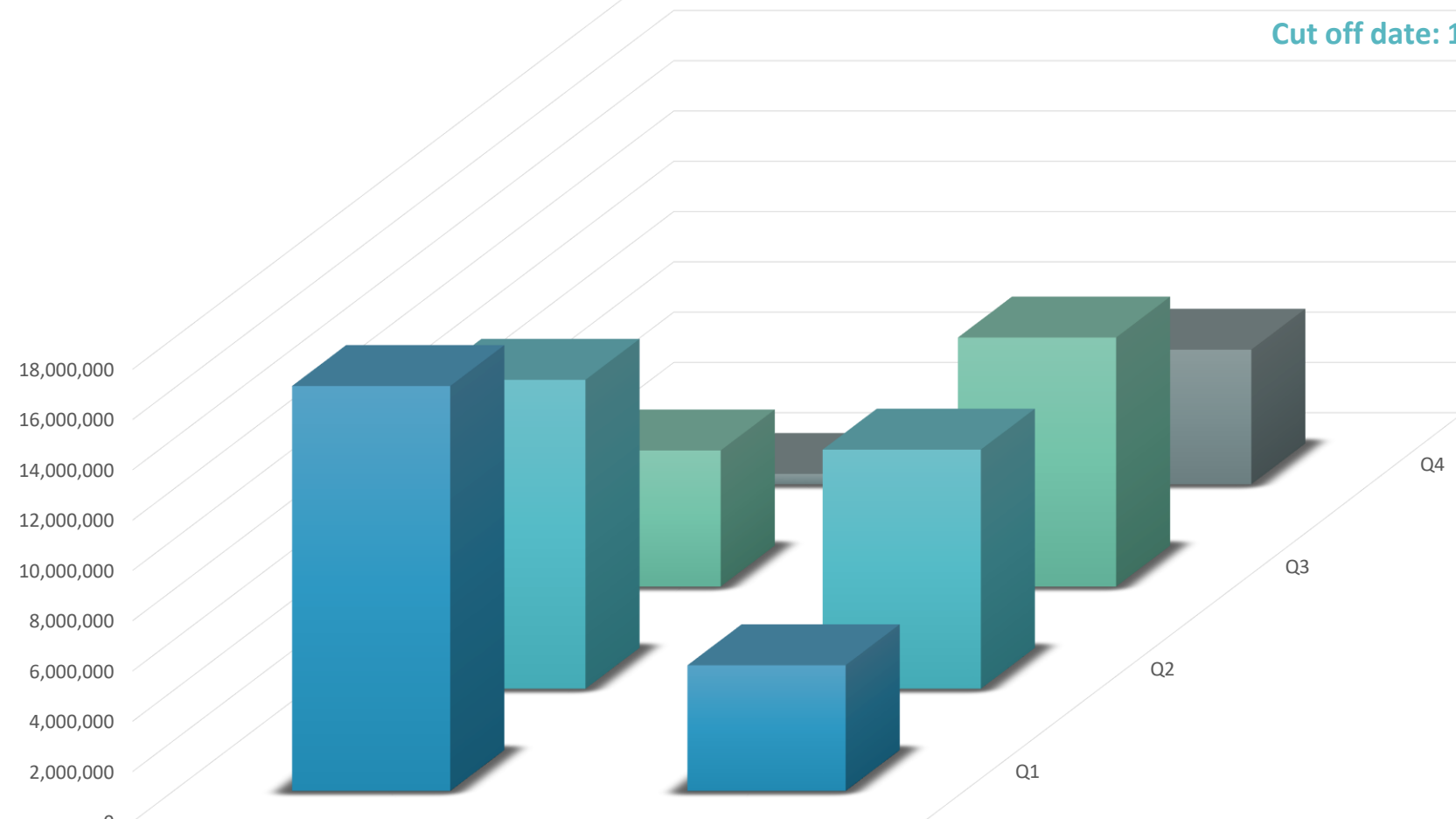
Year-by-year realization



	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Contracted projects	1,520,324	13,296,794	18,957,127	32,268,667	45,839,081	34,216,805
Paid funds	0	4,577,520	5,112,389	12,113,315	17,221,415	29,767,721

■ Contracted projects ■ Paid funds

Realization in 2023



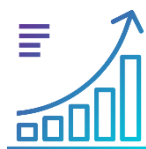
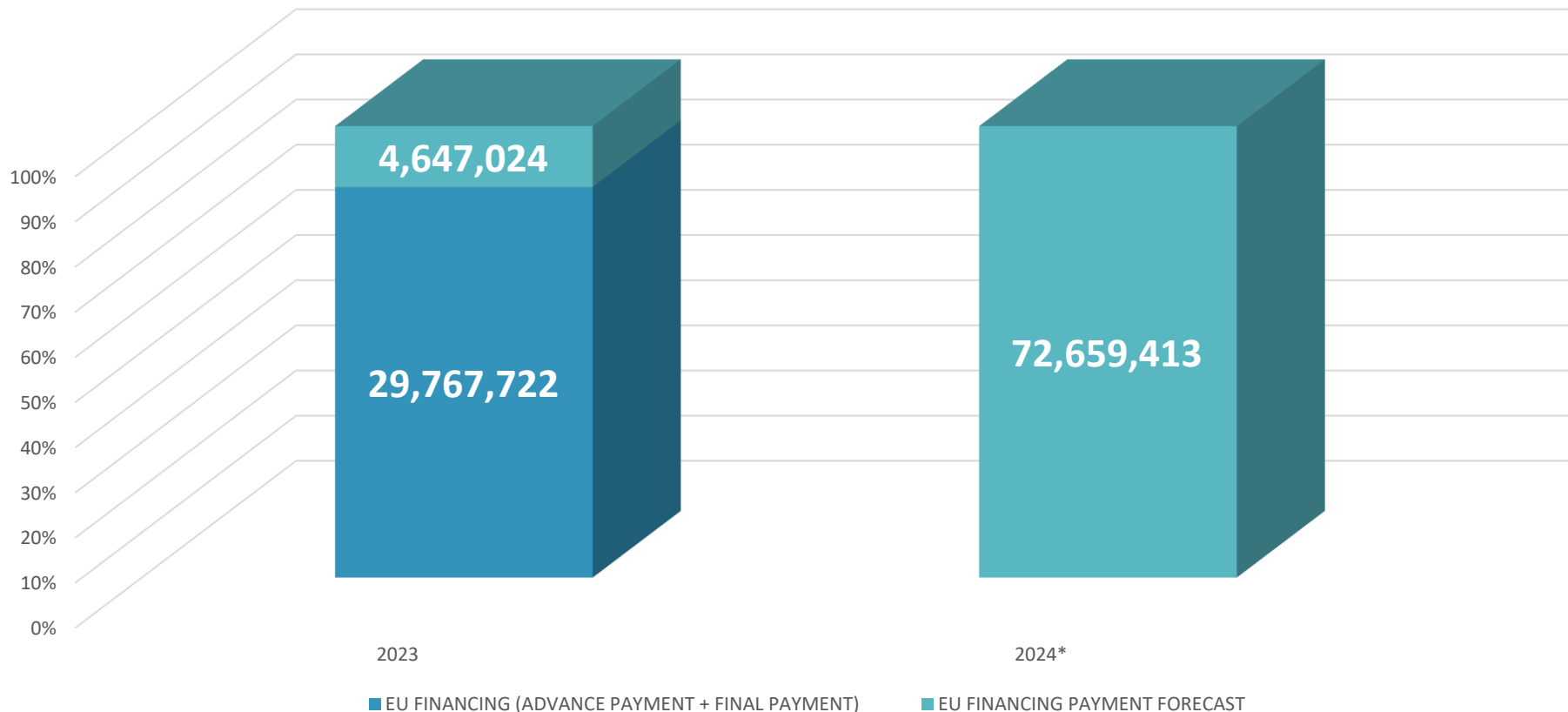
	Contracted projects	Paid funds
■ Q1	16,107,351	5,000,914
■ Q2	12,286,497	9,510,689
■ Q3	5,411,470	9,903,143
■ Q4	411,487	5,352,976

■ Q1 ■ Q2 ■ Q3 ■ Q4



2023 - 2024 PAYMENT FORECAST (for contracted projects)

2023-2024 forecast



***Extension approved according to N+4 rule for the year 2020, which will allow us to execute payments from EU funds for 354 contracted projects**

HR - permanent efforts to create a stable and effective system

232 systematized IPARD positions
162 permanently employed
33 temporary employees

Ensuring continuity by staffing the management structure with long-term appointments

- ### DAP director was appointed for a five-year term in 2023
- ### Five assistant directors were appointed for a five-year term in 2023
- ### The On-the-Spot Control Sector and the IT Sector currently have acting assistant directors. The process of appointing them for a five-year term is undergoing extensive development (Public competition to fill the position of OTSCS assistant director is ongoing).

Continuous announcement of vacancies

Public competitions in 2023 :

- Public competition to fill the 32 IPARD positions, launched on May 17, 2023, is completed
- 20 employees will start work in January 2024

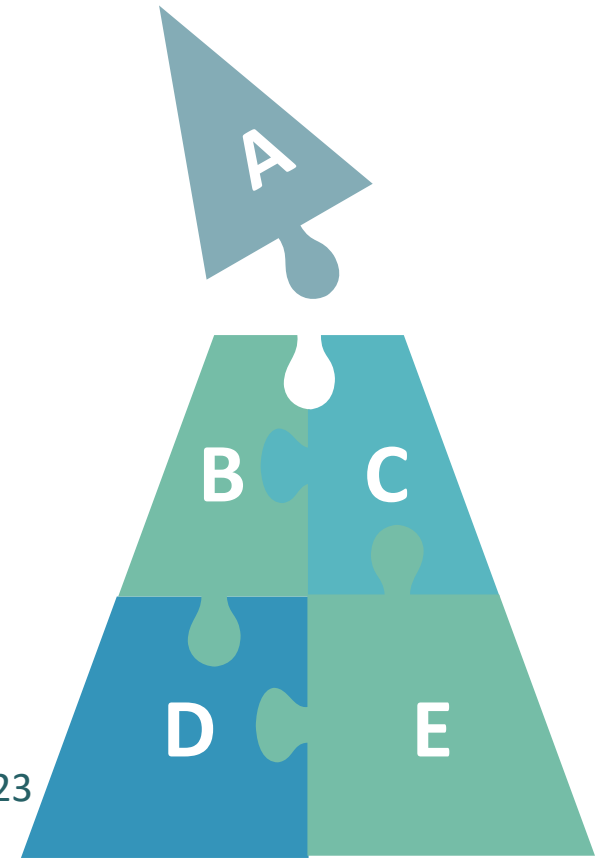
Public competitions in 2024 :

- Public competition to fill the 20 IPARD positions is planned to be launched in April 2024

The Preparation of the new Systematization Act

Retention policy

- ### The Government of RS allows IA to systematize more senior ranks
- ### 8 civil servants were promoted to a higher position, and 16 were rewarded with higher salary grade in 2023
- ### Civil servants' salaries will be raised by 10% on January 1, 2024





Re(accreditation) process

- **The official request for re-accreditation of M1, M3, M7 and M9 was sent to DG AGRI in August 2023**
 - After reviewing the request, DG AGRI sent an affirmative answer on November 22, 2023
 - Addressing conditions for the fulfilment of IA capacities and appointment of all assistant directors
- **Preparation of rulebooks for IPARD III measures M1, M3, M7 and M9**
 - Rulebook for Measure 1 is in the procedure of adoption
 - Preparatinon for the first public calls
- **Roll-over**
 - Aligment of the existing accredited procedures to the requirements of the new program cycle
 - Procedures for implementation of M1, M3, M7 and M9 that do not depend on the adoption of the rulebooks have been prepared and reviewed by the IA Internal Audit
 - Audit opinions were given for this part of the Accreditation Package
 - Procedures that depend on the rulebooks will be updated as soon as the final version of the Rulebook is agreed
- **Preparation for the development of the procedures for measures that have not been implemented so far - Measure 4 and Measure 5**



Strengthening institutional capacities for the implementation of the IPARD III



- **The Proposal of a new Systematization Act is being prepared**
 - in accordance with the requirement to introduce new IPARD measures
 - more IPARD positions are to be systematized
- **Training plan for 2024**
 - **For new employees:**
 - Introductory training: scope of work, organizational structure and procedures of IA
 - IPARD III - procedures for implementation of M1, M3, M7 and M9
 - The concept of irregularity
 - Support of a mentor during the first six months is provided
 - **For all employees**
 - IPARD III - implementation of the M4, M5 and M9

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First public call under the IPARD III Programme

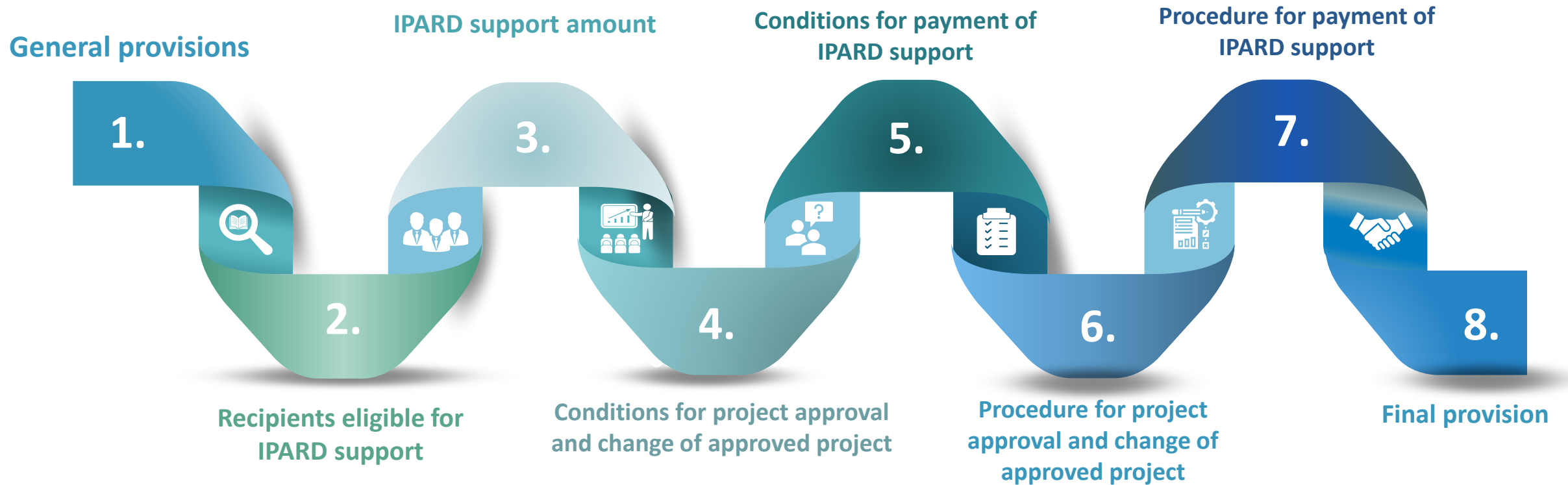
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Novelties in the Rulebook for implementation of M1

The structure of the Rulebook for IPARD subsidies for Investments in Physical Assets of Agricultural Holdings within the IPARD III Programme



Novelties in the Rulebook for implementation of M1



Meaning of terms

Attention should be paid to these terms:

1. Eligible sectors of investments;
2. Investments in renewable energy production;
3. Investments in construction of facilities;
4. Investments in biosafety measure on AH;
5. Machinery and mechanisation for conservation land cultivation;
6. Innovative product.



Category and legal form of legal entity

New Articles within the Rulebook:

1. General conditions;
2. Special conditions.



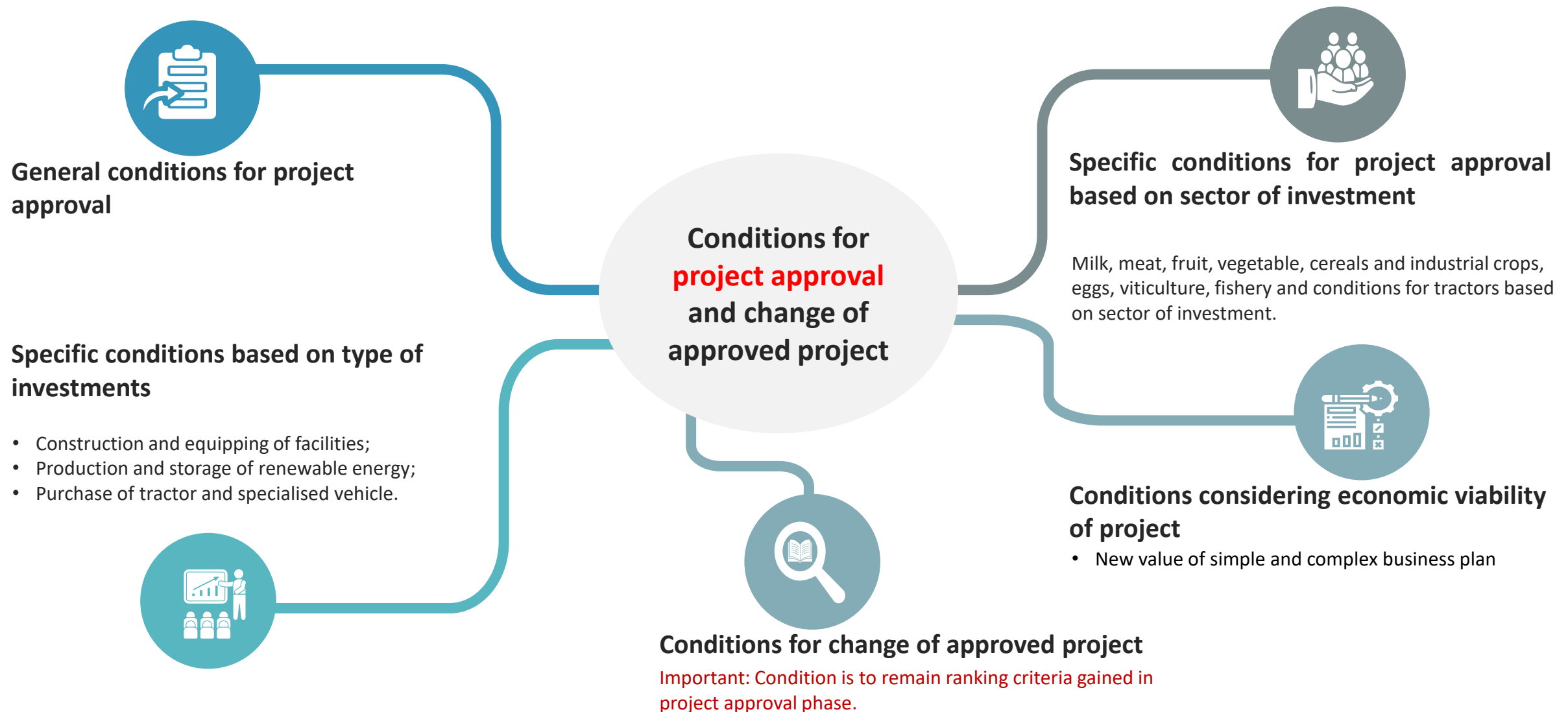
IPARD support amount

Attention should be paid to:

1. Non-eligible expenditures;
2. Amount of eligible general costs;
3. Determination of percentage of IPARD support;
4. Minimum and maximum amount of IPARD support.

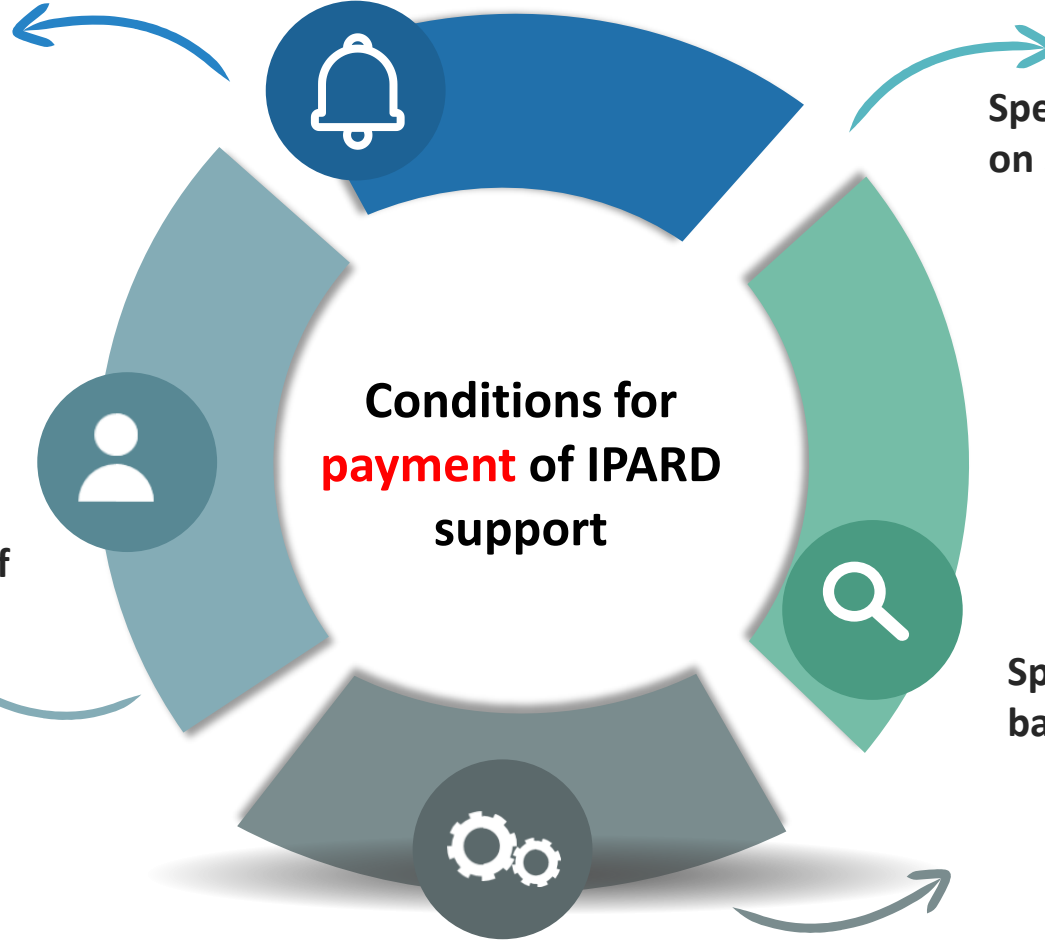


Novelties in the Rulebook for implementation of M1



Novelties in the Rulebook for implementation of M1

Conditions for advance payment of IPARD support



Specific conditions for final payment based on sector of investment

- Construction and equipping of facilities;
- Production and storage of renewable energy;
- Purchase of tractor and specialised vehicle;
- Purchase of a drone.

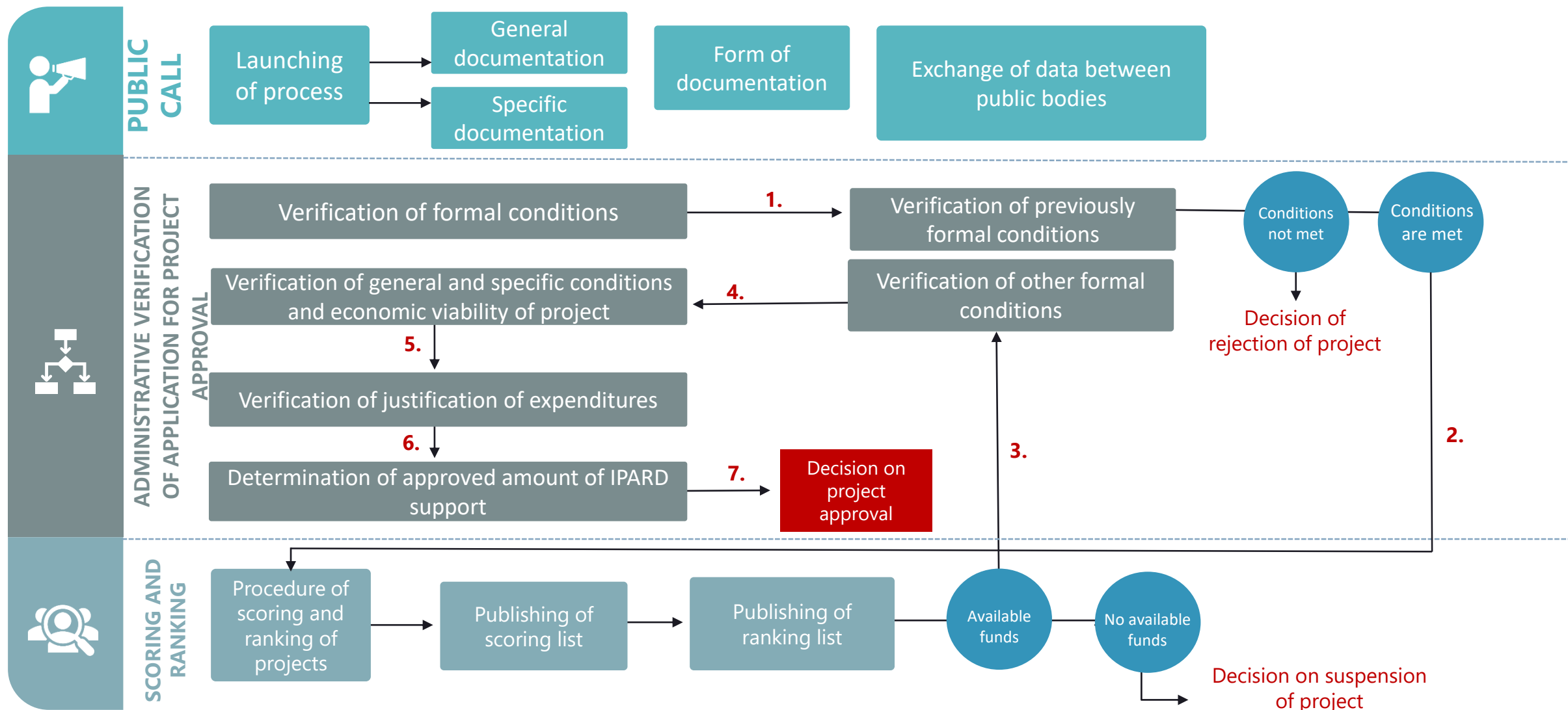
General conditions for final payment of IPARD support

Important: Recipient has to keep selection criteria gained in project approval phase.

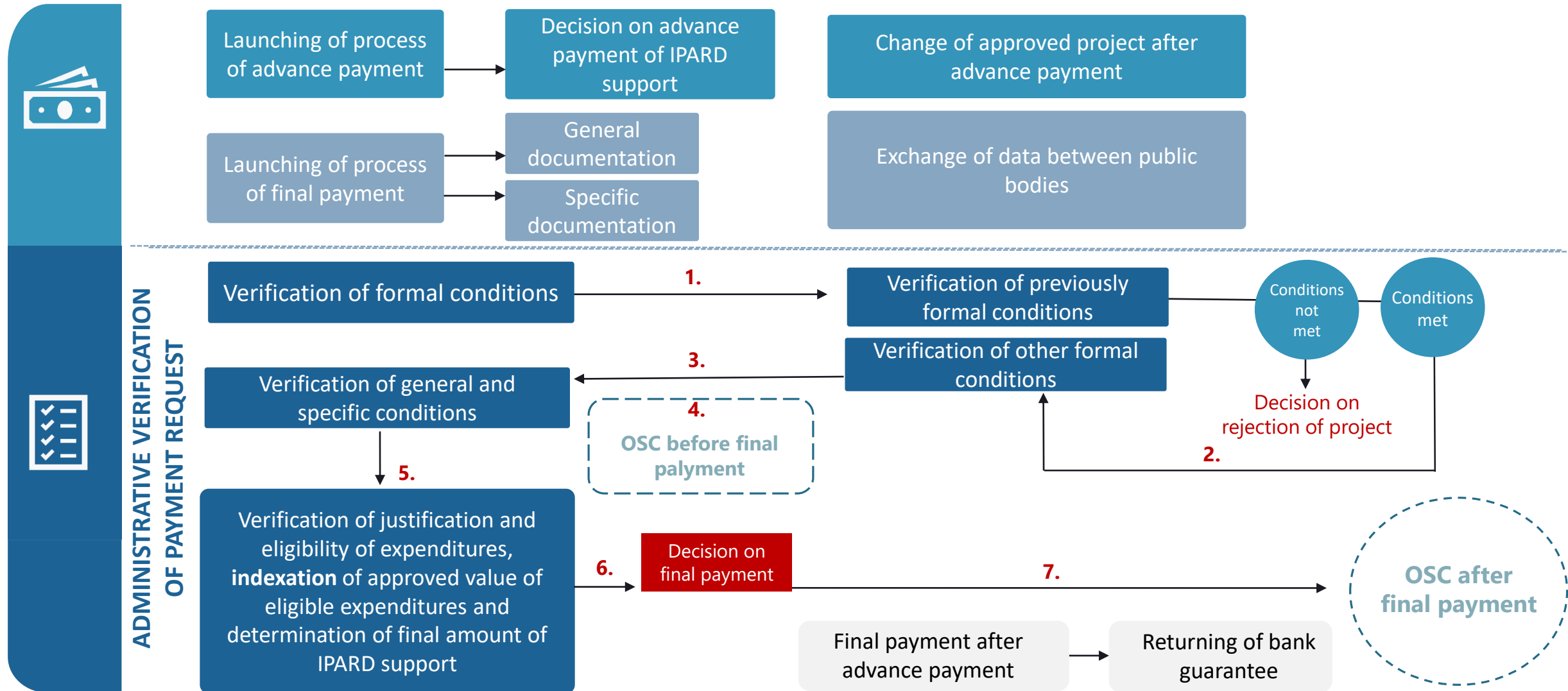
Specific conditions for final payment based on sector of investment

Milk, meat, fruit, vegetable, cereals and industrial crops, eggs, viticulture, fishery and conditions for tractors based on sector of investment.

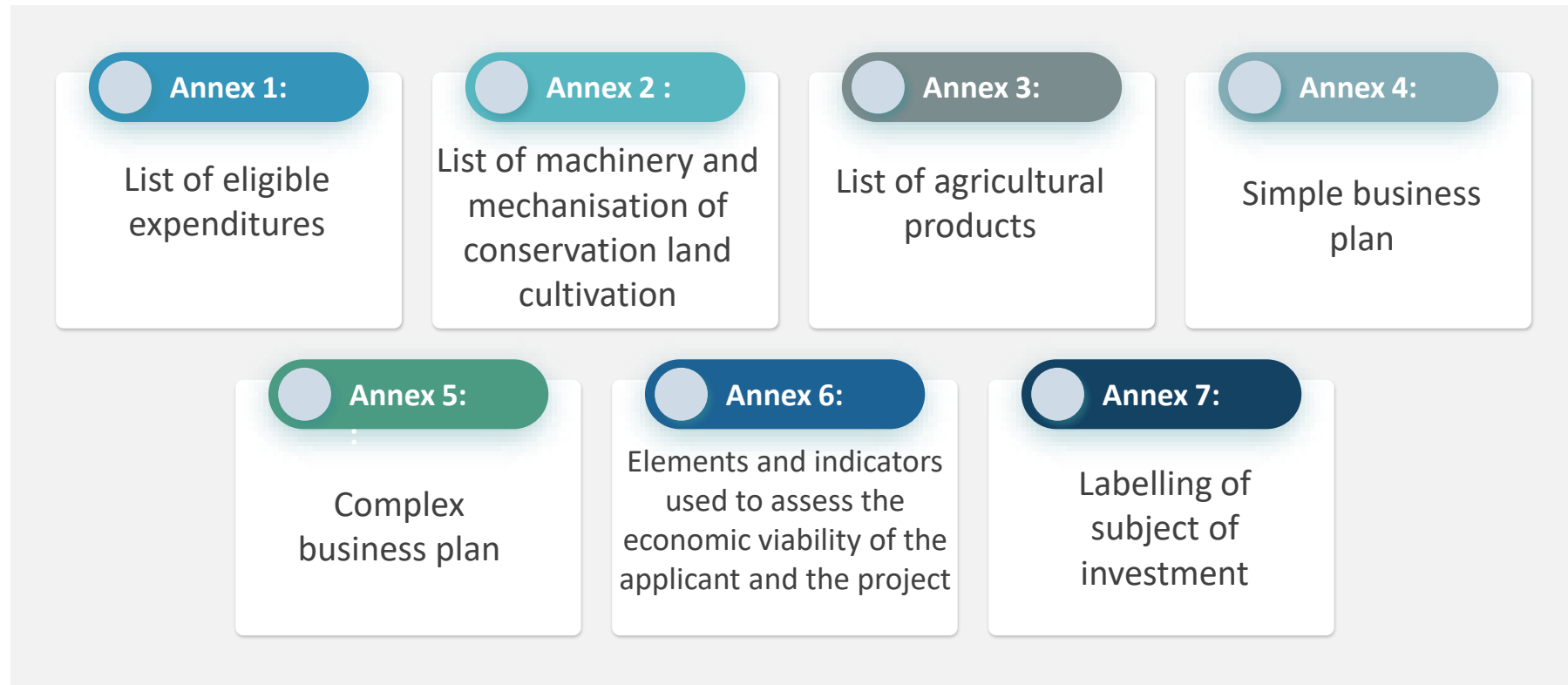
Procedure of project approval and change of approved project



Procedure for payment of IPARD support



Annexes to the Rulebook for implementation of M1



List of eligible expenditures

(example: Milk Sector - Measure 1)

1.1. GENERAL COSTS

Categories of expenditures	Type of expenditures
Architects', engineers' and other consultation fees, costs for establishment of collective projects, feasibility studies - eligible up to a ceiling of 10% of the eligible investment costs.	1.1.1. Expenditures for preparing the technical documentation for building of facilities and technical documentation for construction works, such as fees for architects, engineers and planners;
	1.1.2. Expenditures for consulting services for the IPARD support;
	1.1.3. Expenditures for preparing the business plan.

1.2. MILK SECTOR

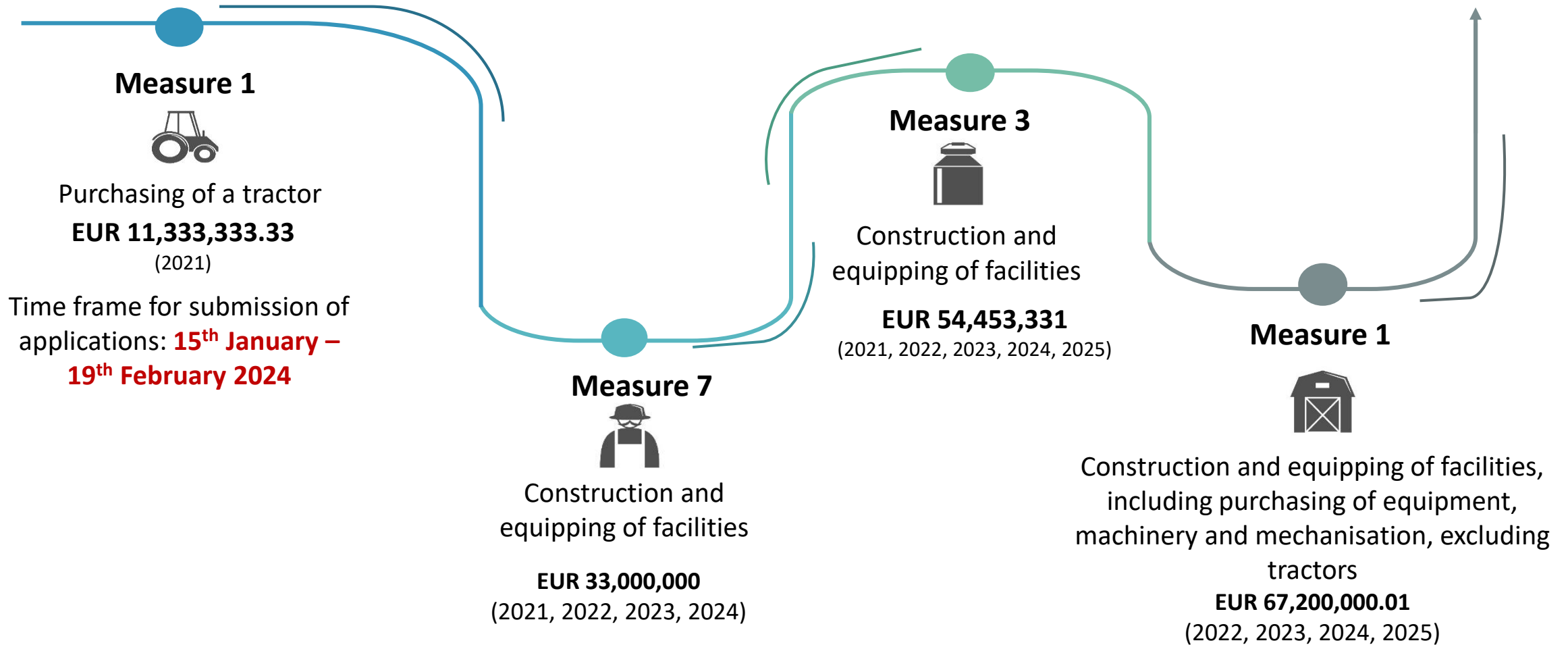
Categories of expenditures	Type of investments	SORS categories
1.2.1. Constuction		
Construction of agricultural buildings/facilities (including new equipment and electrical and water supply/plumbing facilities) for Milk Sector, which contribute to the objectives of this measure, and especially for environmental objectives and the circular economy;	1.2.1.1. Production and supporting premises and facilities for the purpose of milk production;	Elements and materials for installation in construction
	1.2.1.2. Facilities for storing, collecting, processing, packaging and manipulation of solid and liquid manure;	Elements and materials for installation in construction
	1.2.1.3. Facilities for waste management, effluent and wastewater treatment;	Elements and materials for installation in construction
	1.2.1.4. Facilities for the improvement of biosafety measures;	Elements and materials for installation in construction
	1.2.1.5. Facilities for production and storage of energy from renewable sources, including the connection of the plant to the distribution grid;	Elements and materials for installation in construction
Construction of the administrative facilities of production capacities (offices, rest areas for workers, changing rooms and sanitary facilities, storage for cleaning, washing, disinfection and plant protection products).	1.2.1.6. Administrative building with supporting premises and facilities.	Elements and materials for installation in construction

List of eligible expenditures

(example: Milk Sector - Measure 1)

Categories of expenditures	Type of investments	SORS categories
1.2.2. Machinery, equipment and mechanisation		
New machinery and equipment for Milk Sector, including computer hardware and software, that contribute to the objectives of this measure, as well as new machinery and equipment for fulfilling the EU standards relevant for the project;	1.2.2.1. Equipment for milking and storage of milk, including equipment for digitalisation;	Agricultural machines and tools
	1.2.2.2. Machinery and equipment for keeping animals and fulfilling animal welfare standards, including equipment for digitalisation of production;	Agricultural machines and tools
	1.2.2.3. Machinery, equipment and mechanisation for animal feed production, preparation, transportation, usage and handling, including equipment for digitalisation of production of animal feed;	Agricultural machines and tools
	1.2.2.4. Tractors up to 100 kW;	Agricultural machines and tools
	1.2.2.5. Equipment for precision agriculture and drones;	Capital products
	1.2.2.6. Equipment for administrative building and supporting premises and facilities;	Durable consumer goods
	1.2.2.7. Machinery, equipment and mechanisation for storing, collecting, transportation, usage and handling of solid and liquid manure;	Agricultural machines and tools
	1.2.2.8. Machinery and equipment for waste management, effluent and wastewater treatment;	Capital products
	1.2.2.9. Machinery and equipment for the improvement of biosafety measures;	Agricultural machines and tools
	1.2.2.10. Machinery and equipment for production and storage of energy from renewable sources, including the connection of the plant to the distribution grid;	Capital products
New machinery and equipment needed for renewable energy;	1.2.2.11. Specialized vehicles for transportation of cows and raw milk, including specialized equipment and trailers.	Capital products
Specialized vehicles for transportation of primary agricultural products or live animals in compliance with animal welfare requirements, excluding trucks and including specialized trailers or on-truck equipment.		

Indicative plan of public calls for 2024



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Brief overview and update

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Belgrade, 13 December 2023

*2nd IPARD III Monitoring Committee
meeting*

Agriculture
and Rural
Development

Our work on IPARD in Serbia

- Regular meetings on Technical Assistance measure
- Regular IPARD coordination meetings
- Work on N+3 extension, implementation of the Action Plan
- Close collaboration with our auditors
- Discussing possibility for simplification of verifying reasonableness of the costs
- Damaged projects
- Participation in the regional TAIEX events

Regional TAIEX events 2023

- Multi-country workshop on the IPARD implementation, May
 - Finalising IPARD II and Starting IPARD III
 - Staff retention policies – decision to allow financing of salary top-ups under TA measure
 - Detection and prevention of fraud and serious irregularities
 - Measure 6 ‘rural public infrastructure’
 - Minimising the ‘deadweight’ loss
- Access to finance, June
- Introduction to IPARD for the new Candidate Countries, November
- 2023 European Leader Congress, 18-19.12

Regional TAIEX events 2024, *proposal*

- IPARD workshop, physical
 - Presentation of the new CAP to pre-accession countries (explanatory screening presentations to be shared / depository) +IPARD
 - Simplified cost options
 - Measure 9 - technical assistance
- Agricultural information systems and digitalisation, e-application system for IPARD, online
- Measure 4 agri-environment-climate and organic farming measure + Measure 11 forestry (scope, entrustment, controls, LPIS and remote sensing, best practices etc.), physical

Farm Accountancy Data Network (1)

- FADN - a source of microeconomic and accountancy data collected every year from representative farms across the EU (since 1965). Serbia has already made great progress in developing its FADN system for the country.
- In the COM communication of 20 May 2020 - 'A Farm to Fork Strategy for a fair, healthy and environmentally-friendly food system', the COM announced its intention to convert the FADN into a Farm Sustainability Data Network (FSDN), with a view to collecting farm-level data on sustainability
- The new legislation to enable this has just entered into force in November 2023 - the aim - to improve the sustainability of the EU's food systems through an enhanced data collection process

Farm Accountancy Data Network (2)

- The FSDN will contribute to the analysis of the enhanced economic, environmental and social dimensions of the CAP, to the improvement of advisory services to farmers and benchmarking of farm performance, and to the transparency and fairness of the agri-food supply chain.
- It includes provisions on motivating farmers to participate in the data network and helping Member States in the data collection process.
- We encourage you to build these latest developments into your system - TAIEX assistance could help you make this transition

Start of IPARD III

- Financing Agreement with North Macedonia concluded on 29/11
- Entrustment for Türkiye granted on 6/12 and the FA will be signed in coming weeks; conclusion next year
- Entrustment to Montenegro – conditional the FA will be signed in coming weeks; conclusion next year
- Serbia - suggestion from the auditors to have a conditional entrustment. To conclude the FA by end of 2024, not to lose the 2021+2022 allocation
- Albania – no IPARD III at the moment

First call in North Macedonia

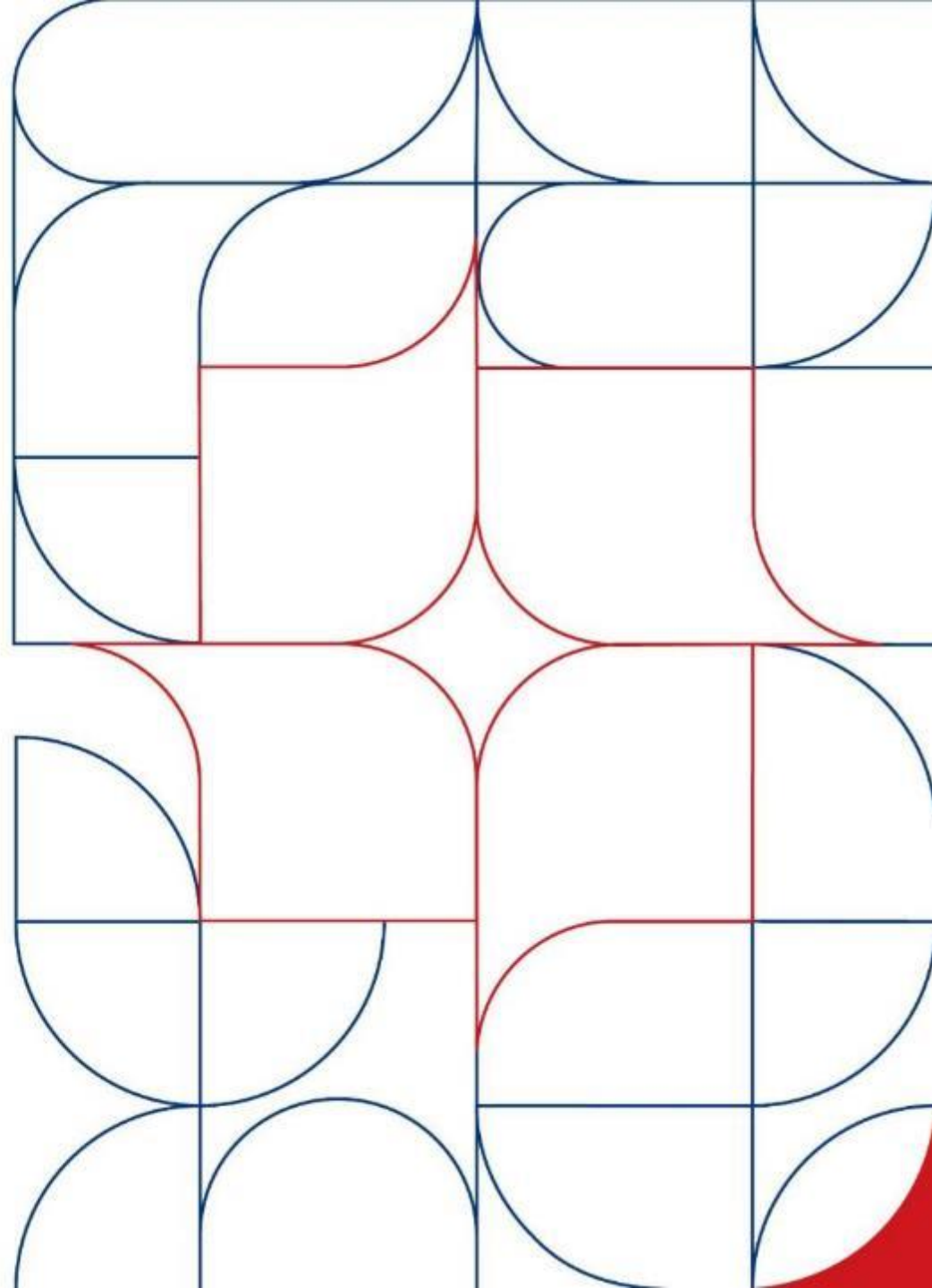
- The call was open from 1/9 until 15/10
- Covered measures 1 and 7.
- 1156 applications were submitted (total amount 97,2 MEUR) – 900+ 256 (51 MEUR+46 MEUR), many complains
- High number of applications (despite higher thresholds) is linked to the fact that the last calls under IPARD II for the measures were launched in 2020 (M1) and 2021 (M7). The funding was exhausted (and it seems, it will be exhausted soon again)
- Parallel call for M3 under IPARD II

Thank you

IPARD Monitoring Committee Meeting

December 13, 2023

Aleksandar Bogunović, Secretary of the Association for Plant Production and Food Industry



CCIS System



- 1857. year - 165 years of tradition, Law on Chambers.

-16 RPK, PKBG, 7 representative offices in the world and two offices, 350,000 members - 1 billion market.



Dubai



Zagreb



Brussel, BEL



Frankfurt, DEU



Moscow, RUS



Vienna, AUT



Trieste, ITA



Kina



Izrael



1857

Industry Associations

1. Association of Chemical, Rubber and Non-metal Industries
2. Association of Construction Industry
3. Association of Creative Industry
- 4. Association of Plant Production and Food Industry**
5. Association of Electronic Communications and Information Society
6. Association of Energy and Mining
7. Association of Financial Institutions
8. Association of Forestry, Wood Processing, Furniture and Paper Industries
9. Association of Metalworking and Power Industry
10. Association of Pharmaceutical and Medical Economy
11. Association of Private Security and other Service Activities
12. Association of Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities
13. Association of Public Utility Industry
- 14. Association of Stockbreeding and Livestock Product Processing**
15. Association of Textile, Garment, Leather and Footwear Industries
16. Association of Tourism
17. Association of Trade
18. Association of Transport
- 19. Service for organic production**



Industry Associations – members of CCIS

15,000 Company

65,000
contacts

5,000 visits per year

40 Group

3 Associations

17 Board of
Agriculture

38 Sections



Groups and sections of the Association for Plant Production and Food Industry

1. Producers of flowers and ornamental plants
2. Producers and processors of medicinal, aromatic and spice plants
 - The Section of Producers and Processors of Medicinal, Aromatic and Spice Plants of the Regional Chambers of Commerce of Niš, Pirot, Toplic, Zaječar and Bor Administrative Districts
3. Group for seed production
4. Group for water management
5. Tobacco producers and processors
6. Producers of fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables
7. Producers of cereals, industrial and fodder plants
8. Group for counseling and knowledge transfer in agriculture
9. Group for viticulture and winemaking
10. Fruit and vegetable processors
 - Section of producers of fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables of the Regional Chamber of Commerce of the Kruševac administrative district
11. Producers of milled and bakery products and pasta
 - Section of manufacturers of mill and bakery products and pasta of the Regional Chamber of Commerce of the Niš District
12. Producers of vegetable oils
13. Organic production group
14. Producers of confectionery products
15. Producers of diet food and baby food
16. Group of fruit and vegetable processors
17. Group of producers of mineral waters, fruit juices and soft drinks
18. Producers of sugar
19. Group of malt and beer producers
 - Section of craft and small beer producers
20. Producers of spirits drinks
 - Section of producers of spirits drinks of the Regional Chamber of Commerce of the Kragujevac District
21. Group of coffee processors

21 groups and 5 sections

Groups and sections of the Association for Livestock Breeding and Processing of Livestock Products

1. Group of animal feed producers

- Section of the PKS RPK of the Moravica and Raška administrative districts
- Section of PKS RPK of Kolubar and Mačvan administrative districts
- Section of manufacturers of food for dogs and cats, food for fish and exotic birds

2. Fisheries Group

3. Group for beekeeping and honey production

4. Group of producers of poultry meat and eggs

5. Group for fur animals and rabbits

6. Group of veterinary services at economic entities engaged in livestock production

7. Group of dairy industry - producers and processors of milk

- Section:
 - Kolubara and Mačva administrative districts
 - South Bačka, Srem, South Banat and Middle Banat administrative districts
 - Severnobački administrative district, Severnobanatski administrative district and Zapadnobački administrative district
 - Morava and Raška administrative districts
 - Rasin administrative district
 - Šumadija and Pomoravski administrative districts with representatives of the Braničevo and Podunavski administrative districts
 - Niš, Pirot and Toplica administrative districts, Jablanica and Pčinja administrative districts and Zaječar and Bor administrative districts,
 - Zlatibor administrative district
 - Producers and processors of goat and sheep's milk of the Južnobačka and Sremsk administrative districts

8. Production, processing and preservation of meat and meat products Group

- Sections:
 - Kolubark and Mačvan administrative districts
 - South Bačka, South Banat and Srednje Banat administrative districts
 - Srem administrative district
 - Severnobački administrative district,
 - Severnobanatski administrative district and Zapadnobački administrative district
 - Morava and Raška administrative districts
 - Rasinski administrative district
 - Braničevski and Podunavski administrative districts
 - Niš, Pirot and Toplica Administrative Districts, Jablanica and Pčinj Administrative Districts and Zaječar and Bor Administrative Districts

9. Group for livestock production and processing of livestock products (cattle, pig, sheep and goat breeding)

- Sections
 - in the cattle breeding area of the South Banat administrative district
 - in the pig breeding area of the Srem administrative district
 - in the area of sheep and goat breeding in Zaječar and Bor administrative districts
 - for cattle breeding of the South Banat administrative district
 - for animal husbandry of the Braničevo and Danube administrative districts

10. Group of License Holders and Distributors of Veterinary Medicines

- Imported Veterinary Medicines Section Секција за ДДД
- Section for domestic veterinary drugs

11. By-products of animal origin

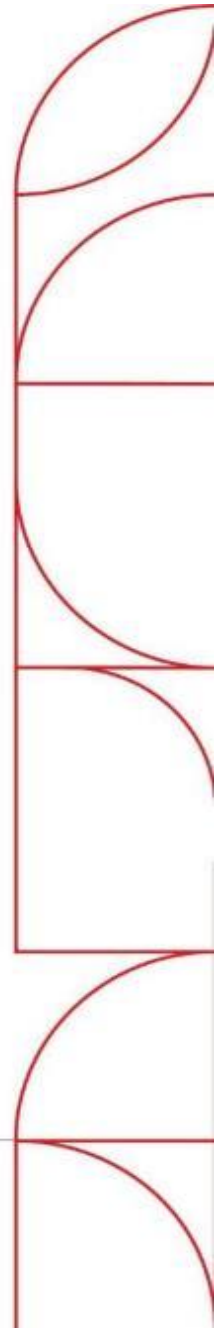
- Section of buyers and exporters of raw hides

12. Group of centers for the production, reproduction and distribution of seeds of domestic animals

12 groups and 29 sections

The main activities of the Association

- **Representation of the interests** of members within the framework of cooperation with state bodies and institutions in the areas covered by the scope of work of the Association;
- Collection and processing of **analytical data** and indicators at the national and international level;
- Monitoring and analyzing **economic trends** and proposing measures to improve working and business conditions of members;
- Active participation in creating an environment for the current processes of integration into the European and world market, with monitoring of **Negotiation Chapters 11, 12 and 13**;
- Work on drafting, as well as **comments and provision of elaborated and agreed standing points** of the economy to the state bodies on **draft laws and other regulations**;
- Providing systematic **proposals** for **relevant policy measures** and development strategies related to the Association scope of work;
- **Business Connections of our** members within the country and abroad - Fairs, B2B, trade missions,....
- Strengthening cooperation and **connecting science and business** - Center for cooperation between science and business;
- Monitoring and **education** in the frame of application and use of international technical standards and regulations;
- **Working groups and commissions** within the state bodies and international organizations;



The main activities of the Association

- Participation and **organization of professional gatherings** where relevant topics for industry are presented and discussed;
- **Connecting** with related associations abroad (successful cooperation with the European Association of Live Animal and Meat Traders - UECBV and the European Association of Animal Feed Manufacturers - FEFAC);
- Monitoring of achievements and **transfer of knowledge** in the field of technical and technological development - (Center for **digital** transformation of the economy, Center for **circular** economy, Center for **environmental** protection);
- **Education of member representatives** with the aim of acquiring new skills and knowledge (Education Center) and "Dual education,,
- Support in the **branding** of companies products and services - "Čuvakuća" trademark,...
- Participation in the international **projects**, as well as support in applying for projects at the domestic and international level;
- Participation in the work of the international organizations, commissions, working groups, initiatives...
- Discharge of public authorities\ ' functionsof- entrusted to the Chamber, within the competence of the Association;



Public work on the creation of authorizations performed by Associations

- Certificate of **domestic origin** of goods in public procurement procedures
- Confirmation that the goods are not **produced in the country**
- Confirmation that the goods are produced in the country - ***Certificate of Free Sale***
- **The opinion** that a company or other legal entity is the single supplier of goods of domestic origin, the only service provider or contractor
- **Certificate** of goods exported after the inward processing procedure
- **Certification of the document that accompanies the goods during export or import**, for the issuance of which the jurisdiction is not prescribed (invoices, price list)
- "CE" mark – product passport
- PKS platforms (PKS partner, Business Hub,)

Planned fair activities in 2024

1. FRUIT LOGISTICA, Berlin
2. PRODEXPO, Moscow
3. GULFOOD , Dubai
4. PROWEIN, Düsseldorf
5. WINE VISION OPEN BALKAN, Belgrade
6. PLMA, AmsterdamWORLD FOOD, Moscow
7. ISRAFOOD, Israel
8. Ethno food & drinks, Belgrade
9. “Vinitaly”, Verona, Italy





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