

Partner declaration for project platforms

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Instructions

1. Please only use ADOBE READER 10.0 or higher to complete the form. When using other readers the form will not work properly. The latest version can be downloaded e.g. at <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>
2. Please ensure that JavaScript is enabled (check main menu > Edit > Preferences > JavaScript).
3. This is an interactive form that contains different versions of the partner declaration text. The version relevant for you will appear once you select your country and your partner number. Be aware of this when completing the form.
4. Guidance is displayed on grey background next to the relevant textboxes or tables. This guidance will not be visible on the print-out.
5. To highlight the fields to be completed, please press "Highlight Existing Fields" which is available in Adobe Reader in the upper right corner above the form.
6. This form must be completed by each organisation listed as project partner (incl. the lead partner) in the platform application and submitted to the Managing Authority/Joint Secretariat as requested in the Programme Manual.

Platform data

Call for applications no.:

C1

Platform acronym:

CSHIP

Project partner data & declaration

Name of the organisation
in original language:

Городское объединение домовладельцев

Name of the organisation
in English language:

The St. Petersburg House Property Owners Association

Project partner country:

Russia

Project partner number:

14

Place assigned in the platform application.

By signing this Partner Declaration, the above named organisation applying for platform funding from Interreg Baltic Sea Region (further 'the Programme') as project partner (hereinafter referred to as 'organisation') hereby declares¹

1. The legal status of our organisation falls within the following category laid down in chapter C.1.2. of the Programme Manual:

Please select one of the legal status categories in the drop-down list. The full text of the category will appear once you have selected an item.

Please first check if your organisation falls within categories a) to d). Only if your organisation does not fulfil the criteria of any of those categories, one of the categories f) or h) (whichever suits best) can be selected.

In case of doubts, please contact your country's representative(s) of the Programme's Monitoring Committee (MC). Please contact the MC member in due time before signing the partner declaration and submission of the platform application. Contact details are published at www.interreg-baltic.eu.

Legal status

d)

d) Associations formed by one or several bodies governed by public law as defined under b)

2. Our organisation is not in difficulty within the meaning of point 24 (in conjunction with point 20) of the Guidelines on State aid for rescuing and restructuring non-financial undertakings in difficulty (GU C 249, 31.7.2014, p. 1).

An abstract of the guidelines can be found in the Annex to this Partner Declaration.

3. Our organisation, neither in whole nor in part, has received or will receive any other additional EU funds (except for the funds indicated in the platform application) for any of the activities presented in the work plan during the whole duration of the project platform.
4. Our organisation ensures that double financing is avoided. This involves that our organisation has not received or will not receive funding from any other public source(s) (e.g. international, national, regional and/or local) that would exceed the amount of the obligatory own contribution which has to be provided by our organisation to co-finance the project platform activities.
5. Notwithstanding that our organisation will receive an advance payment, our organisation possesses sufficient human, financial and administrative capacity to implement the project platform activities that have been assigned to it. In particular it will be able to maintain sufficient financial liquidity to pre-finance the project platform activities.
6. The activities of our organisation that will be carried out in the framework of the project platform are in line with relevant EU legislation, Programme rules and - where relevant - national/regional legislation and policies. This includes i.a. rules on: public procurement, state aid, equal opportunities and non-discrimination, as well as environment.
7. Our organisation is familiar with the content of the platform application that is submitted to the Managing Authority/Joint Secretariat by the lead partner and understands what its role in the project platform will be. We confirm that we have checked the data concerning our organisation in the platform application and that all data are correct.
8. There is a consensus among our organisation, the lead partner and the other project partners on how the overall costs of the project platform will be covered.
9. Our organisation is familiar with the content of the Programme, the Programme Manual and the standard model of the subsidy contract and understands what its respective obligations will be in case the subsidy contract is awarded. In particular it is aware of our obligation to:
 - conclude a partnership agreement as required by Article 13(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013
 - repay any amount paid as a result of an irregularity (Article 27(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)
10. We are aware that the lead partner will conclude the subsidy contract with the Managing Authority/Joint Secretariat and represent the project platform consortium in the context of the project platform implementation.

11. The total budget of our organisation within the project platform amounts to EUR In the event the mentioned project platform is granted funding from the Programme, we hereby declare to participate in the project platform and to provide EUR as own contribution to the project platform budget.

12. Declaration of the VAT status:

Please select one of the three options.

Please note! The VAT status does not refer to the general VAT status of the partner organisation but to the VAT status in relation to the project platform co-financed by Interreg Baltic Sea Region. For example, if VAT cannot be recovered for any Interreg Baltic Sea Region project platform activity you may select 'is not entitled' even if the partner organisation could recover VAT for activities outside the project platform.

- our organisation **is not entitled** to recover any paid Value Added Tax (VAT) by whatever means, and therefore all project platform related expenditure to be reported **will include** VAT.
- our organisation **is entitled** to recover any paid Value Added Tax (VAT) by whatever means, and therefore all project platform related expenditure to be reported **will not include** VAT
- our organisation **is in some cases** entitled to recover any paid Value Added Tax (VAT) by whatever means.

Notes:

- ¹ In case this declaration refers to EU rules and regulations these shall apply by analogy to Russian organisations.

Further information on the project partner

The above named organisation applying for funding from Interreg Baltic Sea Region represents:

- A coordinator of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region.
- A regular project partner.

Name of the Programme:

Regular project acronym:

Information on the output/result provided to the platform:

Please describe the output/result that you will bring from the regular project to the project platform.
(Remaining characters: 863)

The project increases the competence of acceleration/incubation and business development organizations that focus on consumer cleantech.

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Name, position: **Nicolay Pitirimov, Chairman of the Partnership Council**

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Signature:



Place: **Saint-Petersburg**

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Date: **12 Sep 2018**

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ANNEX

Abstract of

COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION

Guidelines on State aid for rescuing and restructuring non-financial undertakings in difficulty (2014/C 249/01)

[...]

20. For the purposes of these guidelines, an undertaking is considered to be in difficulty when, without intervention by the State, it will almost certainly be condemned to going out of business in the short or medium term. Therefore, an undertaking is considered to be in difficulty if at least one of the following circumstances occurs:
- (a) In the case of a limited liability company, where more than half of its subscribed share capital has disappeared as a result of accumulated losses. This is the case when deduction of accumulated losses from reserves (and all other elements generally considered as part of the own funds of the company) leads to a negative cumulative amount that exceeds half of the subscribed share capital.
 - (b) In the case of a company where at least some members have unlimited liability for the debt of the company, where more than half of its capital as shown in the company accounts has disappeared as a result of accumulated losses.
 - (c) Where the undertaking is subject to collective insolvency proceedings or fulfils the criteria under its domestic law for being placed in collective insolvency proceedings at the request of its creditors.
 - (d) In the case of an undertaking that is not an SME, where, for the past two years:
 - i. the undertaking's book debt to equity ratio has been greater than 7,3 and
 - ii. the undertaking's EBITDA interest coverage ratio has been below 1,0.

[...]

24. A number of regulations and communications in the field of State aid and elsewhere therefore prohibit undertakings in difficulty from receiving aid. For the purposes of such regulations and communications, and unless otherwise defined therein:
- (a) 'undertakings in difficulty' or 'firms in difficulty' should be understood to mean undertakings in difficulty within the meaning of point 20 of these guidelines, and
 - (b) an SME that has been in existence for less than three years will not be considered to be in difficulty unless it meets the condition set out in point 20(c).

[...]