



**Call for proposals on
Synergies transport / energy
under
the Connecting Europe Facility
Policy context**

**Info Day
10 October 2016**

Multi-sectoral Annual Work Programme / call Eligibility

- CEF Regulation (article 17(7)): Commission to adopt at least one multi-sectoral call for proposals
- Article 7(5): actions with synergies between sectors contributing to projects of common interest eligible under **at least two** of the sectoral EU Guidelines shall be eligible to receive CEF financial assistance for the purpose of multi-sectoral calls for proposals
- Conditions:
 - Actions to meet TEN-T objectives and to contribute to projects on the 2nd energy PCI list
 - CEF funding with transport and energy budget-lines weighted according to the action's respective eligible costs
 - Clear separation of components and costs of the action per sector

Objectives and Priorities

The general objective is to support the deployment of sustainable and efficient transport and energy infrastructure through the creation of synergies.

- As to location, synergy actions should be deployed on the comprehensive network for transport with emphasis along the core network corridors, while complying with the energy infrastructure corridors and areas, in line with the TEN-T and the TEN-E Guidelines and Annexes thereto.
- Synergy actions should support the implementation of the PCIs contained in the second Union list of PCIs (2nd PCI list) in the energy sector, within the scope of the global and generic objectives and priorities defined in this Work Programme.

Scope of call for proposals

- Synergies call is seen as a pilot-exercise which may be replicated in the future if successful
- Synergies call will provide input to CEF mid-term evaluation (Article 27 of CEF Regulation – Commission report to Council and EP by end 2017) and shape proposals for CEF 2
- Transport innovation-related projects which are not eligible to synergies call, given eligibility constraints, may be put forward under upcoming CEF transport call (13 October): EUR 80 million under General envelope and almost EUR 60 million under Cohesion envelope

BUDGET

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| Transport sector | |
| Ensuring sustainable and efficient transport systems in the long run, with a view to preparing for expected future transport flows | EUR 20 million |
| Energy sector | |
| Increasing competitiveness by promoting the further integration of the internal energy market and the interoperability of electricity and gas networks across borders | EUR 20 million |
| TOTAL | EUR 40 million |

Information about CEF Synergy Call 2016

| Indicative timetable | |
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| Adoption of the CEF Synergy WP 2016 | <i>31 March 2016</i> |
| Publication of Calls | <i>28 September 2016</i> |
| Info day (virtual) | <i>10 October 2016</i> |
| Calls deadline | <i>13 December 2016</i> |
| Evaluation | <i>December 2016 – March 2017</i> |
| Presentation to CEF Committee | <i>April 2017</i> |
| Adoption of Selection Decision | <i>April 2017</i> |
| Preparation and Signature of Grant Agreements | <i>From May 2017</i> |