



Financial support to networks 2017 – 2020

14.30 – 16.00

Joint Network Meeting

25 November 2016

STATE OF PLAY

Financing Decision: *Erasmus+ Programme* 2014-2020



Key Activity 3 – Support for Policy Reform
*including the activities related to the Euroguidance,
Europass and EQF centres*

action grants

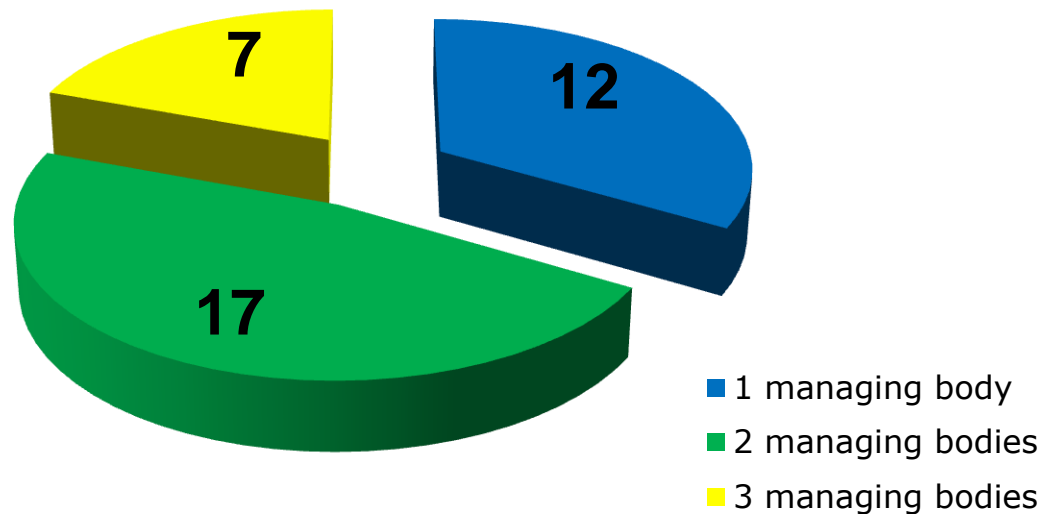
***Beneficiaries designated by the
National Authorities***

Objective of Recent Calls

Ensure coherence, simplification and better coordination between the centres linked to skills and qualifications

2015 and 2016 calls proposed a streamlined approach and invited applicants to develop synergies among the 3 lots

EU-supported national contact centres



CONSUMPTION

€6m unspent/unused

2010 - 2014	Euroguidance	Europass	EQF
%unused funds over AWP	15%	24%	52%
% unused funds over commitment	9%	15%	35%

Calls for more resources;

Centres not applying;

Work programmes, projects not delivered

SOLUTION NEEDED



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2017 - 2020

Administration and Support



(Operation and Policy)
*Strategic Approach to the Centres
Transition*

Financing Mechanism 2017 - 2020

Multi-Beneficiary Partnership Agreement

*- Long term partnership established between the
COM and beneficiaries*

Multi-Beneficiary Partnership Agreement (1)

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- Application per country
- Final report per country
- One coordinator + co-partners/co-beneficiaries

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- Co-beneficiaries



Multi-Beneficiary Partnership Agreement (2)

- *4 year duration*
 - **Grant Agreements:**
 - 2 years intervals (2017 – 2018; 2019 – 2020)
 - **Allocations:**
 - 2 year intervals (2017; 2019)
- *Available Budget:*
 - **Unchanged from previous years**
 - **Country Allocations**
 - Same criteria as previously: fixed amount, population + past performance
 - Receive at least what was consumed in past years as an average
 - Fixed allocation: low consumption, no application

Benefits

*Longer term **strategic planning**: confirmed availability of funding for 4 years*

***Flexibility** in managing budget:*

~~Unclaimed budget; Unspent budget; Unable to complete activities~~

***No restrictions** on allocation among beneficiaries at national level or restrictions on reallocating between activities*

*Easier co-operation on **projects**: invoices, reporting, double financing.*

Activities of Centres (1)

Erasmus+ Work Programme – proposed text:

"National implementation of activities on skills and qualifications (EQF National Coordination Points, National Europass Centres, Euroguidance centres)"

Activities of Centres (2)

Terms of Reference for Activities – Call 2017 - 2020:

- ***Continuity of the activities of centres***
- ***Highlight important role of existing activities and need to increase impact***
- ***Highlight important shared role in context of better EU tools and services***

Next Steps (1)



*Priorities:

- **Minimising Impact of Delay with Call**
- **Simplification of application and reporting process**

Next Steps (2)

- **Agreement of Erasmus+ Work Programme (6-7 December?)**
- **Publication of WP (January-February 2017)**
- **Designate Coordinator**
- **Publication of Specific call/Invitation to Apply (soon after adoption)**
- **Submit single application (start of eligibility period as soon as possible)**



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Thank you