



State Aid & Local Development

16-17 May 2024, ZADAR



Public support to economic activities | Social & Environment | Best practices | Projects |
Competition Rules | Control & errors | Strategies and Plans |
EU Funds management | | Indicators & Monitoring |
| Simplification | Territorial & Integrated Development | Risks Management

**This programme brings face-to-face trainings focused on the practical
dimensions of EU funds management (ERDF, ESF+)**

**From international experts and practitioners of EU Member States to
the benefit of Croatian Authorities, Intermediate Bodies,
Beneficiaries & other public and private bodies**

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LECTURERS

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES



- To increase knowledge of participants about competition rules
- To improve territorial strategies and their control
- To understand Concept & key criteria for State Aid about the logic & objectives;
- To apply the 4 State Aid tests;
- To increase knowledge of participants on Exemptions and new De minimis
- To increase the quality of local strategies
- To get examples about State Aid not prohibited
- To tackle the new Guidances about GBER
- To support activities of public service (housing, health, employment...)
- To foster smart economic, social and environmental development

METHODOLOGY



Online
preparation



Face-to-face
training



Concrete
examples



Action
plan



Test & certificate of
qualification

KEY ELEMENTS

- Improving systems, procedures and tools to prevent, detect and correct errors, irregularities related to State Aid;
- Making controls more effective and efficient using walkthrough checks;
- Checking new Rules and Instruments;
- Improving economic, social and environmental projects;
- Options for awarding compatible State Aid;
- Regulations, Guidelines and Frameworks, Communications;
- Presentation of local examples and findings.

Target Public : Decision-makers, Officers, Managers, Experts, Specialists from Authorities, Intermediate Bodies and Agencies in charge of strategic planning, monitoring, evaluation, verification, certification and audit

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DAY 1 | 9.30-16.30* | Registration 9.00-9.30

Step 1: INTRODUCING KEY TOOLS FOR CRITERIA & CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT

- Competition rules: objectives and key principles
- Reform of the EU competition rules
- Scope & Definitions, errors, risks and cases all over Europe

Step 2: TACKLING EU TERRITORIAL INSTRUMENTS

- European priorities and strategies
- ITI (integrated territorial instruments and Selection, award criteria, weighing systems, specifications and standards
- Contract amendment & Monitoring requirements
- Abnormally Low Price / Incomplete Tenders / Material Change
- COCOF guidelines for public procurement irre

Step 3: INTRODUCING STATE AID AND HOW TO DEAL WITH IT

- Is it State Aid? The Four tests
- State Aid Modernisation (SAM)
- State Aid Control and sampling of risky operations

Step 4 : LOOKING AT NON-AID OPTIONS: COMPATIBLE STATE AID

- Market Economy Operator (MEOP/MEIP) principle in practice
- New De minimis and SIEG
- "Local" activities success conditions

Lunch at 12.30-14.00 | 15-minute breaks at 10.30 and 15.15 all 3 days

DAY 2 | 9.00-16.30

Step 5 : LOOKING AT GENERAL BLOCK EXEMPTION REGULATION

- State Aid Modernisation and GBER
- Giving aid in compliance with GBER (incl. aid requiring prior notification & approval)
- Aids (Regional, SMEs, RDI, Training, Energy & Environment, Local infrastructure, Sport)

Step 6 : FOCUSING ON SMART PROJECTS

- Support to entrepreneurs and start-ups
- Social activities and kindergardens
- Energy efficiency and production

Step 7 : WORKING ON CASE STUDIES : Workshop

- Presentation of local examples of conducted projects (visits)
- Discussion about the case studies
- Decisions about actions and follow-up

FEES

550 € excl. VAT

- Lunches & Breaks included
- Send an e-mail to info@armatusprudentia.eu

Discounts

- 10% from 2 participants from the same organization
- 15% for registration before 05/04/2024