**Application Form**

Call for expression of interest to participate in a pilot action on **innovative implementation of the partnership principle in cohesion policy**

Please complete this form electronically and send it to: [REGIO-E1-ADMINISTRATIVE-CAPACITY@ec.europa.eu](mailto:REGIO-E1-ADMINISTRATIVE-CAPACITY@ec.europa.eu)

Part one: to be completed by public authority and civil society organisation and sent by 30 April 2022

We will be looking at applications where public authorities and civil society organisations have demonstrated a collaborative work in developing a joint proposal.

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| 1. **Information about the applicant** | | | |
| **A. Public authority** | | | |
| 1 | Name of managing authority / intermediate body/ beneficiary |  | |
| 2 | Name of operational programme (if relevant add also further information on policy objective concerned, investment) |  | |
| 3 | Contact person for this application | Name, surname |  |
| Job title |  |
| E-mail |  |
| **B. Civil Society Organisation** | | | |
| 1 | Name of the civil society organisation | Name  Webpage: | |
| 2 | Contact person for this application | Name, surname |  |
| Job title |  |
| E-mail |  |

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| 1. **Interaction with relevant national coordination body/ministry and relevant national/regional/local government.** |
| Please indicate whether the relevant national coordination body/ministry (or equivalent) is informed about your application. What role do you envisage for the relevant national coordination body/ministry in the pilot project?  Please also indicate whether relevant national/regional/local government will be involved in the pilot project. |
| *Max. 200 words* |
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| 1. **Area for further citizen participation in the implementation of cohesion policy** |
| **Can you describe how you envision to further involve citizens in the context of the five policy objectives 2021-2027[[1]](#footnote-1)?** Please describe which of the policy areas will benefit from external expertise (OECD) to support citizen participation in the implementation and/or evaluation of cohesion policy. |
| *Max 500 words* |

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| 1. **Relevant level to introduce innovative citizen participation approaches in cohesion policy** |
| Please fill in the relevant box for your expression of interest, and select the corresponding stage of the policy cycle where you would integrate an innovative approach for citizen participation. |
| Programme level Decision making 🞏 Implementation 🞏 Monitoring 🞏 |
| *Max 300 words* |
| Policy objective related strategy (e.g. ITI, sustainable urban development, transport strategy, energy efficiency strategy and so on)  Decision making 🞏 Implementation 🞏 Monitoring 🞏 |
| *Max 300 words* |
| Investment under programmes 2021-2027  Decision making 🞏 Implementation 🞏 Monitoring 🞏 |
| *Max 300 words* |

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| 1. **Description of operational objectives to achieve through the implementation of an innovative citizen participation approach** |
| Please explain the operational objectives you plan to achieve through the implementation of an innovative citizen participation approach. |
| *Max 500 words* |
| 1. **Description of envisaged cooperation between public authority and civil society organisation.** |
| Please explain how the cooperation between the public authority and the civil society organisation will take place and contribute to reach the above mentioned operational objectives. Please mention whether the civil society organisation will receive financial support by programmes 2021-2027 for their time working on this initiative. |
| *Max 500 words* |

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Part two: to be completed following invitation by the selection committee and sent four weeks after the date of their interview at the latest.

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| 1. **Information about the applicant** | |
| Please provide registration number of part one of application form |  |

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| 1. **Project proposal** |
| Please describe your proposal to introduce innovative citizen participation mechanisms in cohesion policy. |
| *Max. 300 words* |
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| 1. **Team composition** |
| Please provide a description of the public authority **and** the civil society organisation teams that will be directly involved in the pilot project. |
| *Max 400 words* |

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1. In 2021-2027 EU cohesion policy has set a shorter, modern menu of 5 policy objectives supporting growth for the period 2021-2027.

   1. a more competitive and smarter Europe

   2. a greener, low‑carbon transitioning towards a net zero carbon economy

   3. a more connected Europe by enhancing mobility

   4. a more social and inclusive Europe

   5. Europe closer to citizens by fostering the sustainable and integrated development of all types of territories [↑](#footnote-ref-1)