

Event 1st Written Procedure (expedited) of the Kolarctic 2021-2027 Programming Committee (PC)

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Subject 1: Approval of the table of contents of the Territorial Analysis for Kolarctic 2021-2027 programme

The main task of Kolarctic 2021-2027 Programming Committee (PC) is to guide the preparation of the new Kolarctic programme and approve the programme document and its annexes for final approval of the European Commission. By the decision of the PC, a Task Force has been set up, i.a. to draft the texts for the programme document.

The Task Force has drafted an outline of table of contents for the Territorial Analysis, for PC comments and approval. The model for this table of contents comes from TESIM programming guidelines. The Territorial Analysis will serve as a basis for the programme strategy, which will be developed by the PC with strong support from the Task Force. In its 3rd meeting held in November 30, 2020 the PC decided to approve the table of contents for the Territorial Analysis in an expedited Written Procedure. Expedited procedure is justified, to allow the Task Force as soon as possible to start developing content to the Territorial Analysis.

In Written Procedure, the briefing of the matter and the draft proposal is submitted by e-mail to the PC members and deputy members for approval. Following an expedited procedure, the members shall respond within **5 working days** by e-mail. The proposal is considered approved by the PC if no objections to the Written Procedure or to the proposal are received within the set deadline. If a PC member objects to the procedure or the proposal within the time limit, the item shall be deferred to the next PC meeting, or new Written Procedure is launched to reach the consensus.

Resolution:

The Written Procedure was launched on 3rd December 2020, and closed on 9th December 2020. By the given deadline, the Managing Authority did not receive comments requiring changes to the proposed draft table of contents of the Territorial Analysis for Kolarctic 2021-2027 programme.

The Managing Authority received from the Finnish National Authority a recommendation to start the development of the Territorial Analysis with gathering general information on characteristics of the programme area including its' challenges, strengths and needs (chapters 1 and 9 of the table of contents). The observation was raised also during the Programming Committee meeting 30 November 2020.

Therefore, the **Kolarctic 2021-2027 Programming Committee approves the table of contents for the Territorial Analysis of the new programme, as proposed.** The Task Force will start drafting the texts to the Territorial Analysis right after the PC approval, following the outline adopted by the PC.

Vsevolod Vovchenko
Chair of the PC meeting held in November 30, 2020

Annex: Approved Table of Contents of Territorial Analysis for Kolarctic 2021-2027

Kolarctic 2021-2027 Territorial Analysis

Table of Content outline

Chapter 1 - General Characteristics of the programme area

- 1.1 Programme area (*surface, borders, regions, map etc*)
- 1.2 Demography (*# of inhabitants, structure of population*)
- 1.3 Economic structure (*Data, e.g. GDP*)
- 1.4 Data on the impact of COVID-19 crisis (*any available forecasts, prospection data*)

Chapter 2 - Smarter Cooperation area (PO1)

- 2.1 Research and Development (data, investments on R&D)
- 2.2 Entrepreneurship (data, info on SMEs)
- 2.3 Tourism and natural-cultural heritage (*key cultural & natural assets, tourism arrivals and facilities*)
- 2.4 Digitalisation

Chapter 3 – Greener Cooperation area (PO2)

- 3.1 Energy transition (*CO2 emissions, renewable energies*)
- 3.2 Climate change (*impacts, risk disaster management*)
- 3.3 Water management (*infrastructure, drinkable water*)
- 3.4 Circular economy (*waste managements, domestic material consumption*)
- 3.5 Biodiversity and green infrastructure (*protected areas, green infra*)

Chapter 4 – More connected cooperation area (PO3)

- 4.1 Digital connectivity
- 4.2 Transport (*cross-border infra, check points, flows*)

Chapter 5 – More social cooperation area (PO4)

- 5.1 Employment (*employment/unemployment*)
- 5.2 Education (*level, NEET*)
- 5.3 Social cohesion (*poverty, inclusion/exclusion*)
- 5.4 Health (*mortality, natality, services, infra*)

Chapter 6 – A cooperation area closer to citizens (PO5)

- 6.1 Main characteristics of the territorial development strategies
- 6.2 Possible use of specific territorial tools

Chapter 7 – Better governed cooperation area (ISO1)

- 7.1 Main characteristics of the governance of the area (*public administrations, cross-border obstacles, experiences in the cooperation of local institutions and governments*)

Chapter 8 – A safer and more secure cooperation area (ISO2)

- 8.1 Border crossing management and mobility
- 8.2 Management of disaster risks especially in health
- 8.3 Migration management

Chapter 9 – SWOT table matching with PO/ISO/SOs