



ROMANIA - BULGARIA



DECISION no. 21
of 3rd of May 2018

Regarding the complaints lodged against the Monitoring Committee Decision no. 72 of 22nd of March 2018, approving the List of approved and rejected projects submitted under the third call for proposals for the Interreg V-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme - deadline 23rd of October 2017

Having regard to the following:

- Monitoring Committee Decision no. 51 of 2nd of August 2017 approving the Complaint Panel for the Eols and full applications submitted under the 3rd call for proposals, priority axes 1-3, Interreg V-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme, step 1 and 2,
- The Complaint Procedure of Interreg V-A Romania-Bulgaria,

the Complaint Panel of Interreg V-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme has adopted this:

DECISION

Article 1. The present document rejects the complaint lodged by *FOUNDATION PROJECTA*, Lead beneficiary of the application no. ROBG 524 „*Diversification and integration of joint tourism product and environmental friendly services within the cross-border region for sustainable use of common natural heritage and resources*” and registered by CBC ROC with the number 6615/04.04.2018, appealing the Decision of the Monitoring Committee no. 72/22.03.2018 regarding the rejection of ROBG 524.

Article 2. The reasons for rejection of the complaint are: *Feasibility Study/ Equivalent technical documentation* on behalf of the Beneficiary 3 was not elaborated according to the national legislation in force.

Annex 2 - Feasibility studies / equivalent technical documents presented during evaluation on behalf of both Beneficiaries were incomplete and did not comply with the National legislation in force, clarifications were requested giving the right to the beneficiaries to explain, to provide missing parts of the documentation, in conformity with the provisions of the Applicant's Guide for the 3rd call for proposals.

According to the opinion of the BG technical expert, the proposed technical solution is not feasible and cannot be approved for funding, as there are many missing parts of the presented technical solution, which is an idea project. The project has set very optimistic results and outputs. There are many critical points of this technical project, for example the applicant has presented a Bill of Quantities for almost all parts of a technical project without the technical project, no information on the fact if the RTA-Archar will be connected to national electricity grid or not and which is the full production capacity of the newly installed park is provided. As well, regarding the septic tank, there is not mentioned if this solution is enough for 21,600 people/per year, no drawings regarding the technical solution and connections of the septic tank are provided. As for the Solar park system, no drawing is

provided so that it shows if the system needs a metallic frame to take all loads and all the required equipment, no calculations regarding the foundations of such a construction are provided.

On behalf of Beneficiary 3 is presented only part Architecture for sub-object "Service Building" (working phase as written at the explanatory note in contradiction with the contract with Corvect Ltd. for elaboration of a Preliminary design for object "Recreational Tourist Area").

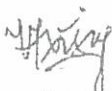
In conclusion, the technical documentation submitted is incomplete and not elaborated according to the national legislation in force. Therefore, the complaint is not justified and is rejected by the Complaint Panel.

Article 3. The decision of the Complaint Panel is final, binding to all parties and not subject of any further complaint proceedings within the Programme.

Signed by

Members of the Complaint Panel


Signature



Member 1 - Managing Authority representative, Ministry of Regional Development, Public Administration and European Funds, Romania

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Member 2 - National Authority representative, Ministry of Regional Administration Public Works, Bulgaria



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Member 3 - External expert (from the Evaluation Unit), Ministry of Regional Development, Public Administration and European Funds, Romania

