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**JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT 2014 – 2020
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT 2021 – 2027**

24 November 2023, Sofia, “Granitna” Hall, Council of Ministers

AGENDA

- 10:30 – 11:00** **Registration**
- 11:00 – 11:25** **Opening session**
Mr. Assen Vassilev, Minister of Finance
*Ms. Agnès Monfret, Head of Unit E.3 Bulgaria, Hungary and Slovenia,
DG Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission*
*Ms. Emmanuelle Grange, Head of Unit C.5 Romania and Bulgaria, DG
Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission*
*Mr. Benjamin Fairbrother, Deputy Head of Unit C.3 Bulgaria, Czechia,
Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, DG Agriculture and Rural
Development, European Commission*
*Mr. Joseph Caruana, Programme Officer, Unit D.2 Structural Support
Mediterranean, Black Sea and Landlocked Member States, DG Maritime
Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission*
- 11:25 – 11:30** **Approval of the Agenda**
- 11:30 – 12:30** **Implementation of the 2014 – 2020 Programmes: Achievements,
Challenges and Lessons Learnt**
MA of OP “Transport and Transport Infrastructure”
MA of OP “Environment”
MA of OP “Regions in Growth”
MA of OP “Innovation and Competitiveness”
MA of OP “Human Resources Development”



MA of OP “Science and Education for Smart Growth”

MA of OP “Good Governance”

MA of OP “Food and/or Basic Material Support”

MA of the Rural Development Programme

MA of OP “Maritime and Fisheries”

12:30 – 12:50

Main Findings and Recommendations from Audit Assignments under the 2014 – 2020 Programmes

Audit Authority, Executive Agency “Audit of EU Funds”

Executive Agency “Certification Audit of European Agriculture Funds”

12:50 – 13:10

Horizontal Arrangements for Implementation of the 2021 – 2027 Partnership Agreement: Coordination Mechanisms, National Legislation, Fulfilment of Enabling Conditions, Administrative Capacity

Central Coordination Unit, Ministry of Finance

13:10 – 13:50

Lunch

13:50 – 14:20

EU Funds Support to Achieving a Balanced Territorial Development: Key Challenges, Commitments Made, Implementation Mechanisms & Progress Achieved

Central Coordination Unit, Ministry of Finance

National Association of Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria

MA of Programme “Development of the Regions”

MA of the CAP Strategic Plan

14:20 – 15:10

Implementation of the 2021 – 2027 Programmes: Progress Made and Planning for 2024

MA of Programme “Human Resources Development”

MA of Programme “Transport Connectivity”

MA of Programme “Development of the Regions”

MA of Programme “Environment”



MA of Programme “Competitiveness and Innovation in Enterprises”

MA of Programme “Research, Innovation and Digitalisation for Smart Transformation”

MA of Programme “Education”

MA of Programme “Food and Basic Material Support”

MA of Programme “Technical Assistance”

MA of Programme “Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture”

MA of the Programmes in the Area of Home Affairs

15:10 – 15:20

European Year of Skills

Mr. Nikolay Naydenov, Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Policy

15:20 – 15:30

Conclusions and Closing Remarks

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