

## Instruction for the Beneficiaries of the Interreg IPA CBC Romania -Serbia

Ref: elimination of restrictions as regards the rules of origin and nationality for all actions implemented in the framework of the INTERREG IPA CBC Romania-Serbia Programme

Taking into account the provisions of art. 1 of the Financing Agreement between the European Commission and the Governments of the Republic of Serbia and Romania concerning the "Interreg IPA cross-border cooperation Romania-Serbia programme", as modified on 4<sup>th</sup> of September 2019:

"All supplies purchased under a procurement contract, or in accordance with a grant agreement, financed under IPA II shall originate from an eligible country or from any country which is eligible under the rules of the Member State.

As the Romanian national rules do not contain any restrictions as regards the rules of origin and nationality, then all natural persons or legal persons can participate in public procurement procedures from any country, and all goods can originate from any country, irrespective of any thresholds."

Starting with the date of the present INSTRUCTION, all natural persons or all legal persons can participate in public procurement procedures from any country, and all goods can originate from any country, irrespective of any thresholds, in case of all actions implemented in the framework of Interreg IPA CBC Romania-Serbia Programme.

The present INSTRUCTION has been adopted in accordance with the art. 7, letter B para. 17) of the subsidy contract, respectively art. 7, letter B para. 11) of the Annex 1 Co-financing contract, in order to provide information regarding the elimination of restrictions as regards the rules of origin and nationality for all actions implemented in the framework of the INTERREG IPA CBC Romania-Serbia Programme mentioned in Annex 6: Public procurement procedure, and comes into effect starting from the day of its signing by the Head of the MA.

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