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# **Second ABD Grant scheme**

**in cooperation with LEIWW program- GIZ**

**German organization for technical cooperation**

**Twelve Stakeholders Group Meeting for cross border region “Sharra”**  
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## Objectives of the Grant scheme:

- Improvement of integrated economic development of the region through support to entrepreneur initiatives focusing on improvement of tourism offer in the region;
- Improvement of value chains in agriculture and food production;
- Support to development of rural areas, income generation and employment;
- Improvement of regional competitiveness through support and creation of green value chains;
- Support to economic development of rural areas through sustainable use of natural resources;
- Support to improvement of economic activities and women entrepreneurship;
- Improvement of integral water and forest resource management.



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## Eligibility of applicants- Who may apply?

### **Civil sector**

- Associations, non-governmental organizations

### **Public sector**

- Public communal companies, Tourism Organizations, Chamber of Commerce, Development Agencies

### **Private sector**

- Registered agricultural households, Cooperatives, independent entrepreneurs, companies

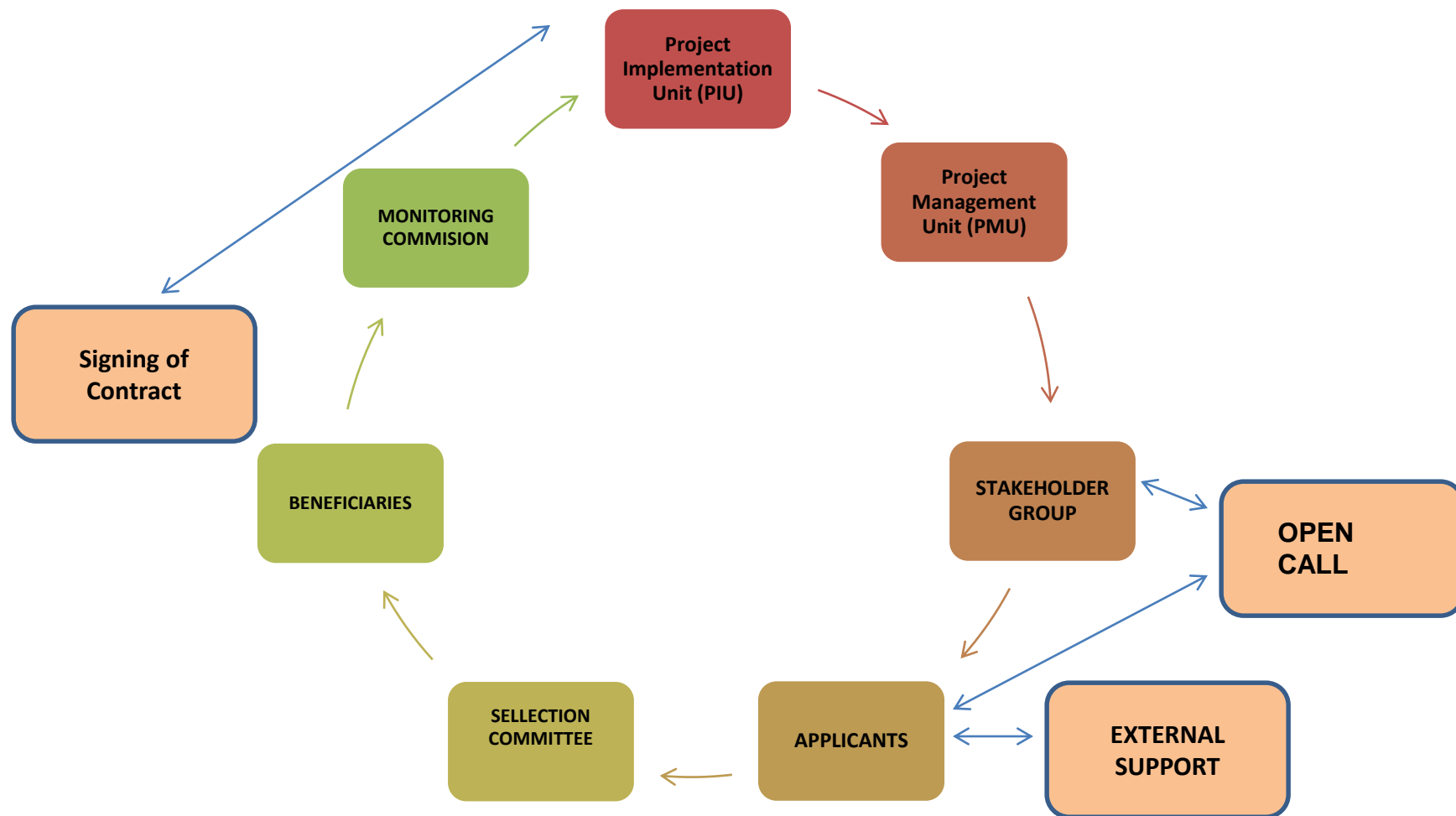


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## **Time frame– First Call**

- **Open Call for project proposals**
  - Beginning of May 2016
- **Deadline for submission of Applications**
  - 45 days
- **Selection of granted Applications**
  - During July 2016
- **Contracting**
  - During August 2016
- **Deadline for implementation of the investment**
  - Till the end of March 2017
- **If needed Second Call will be published**

## Submission of Applications and implementation process





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## Area of implementation:

- **Bosnia and Herzegovina:** Bijeljina, Ugljevik, Lopare, Brčko, Donji Zabari, Visegrad, Rudo, Gorazde, Bratunac, Milici, Srebrenica;
- **Serbia:** Sremska Mitrovica, Sid, Bogatic, Loznica, Sabac, Uzice, Cajetina, Bajina Basta, Ljubovija, Priboj, Prijepolje;
- **Montenegro:** Pljevlja, Bijelo Polje;
- **Macedonia:** Tearce, Jegunovce, Resen, Ohrid;
- **Kosovo\*:** Strpce, Dragas, Prizren;
- **Albania:** Kukes, Korca, Pustec, Maliq, Korca, Devoll, Kolonje, Pogradec;

*(applicant must be registered on the territory of these municipalities)*



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## **Draft criteria's**

*(from total number of points)*

- Business strategy – 60%
- Partnership – 10%
- Women involvement – 10%
- Youth involvement – 10%
- Financial support of local municipality – 10%

*(trash hold for points on Business Strategy and separately for total number of points)*





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## Eligible economy sectors for support

- Agriculture and Forestry
- Processing of agriculture and forest products
- Gastronomy and traditional and handicraft production and processing of food
- Tourism
- Marketing and promotion
- Local transport of agriculture products, food and tourists
- Handicraft



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## Eligible investments

- Investments in improvements of typical production processes and introducing of new technologies, quality and food safety standards, innovations, marketing and standardization increasing competitiveness;
- Eco-engineering in small local communities, use of renewable energy resources, responsible water use in rural economy;
- Investments in improvements of tourism services and tourist premises condition; Enforcement of touristic capacities and services in the region;
- Enforcement of small value chains in agriculture/forestry/food production/handcrafting/tourism and services in the region;
- Investments in development of new economic activities in the region related to green value chains in agriculture/forestry/food production/tourism and direct marketing; Processing of secondary forest products;



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## **Eligible costs**

- Cost for provision of equipment
- Cost for renovating of premises

## **Non eligible costs**

- taxes (including VAT) and customs, bank costs, guaranties, rate differences, or similar;
- Operation costs;
- Activities already financed from some other project;
- Buying of land or buildings;
- Buying of used equipment;



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## Payment schedule

- Pre-financing of overall investment
- Refund of up to 75% of eligible costs
  - Up on realization of investment and acceptance of Final report
  - Latest on 31.03.2017.



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## Financial frame of the Call

- Maximal amount per project: 35,000 EUR
- Amount per applicant: minimum 1,000 maximum 15,000 EUR
- Grant – maximum 75% of total eligible costs
- Self financing – minimum 25% of total eligible costs



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