

Inter-project Coaching

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Activity which allows a given project to meet and discuss with other projects working in a similar subject area and/or having similar objectives

What is inter-project coaching?

To meet and discuss the projects for sharing ideas, debating complementarity and eventually reviewing activities

Why is it needed?

Both: you inform on what you are doing and where you are, you analyse similarities and differences in the projects objectives and outcomes, you learn from the peers, you analyse the learnt experiences and make certain changes in the flow of your own project to enhance the implementation of your project AND avoid mistakes and tackle problems that are similar

Dissemination or upgrading?

- The completed projects – learning lessons from more “experienced” consortia. They have learnt something you can simply accept and do not need to invest time to explore the same/similar things yourselves. It saves time, effort and money.
- The on-going projects – you catch the other project in its process and learn from each other giving way to further communication and even expanding/deviating the existing consortium for future projects. Additionally – a sort of competition (motivation/energising the team)

Coaching sources?

- Your own analysis through Internet browsing (can be sufficient for choosing on-going projects)
- Referring to the NTOs (only in case you seek for experienced consortia to learn from) – you need not only advice but also professional recommendation on who to share with

How to find partners for inter-project coaching?

Definite answer: PCs since in the Tempus agenda it is their modernisation which is put at stake mostly BUT with respect to their liaisioning with certain EU partners. Therefore all the participating ENI partner countries should be covered by similar projects (AM, AZ, BY, GE, MD, UA) AND same EU countries (DE, NL, PT, ES) to secure that certain administrative, academic and practical issues within project cooperation are raised and discussed through gaining the others' experiences in the relevant countries

Where?

- The work on the project is optimised
- The project is made more visible in the thematic field and geographical area
- Some questionable issues are tackled or at least made approachable
- Unforeseen bottlenecks/problems are related and adequate advice/recommendations are given through the experience gained

What is expected?

- After PART of analysis has been completed (still we need to add something more, say info on the completed *successful* projects) there can be a contact with the consortia of similar/adequate projects to ask them to share experiences
- Appointing or designing a meeting or a series of meets to share experiences
- Furthering the discussions in order to expand the experiences and opportunities of mixing for future collaborations

What can be done?

Inter project coaching is financed strictly from the "Other cost" budget line and cannot exceed the ceiling of 25 hundred Euro altogether (for all the IC activities planned).

The guidelines to follow are those governing the 'staff costs' and 'travel costs and costs of stay' budget headings laid out in the Guidelines for the Use of the Grant under the respective sections. Supporting documentation in this case will be the same as for all travel costs, costs of stay and staff costs (namely travel tickets, Individual Grantholders Reports, Conventions and eventual invoices).

In cases of inter-project coaching between a running project and a project which has already finished, only the costs for participants of the university where the project is on-going are eligible. Costs for inter-project coaching which arise from the participation of representatives of the finished project are not eligible

Financing

Resulting monitoring and quality reports
must be included in the relevant Progress
Report

Reporting