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**MAIN NEWS:**

- THE 2ND JMC MEETING WAS HELD IN VILNIUS
- THE 1ST CALL TO BE LAUNCHED IN JANUARY 2018
- ORGANISATIONS ARE USING PARTNER SEARCH TOOL

## Newsletter of the Lithuania–Russia Cross–Border Cooperation Programme 2014-2020

### 2ND JOINT MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING TOOK PLACE IN VILNIUS



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) meeting of the Lithuania–Russia Cross–Border Cooperation Programme 2014-2020 was held on 16-17 November 2017 in Vilnius. The efficient and fruitful work of the JMC led to the substantial decisions.

The JMC approved the Work Plan for the year 2018 laying down the grounds for the smooth implementation of the Programme during the upcoming year. The Programme communication streamline is clearly presented

together with the chosen visibility and communication means and measures in the approved Communication Plan for the year 2018.

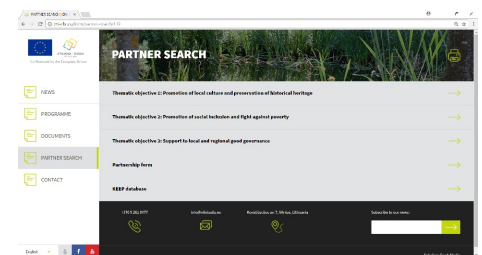
As well there are some news about the very awaited 1<sup>st</sup> Call for Proposals of the Programme. The JMC approved the Applicant's Pack: Guidelines for Applicants and Beneficiaries together with annexes and documents necessary for submission of proposals. The Call shall be launched shortly after winter holidays – on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 2018. After the announcement of the 1<sup>st</sup> Call for Proposals information events for potential applicants shall be organised in the Programme territory.

Don't miss the news about the launch of the 1<sup>st</sup> Call for Proposals and schedule of the information events for potential applicants on the [Programme website](#) and [Facebook profile](#)!

### PARTNER SEARCH TOOL ON THE PROGRAMME WEBSITE IS AT SERVICE OF POTENTIAL APPLICANTS

If You want to apply for the 1<sup>st</sup> Call for Proposals of the Programme, but still don't have partner(s) – take advantage of the Partner search tool accessible on the Programme website. Provide the information about Your project idea on the Programme website so potential partners could find You and get in touch with You.

Several organisations have already provided information about their fields of interest regarding projects within the framework of the Programme and are waiting to be contacted. The potential project partners on the Programme website can be found [here](#).



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### BRIEF INFORMATION ABOUT THE UPCOMING 1ST CALL FOR PROPOSALS

- ◇ The 1<sup>st</sup> Call for Proposals shall be launched on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 2018 and shall last until the 10<sup>th</sup> of April 2018.
- ◇ The minimum project grant shall be 100 000 Eur and the maximum project grant shall be 1 000 000 Eur.
- ◇ Project duration — up to 24 months.
- ◇ Project budget consists of 90% Programme funding (grant) and 10% own co-financing.
- ◇ There must be minimum 2 beneficiaries in a project, at least 1 from each country. There cannot be more than 6 beneficiaries in a project (including the Lead Beneficiary).
- ◇ Cooperation criteria (at least 3 should be met):
  - \* actively cooperate in development of project (obligatory);
  - \* actively cooperate in implementation of project (obligatory);
  - \* cooperate in staffing (for choice);
  - \* cooperate in financing of projects (for choice).