**Swedish Institute**

***Application for third country participation in the Baltic Sea Region (TCP) – deadline 17 April 2018, 15.00 (CET)***

**Project description**

**Applicant organisation**

**Project acronym**

**Project title**

**Contact person**

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| **Strategy/policy** | **Countries** | **Link** |
| **The EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) – Action Plan** | Sweden, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, PolandDenmark, Finland, Germany | [*http://www.balticsea-region-strategy.eu/action-plan*](http://www.balticsea-region-strategy.eu/action-plan) |
| **The EU’s Eastern Partnership** | Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine | [*http://www.euneighbours.eu/en/policy/eastern-partnership*](http://www.euneighbours.eu/en/policy/eastern-partnership) [*https://eeas.europa.eu/headquarters/headquarters-homepage\_en/12269/Eastern%20Partnership%20Key%20documents*](https://eeas.europa.eu/headquarters/headquarters-homepage_en/12269/Eastern%20Partnership%20Key%20documents) |

# *Aim and background*

* 1. State the **overall aim** of the TCP project (why is this project important?).

*Maximum 200 characters*

* 1. Describe the **background** of this project proposal and how the **partnership originated**.

*Maximum 3000 characters*

1. ***Context and connection to policy/frameworks***

***Remember: your description should focus on the overall context for both the TCP project that you apply for AND the EU project/flagship. Please note that the policies you tick in the application portal should be commented on here.***

* 1. Describe briefly the **national context** and/or **challenge** for the participating third country/countries (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine).

*Maximum 3000 characters*

* 1. Describe the **common** **challenge** or **need** in the Baltic Sea Region that your project has identified.

*Maximum 3 000 characters.*

* 1. Specify why it is relevant to include the third country/ countries to the EU-project /flagship? What is the added value for the EU-project /flagship of including these actors?

*Maximum 3 000 characters*

* 1. Specify, if relevant, which policy area or horizontal action of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region your TCP project links to (*the same as in the online application*).

*Maximum 100 characters*

* 1. If relevant, state which specific objectives/actions of the chosen PA/HA your project contributes to. Explain how your project contributes to them.

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* 1. If relevant, specify which priority of the EU Eastern Partnership your project links to. (*the same as in the online application*).

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1. ***Composition of the partnership***

***Your description should focus on the partnership for the TCP project that you apply for and the EU project/ EUSBSR flagship you include them to.***

***How to use tables below***

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	1. **Swedish main applicant (coordinator of the TCP project)**

| Name, country and type of organisation | Role of organisation in this project | Competence of organisation that contributes to this project | Added value this organisation gains from participating |
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* 1. Please indicate how this project relates to the main applicant’s other **core activities and strategies/goals**. Reflect on your role in the EU project/flagship. Please also reflect on the main applicant’s **commitment** to the TCP project.

*Maximum 2000 characters*

* 1. List the TCP project partner(s), by name of country, organisation and type of organisation. For each organisation, specify briefly their competence, and role. Describe the added value for each of the third country participant(s) of connecting the TCP project with the EU project or the EUSBSR flagship.

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* 1. List the most relevant **EU project partners**, or **flagship partners**, by name of country, organisation and type of organisation. Also specify their role in the EU-project/flagship. Indicate the main lead partner. For EU projects, all partners from Baltic Sea Region countries should be listed (Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland)

| Name of organisation | Country  | Type of organisation | Role in the EU-project/flagship |
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Further comments to your list (optional):

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1. ***Compilation: objectives, activities, indicators and expected outputs***
* ***Specify the SMARTER (Specific, Measurable, Accepted, Relevant, Time-bound, Emotionally attractive and Realistic) short-term objectives to be achieved during the seed funding project, along with the project’s activities, indicators and expected concrete outputs and/or its established structures.***
* ***Please note that these exact objectives are to be reported in the final project report***
* ***Note that several activities can contribute to one and the same objective***
* ***Please make sure that all activities mentioned in the table below are also be mentioned in the table in section 5.***
* ***Please see the instructions for detailed information on how to fill in the compilation table***

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| Short-term project objective | Activities and operations/events etc.  | Indicator | Expected output |
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1. ***Work plan***

***Make a work plan using the table below. If dates are not available, state the expected time frame in as much detail as possible. Also activities carried out over a longer phase in the project should be mentioned i.e. report writing etc.*** ***Please make sure that all activities mentioned in the table compilation in section 4 are also mentioned here.***

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| Date(s) | Place/Country | Activities and operations/events etc.  | Responsible partner | Invited stakeholders/participants |

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1. ***Communication***

***Describe your main communication goals and how the objectives, activities and outputs of the TCP project will be disseminated and communicated***

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* 1. Main communication goals

* 1. Dissemination and communication within each partner organisation and within the TCP project.

* 1. Dissemination and communication between the TCP project and the EU project/the EUSBSR flagship.

* 1. Dissemination and communication to relevant stakeholders (for example other networks), including policymakers and possible end users of the project’s outputs (EU project/flagship/TCP project). Consider also how to share your experiences from working with the partnership consisting of both EU countries and third countries.

1. ***Sustainability***

***Indicate how you intend to achieve long-term sustainability for the project results and how you intend to ensure durability for your project/partnership.***

***Maximum 3000 characters per textbox***

* 1. Please identify **possible practical uses of the outputs,** from the TCP project, both within the partnership, within the EU project or the EUSBSR flagship and in reference to external stakeholders/target groups.

* 1. Describe prerequisites for **continued cooperation between partners in this TCP project** (Sweden and third country/countries)

* 1. Describe how participating third country/countries can continue to cooperate with EU countries in general and/or specifically with the EU-countries of the EU-project/flagship. Indicate potential future sources of funding, both internal and external.

1. ***Risk analysis***

***Your description should focus on the TCP project you are applying for. Risks associated with corruption are obligatory (see separate table).***

***See the Instruction for examples of potential risks. If you foresee risks in other areas than those mentioned in the Instruction, it is important that these risks are also addressed in the risk analysis below.***

***The risk analysis report must be provided using the template below. (Note that the template in grey is only an example.)***

***Please see the Instruction regarding more detailed explanations of estimated probability and consequence.***

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| Example Risk | **Proba-bility** | **Conse-quence** | **Total risk** | **Risk management** | **Person responsible** |
| Key person leaves the project | 2 | 4 | 8 | Delegate a back-up person for all key people, create a system for continuous documentation. | Project leader/all key people |

| **Risks associated with corruption**  | **Proba-bility** | **Conse-quence** | **Total risk** | **Risk management** | **Person responsible** |
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| Please describe the risk(s) associated with corruption here: |   |   | 0 |       |       |

| **Other risks** | **Proba-bility** | **Conse-quence** | **Total risk** | **Risk management** | **Person responsible** |
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1. ***State aid to third parties/organisations***

***The Swedish Institute has to comply with EU rules on state aid. In order to ensure compliance, it has to assess the relevance of each project’s activities. The information you provide below facilitates such assessment.***

***Detailed information about state aid can be found:***

[***http://www.regeringen.se/regeringens-politik/naringspolitik/statsstod***](http://www.regeringen.se/regeringens-politik/naringspolitik/statsstod) ***(Swedish)***

[***http://ec.europa.eu/competition/state\_aid/overview/index\_en.html***](http://ec.europa.eu/competition/state_aid/overview/index_en.html) ***(English)***

***It may be that project partners grant state aid to third parties outside the project partnership. This is because other entities engaged in economic activities, not included as project partners in the project partnership (e.g. associated organisations, target groups, etc.), could receive an advantage through the project’s activities that they would not have received under normal market conditions. This implies that they may be receiving state aid.***

***Examples:***

***• Consultancy or other subsidised services provided to SMEs***

***• Training courses provided to SMEs***

***• Free access to research facilities (e.g. laboratories) for companies***

***Please note: Giving state aid to third parties does not influence the assessment of the project or affect the chances of being granted financial support by the Swedish Institute. However, the de minimis rule will be applied.***

Do economic operators outside the project partnership (i.e. not listed as project partner in the application) receive an advantage through your activities in the project?

Yes, certain project activities give economic operators outside our project partnership an advantage.

No, there are no project activities that give economic operators outside our project partnership an advantage.