

## Implementation guidelines for AAA project applications

- Projects financed by the AAA must involve the minimum of three regular members from three different countries which cover the territory of the AAA.
- All projects must support at least one of the priorities and objectives of the strategy (see p. 55., SAA – 2027 AAA-Website). Furthermore, small-scale projects, i.e. joint projects, must be in line with the working program, mission and vision of the Alps-Adriatic Alliance and, in addition, support the priority "strengthen community cohesion" (see p. 62, 63., SAA – 2027 AAA-Website).
- Project applications including partners from non-AAA-member countries, particularly from the Western Balkans and former members of the Alps-Adriatic Working Community, receive bonus points in the evaluation.
- The expectable added value of the project to the AAA must be clearly described in the application form and is subject to the evaluation after project completion.
- The number of active partners as well as the expectable number of the participants and multiplicators in the project, respectively, the expected number of people to be reached by the project (participants, multiplicators, visitors etc.) are essential.
- The funding of the project by the AAA must be made clearly visible in every publication (at least by displaying the AAA-logo, see AAA-Website).
- Preparation costs regarding the submittance of a project within the appropriate EUprogram: If preparation costs can be covered within the financial declaration of the EU project, the project-holder must return the preparation subsidy allowed by the AAA (in order to avoid duplicate funding).
- Applicants must use the application form issued by the Steering Committee. They
  have to ensure that the application form be filled out in English language and be
  sent to the appropriate TCP. The decision of granting a subsidy is made by the
  Steering Committee, which then is communicated to the applicant by the General
  Secretariat.



- The grantee must submit a short report on the activities taken within the project plus
  a statement to the General Secretariat specifying the use of funds by attaching
  invoice documents.
- Payment can be made only after project completion and upon presentation of a summary report and the original invoices.
- If the subsidy granted is not claimed after expiration of the project period indicated in the application, the General Secretariat informs the applicant and thereafter submits a proposal to lift or extend the commitment to the Steering Committee.