



3rd Health Programme 2014-2020

New procedure – Grants for Actions

Call 2014: Actions co-financed with MS authorities – Joint Actions

- JA have a clear EU added value and are co-financed either by competent authorities that are responsible for health in the MS or in the third countries participating in the Programme, or by public sector bodies and non-governmental bodies mandated by those competent authorities.
- *Proposals should provide a genuine European dimension. Depending on the scope of the action, previous JA involved on average 25 partners.*
- A multibeneficiary grant agreement.

3rd HP: New procedure for JA

- Direct grant procedure = > all participants have to be nominated first (no open call!)
- If a European umbrella organisation/NGO wants to participate in a JA, it must be designated by a MS competent authority through a transparent procedure.
- For the "follow-up" JA (second phase of an existing JA): because an organisation is part of the running/finishing JA, this organisation is not automatically designated to participate in the new JA on the same topic!
- As in PHP2, international organisations (e.g. WHO, OECD, etc.) are not eligible to participate.
- Chafea will carry out spot checks concerning the transparency and legality of the designation process.



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http://ec.europa.eu/health/programme/docs/joint_actions_2008_2011_en.pdf



How much co-funding?

- *EU contribution is **60 %** of the total eligible cost;*
- *In cases of exceptional utility, it is **80 %**.*

Who can participate?

- *Country eligibility – EU28 and EEA (Norway and Iceland).*
- *Focus: MS authorities*
- *Public sector bodies and non-governmental bodies from the above countries can participate in JA, if they are mandated by competent authorities.*

Exceptional utility criteria

1. At least 30 % of the budget of the proposed action is allocated to MS whose gross national income (GNI) per inhabitant is less than 90 % of the Union average.

This criterion intends to promote the participation from MS with a low GNI.

2. Bodies from at least 14 participating countries participate in the action, out of which at least four are countries whose GNI per inhabitant is less than 90 % of the Union average.

This criterion promotes wide geographical coverage and the participation of MS authorities from countries with a low GNI.



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Joint Actions in the WP 2014

€ 18,6 mio for the following actions co-financed with MS authorities :

1. Nutrition and physical activities (€1.2 mio EU co-funding)
2. *HIV and co-infection prevention (€3 mio)*
3. Dementia (€1.5 mio)
4. *Response to highly dangerous and emerging pathogens in the EU (€3.5 mio)*
5. Improved coordination and resource sharing for medical devices (€0.2 mio)
6. *Support to eHealth Network (€2.4 mio)*
7. EU wide rare diseases information databases (€4.3 mio)
8. *Blood transfusion and tissue and cell transplantationi (€2.5 mio)*



JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 1

TITLE

Facilitating the sharing of good practices between the EU Member States on national policies related to unbalanced dietary habits and physical inactivity

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this action is to take forward the work on common priorities identified in the EU strategy on nutrition, overweight, and obesity-related health issues between national bodies mandated in this field. It should lead to increased attention at national level on the necessity to develop action to counter obesity, in particular childhood obesity.

AMOUNT: 1 200 000 EUR



JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 2

TITLE

Improvement of HIV and co-infection prevention and treatment in priority regions and priority groups in the European Union

OBJECTIVE

The activities should particularly address the growing HIV/AIDS epidemic among drug users, their sexual partners and offspring in East and Southern European countries. This action will build on best practice models of several EU networks. Collaboration between social services, health services and security sectors will be facilitated, and the capacity of professionals in these sectors to use cost effective prevention methods will be supported.

AMOUNT: 3 000 000 EUR



JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 3

TITLE

Promoting the implementation in Member States of coordinated actions to improve the situation of people with dementia and their carers

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this action is to build on the outcomes of the ALCOVE Joint Action, to further develop knowledge and recommendations and to tackle important aspects related to dementia which have not been sufficiently addressed so far.

AMOUNT: 1 500 000 EUR



JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 4

TITLE

Efficient response to highly dangerous and emerging pathogens at EU level - Phase II

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this action is to ensure an efficient response to serious cross-border events caused by new and dangerous pathogens through reinforcing the existing EU network of Risk Group 3 and Risk Group 4 laboratories. This action will enable an efficient and coherent EU level response to potentially devastating cross-border events and it will also support Member States in implementing the International Health Regulations.

AMOUNT: 3 500 000 EUR



JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 5

TITLE

Technical and scientific co-operation allowing improved coordination and resource sharing between Member States

OBJECTIVE

This action is about the technical and scientific co-operation allowing improved coordination and resource sharing between Member States following the adoption by the legislators of new Regulations on medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices.

AMOUNT: 203 000 EUR



JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 6

TITLE

eHealth support for the eHealth Network by national competent authorities

OBJECTIVE

The action will support the eHealth Network by producing the required policy documentation and making the necessary arrangements for technical support to the work programme and decisions of the Network. The action will also contribute to the sharing of good practices between Member States on how eHealth tools are used in health promotion and disease management.

AMOUNT: 2 400 000 EUR



JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 7

TITLE

Support to the implementation of Council Recommendation and Commission Communication on Rare Diseases, in particular to an EU wide rare diseases information database

OBJECTIVE

Developments in science and policy require continuous improvements. Therefore the aim of this action is to continue implementation of priorities identified in the Commission Communication COM(2008) 679 on Rare Diseases: Europe's challenges and in the Council Recommendation (2009/C 151/02) on an Action in the field of rare diseases.

AMOUNT: 4 290 000 EUR

JOINT ACTION – thematic priority 8

TITLE

Strengthening the Member States' capacity of monitoring and control in the field of blood transfusion and tissue and cell transplantation

OBJECTIVE

This action will promote further cooperation between Member States competent authorities in the area of blood transfusion and tissue and cell transplantation. The action should build on the outcome of previous EU-funded projects and should provide support in various aspects like managing national vigilance systems, traceability and implementation of the Single European Code for tissues and cells, and training of inspectors.

AMOUNT: 2 500 000 EUR

The Role of the MS

- MS to nominate participants prior to Chafea invitation to prepare the proposal



Participants

- **Competent authorities** (national or regional level) or other **bodies** (public sector body/NGO: nominated via a transparent procedure, according to relevant national legislation) to *participate in one or more of the listed JA*

Competent Authorities

If more than 1 CA exists in a given public health field at MS/regional level, several competent authorities can be nominated:

Nominations must be submitted separately for each CA

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"explanation why two or more competent authorities have been nominated"

Body other than a competent authority to participate:

- The designation must be done through a **transparent procedure** and according to its relevant national legislation.
- Article 190(1)(d) of the Rules of Application of the Financial Regulation, the Member State/EEA is fully responsible to put in place the designation procedure and ensure that the requirements of transparency and legality are respected.
- **Third Health Programme (Articles 7 and 8)** public sector bodies, in particular **research and health institutions, universities and higher education establishments** as well as **non-governmental bodies** can be mandated to participate in the joint action on behalf of the Member State/EEA country.



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Letter to the Permanent Representatives

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HEALTH AND CONSUMERS DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Public health
Director

Luxembourg,
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NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN THE EU

Your Excellency,

Subject: **Health Programme in 2014 – Implementation of actions co-financed with Member State health authorities (commonly referred to as ‘joint actions’)**

I am writing to you regarding the joint actions planned for 2014 under the third EU Health Programme 2014-2020. The adoption of the work plan is envisaged by end of May 2014. Pending adoption, it would foresee almost €18,6 million for the following actions co-financed with Member State authorities :



Templates

To be completed

and sent to: CHAFFEA-HP-JA@ec.europa.eu

and hardcopies (originals) to:

*Consumer, Health and Food Executive Agency (Chafea), Health Unit,
For the attention of Ms Maria Alonso, DRB A3/022, L-2920
Luxembourg*

via

the Permanent Representatives

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION
of
a competent authority to participate in the joint action

[please insert here the title of the joint action].....
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I, Ms/Mr *[please insert name]*, *[please insert title / function]*, duly authorised to sign this notification on behalf of the *[please insert name of the ministry/governmental organisation]* officially notify the Consumer, Health and Food Executive Agency that the

Organisation official name	
Organisation short name	

Legally represented by:

Name of legal representative	
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is [the/an] *[delete as appropriate – depending if one or more competent authorities are mandated]* eligible body to participate on behalf of *[please insert country/regional entity]* and under its responsibility in the above mentioned joint action to be funded under the Health Programme 2014.

The contact person is:

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	Direct telephone line	
	E-mail address	

Date:

Signature

Place:

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION
of
a body other than a competent authority to participate in the joint action

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I confirm that the designation procedure was executed and concluded in the respect of the national legislation in force in *[please insert country]* and that all the transparency requirements for the use of public EU and national funds in *[please insert country]* have been fully met. I confirm that the *[please insert name of the ministry/governmental organisation]* is fully responsible for this designation and its legality.

Date:

Signature

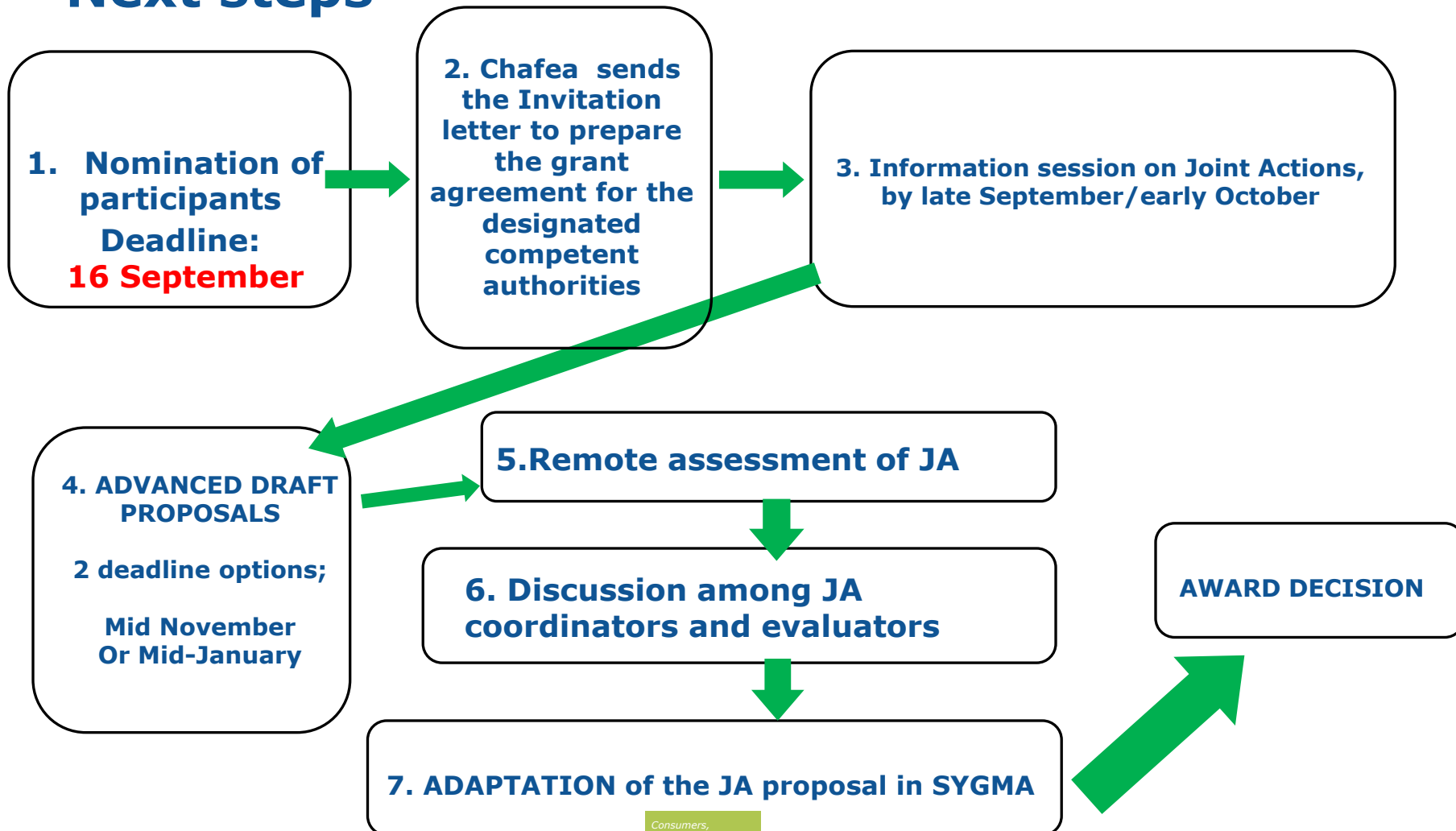
Place:

Deadline for **NOMINATION** of competent authority

16 September 2014



Next steps



Evaluation = Quality assurance

- Not subject to competition!
- Direct grant procedure!
- Subject to a negotiation process !

Special Meeting 2014 for JA nominated entities

- End of September 2014
- Only for nominated entities

Thank you for your attention!

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