

# Financial Management and Audit of EU Funds: Key elements from A to Z



DATE: 16, 17 and 18 March 2026  
LOCATION:

Aristo meeting center  
Teleportboulevard 100  
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## About The Seminar

This seminar provides you an excellent opportunity to get a deep understanding of all the key elements for the management and audit of EU funds and is recommended for managing authorities, intermediate bodies, audit authorities and beneficiaries. In three days you increase your knowledge and practical skills extensively to be better prepared for dealing with the EU Funds in your own practice. The seminar is designed to equip participants with the essential tools and knowledge to ensure transparency, compliance, and accountability in the implementation of EU Structural and Investment Funds. Participants will explore key elements such role of bodies. management and control system, eligibility rules and designing transparent evaluation and control, including risk-based, processes. The seminar will also provide a comprehensive overview of audit approaches, including random-based, and system audits, while addressing the crucial differences and possibilities for cooperation between audit and control functions. Practical cases and exercises for key elements will be part of the course.

## Program

### 16 March 2026

9.00 Introduction and additional specific needs  
9.20 Overview of legal framework and management and control system  
10.30 Coffee break  
10.45 Role of bodies and assurance model  
11.45 Difference between audit and control; Calls for Proposals  
12.30 Lunch break  
13.30 Simplification and Control Mechanisms  
14.30 Public Procurement, Risk based control work and practical  
15.15 Coffee break  
15.30 Work in groups  
16.30 End of day 1

### 17 March 2026

9.00 Wrap up day 1  
9.15 Development of a control strategy  
10.30 Coffee break  
10.45 Audit Mechanisms and Audit Strategy  
11.15 System audits  
11:45 Audits of Operation  
12.30 Lunch break  
13.30 Audit findings and implications  
14.30 Case study  
15.15 Coffee break  
15.30 Sampling and calculation of error rates  
16.30 End of day 2

### 18 March 2026

9.00 Wrap up day 2  
9.15 Annual Assurance package and audit of accounts  
10.30 Coffee break  
10.45 Development of Checklists  
11.45 How to link audit and control work  
12.30 Lunch break  
13.30 How to rely on work of other institutions; Audits of COM and ECA  
14.30 IT Tools and Databases used for control and audit  
15.15 Coffee break  
15.30 Case study  
16.00 Wrap-up on case study  
16.30 End of day 3

The topics on the agenda will be presented and discussed with practical cases / situations to achieve a maximum learning experience.

## Meet our speakers



Agnese Abula

Agnese Abula is senior expert of ESIF Audit Authority of Latvia. She has 20 years of experience in audit of EU Cohesion and Structural Funds. Her responsibilities, among others, are to perform ex-ante assessment on SCOs methodologies, audit of financial instruments and annual accounts as well as closure of 2014-2020 programming period. Agnese has a huge experience also with audits of operations and system audits as well as preparation on Annual Control Report and issuing Audit Opinion. In addition, Agnese has been a recognised lecturer for many years, e.g. for twinning projects and TAIEX activities.



Marianna Miklós Molnár, PhD.

Dr Marianna Miklós Molnár is expert in EU cohesion policy and currently woks as the Strategic Director for National Development Centre of Hungary. In this role, she is responsible for multiannual program planning and coordination, monitoring and evaluation, international relations, and organizational development. Previously, she served as Deputy Head of the Audit Authority, where she developed audit strategies, prepared annual audit plans, and ensured compliance with EU requirements, while maintaining close cooperation with the European Commission.

### Price and Registration

The price of this seminar is € 1.795 excluding VAT for early booking before 20 February 2026). Afterwards the price is € 1.995 excluding VAT.

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### Questions

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We are looking forward to welcoming you.  
See U in Amsterdam!

