



EU Cohesion Policy 2021-2027: Practical Seminar on Full Project Cycle for Professionals

DATE: 28 and 29 September 2026
LOCATION: Amsterdam, NL
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About The Seminar

This two-day practical seminar takes participants through the full project cycle of EU Cohesion Policy 2021-2027 under the Common Provisions Regulation. Starting with programming and intervention logic, the seminar follows the path from call design, project selection and contracting to implementation, reporting, management verifications and audit.

Along this cycle, participants will work on practical issues such as indicators, eligibility rules, selection criteria, SCOs/FNLC, procurement, visibility, risk-based controls, IT systems and audit trail requirements. Using practical examples and case discussions, the seminar shows how risks arise at different stages of the project cycle and how they can be identified, documented and managed from both the project and programme authority perspective.

A hands-on seminar for authorities, auditors and project professionals.

Program

Day 1 - Programming, Selection and Project Preparation

9.00 Opening & introduction

Cohesion Policy 2021-2027 and Partnership Agreement

9.30 Programming

From policy into actions - policy objectives, intervention logic, indicators

10.30 Coffee break

10.45 Grant award procedures

Call design (type of call, definition of eligibility rules, selection criteria, budget)

Project Preparation (project idea, application structure, compliance)

12.30 Lunch break

13.30 Selection of operations

Evaluation, selection criteria, scoring, equal treatment

14.45 Coffee break

15.00 Simplified financing models (FNLC/SCO)

15:45 Parallel workshops on case reports

Role of project manager: Eligibility of expenditure, double funding, conflict of interests

Role of MA/IB: Eligibility rules, double funding, conflict of interests

16.30 Day 1 wrap-up - Q&A on the contracting phase

Day 2 - Implementation, Monitoring, Audit and Case Study

9.00 Project Implementation

Contract implementation rules, procurement rules; visibility and communication; delays and modifications

10.00 Monitoring & reporting

Progress monitoring and indicators, financial management and audit trail

10.45 Coffee break

11.00 Risk-based management verifications and data entry in IT systems

11.30 Audit

Audit of operations (Art. 77-81), common errors

12.30 Lunch break

13.30 Case study

Role of project manager – Case study from application to final report

Role of MA/IB – Case study from policy to funding scheme and results

14.45 Coffee break

15.00 Panel Discussion - implementation challenges, monitoring and sustainability of result

15.30 Final evaluation & closing - certificate distribution and closing remarks

The agenda follows the project cycle and focuses on practical implementation, verification and audit questions under the CPR 2021 --2027.

Meet the trainers



Peter Vlasveld - Director SEEU Academy

Peter Vlasveld works in auditing and advisory services after serving as Head of the Audit Authority of The Netherlands for over a decade. He brings extensive EU grants experience from both management and audit perspectives and has lectured in seminars, twinning projects and EU-wide working groups.



Patrick Wamper - NRW / EU Funds Practice

Patrick Wamper heads the budget and ESF unit in the Ministry for Labour, Health and Social Affairs of North Rhine-Westphalia. He has worked with EU Structural Funds since 2002, formerly headed the ERDF Audit Authority in NRW and later a department acting as Managing Authority for ESF NRW.



Naida Mekić - Croatia / ESF+ and Cohesion Policy

Naida Mekić is Head of Sector in the Croatian ESF+ Managing Authority and brings more than 17 years of experience in cohesion policy, strategic planning and EU fund management, including programme design, ESF implementation, SCOs and Financing Not Linked to Costs.

Price and Registration

The price of this seminar is € 1.195 excluding VAT for early booking (before 10 September 2026). Afterwards the price is € 1.395 excluding VAT.

You are welcome to reserve your seat(s). For this, please book via our website <http://www.seeu-academy.eu> or send an email to: registration@seeu-academy.eu

Please provide for each participant the following information in your email:
Full name / Institution / email / mobile number / invoice address

Invoice

The invoice will be sent after the registration and is to be paid within 14 days (and ultimately one week in advance of the seminar).

Cancellation

Cancellation of participation must be in writing and is free of charge up to 14 days before the start of the event. In case of no-show or cancellation later than two weeks before the date of the event, the entire event price plus VAT is due.

Questions

If you have any further questions, please contact us.
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We are looking forward to welcoming you.
See U in Amsterdam!

