

Partnership Agreement (version 11/02/21)

General items

- Updated draft (version 11/02/21) on the meeting agenda page
- Cleaned up redundancies and language

Article 3 on communication responsibilities

- Article 3.2 on coordinator communication responsibilities:
 - (b) ASPHER communicates with EACEA;
 - (k) Appointment of two focal points for communication (one for Israel-based beneficiaries, one for EU-based beneficiaries)
- Partners may communicate directly with ASPHER at any time - also stipulated in (k)

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Article 4 (Financing the Action)

4.3 The grant contribution to the project is intended to cover only part of the costs actually incurred by the beneficiaries in carrying out the activities foreseen. **The beneficiaries commit to provide additional resources to the project equivalent to at least 10% of the award received by the beneficiary as required by the Executive Agency and outlined in the Detailed Project Budget (Annex II)** so as to ensure its full implementation in accordance with the Grant Agreement.

4.6 Beneficiaries may request a tax exemption for the purchase of equipment or services in the framework of the project using the VAT Certificate letter included in the Annex V.

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Article 2 (Duration)

2.1 This Agreement shall enter into force on the date the last party signs, but shall have retroactive effect from the starting date of the eligibility period laid down in the [Grant Agreement which begins 15 January 2021](#).

Article 6

(Reporting, Exchange of Information, Confidentiality and Data Protection)

6.1 The coordinator is responsible for submitting in due time to the Executive Agency all reports and financial statements as required in the Grant Agreement. For this purpose and in a timely manner, the beneficiaries commit to provide the coordinator with all necessary information and, if applicable, copies of supporting documents needed for drawing up reports [as outlined in the revised timeline in Annex I](#), financial statements and any other documents required in the Grant Agreement.

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Article 5 (Payment arrangements)

Payment(s) in advance

The coordinator will transfer to the respective account of each beneficiary in advance of the actual activities (expenditures) the estimated Erasmus+ grant contribution identified under Annex III of this Agreement, in the following way:

- **25%** of the estimated Erasmus+ grant contribution at the time of reception of the pre-financing payments from the Executive Agency and stipulating signature of this Agreement; after receipt of the Executive Agency payments on the coordinator's account, the coordinator shall forward the amounts due to the beneficiaries without delay, however no later than after two weeks.
- The remaining balance of estimated grant contribution coming from the prefinancing payments will be released based on requests **justified for the progression of the project work**.

Reimbursement of costs incurred

- Within 30 days of receipt of the necessary proofs of expenditure/activity and **justified for the progression of the work**, the coordinator will reimburse to the beneficiary's account specified in Annex IV of this Agreement the costs actually incurred in accordance with the estimated budget breakdown identified under Annex II of the Agreement **subject to the availability of funds**.

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Article 3

3.2 provide one copy of this Agreement duly signed to each beneficiary and to the Executive Agency within 6 months of the signature of the Grant Agreement

Next Steps:

- 1) All partners please read and consult the current Partnership Agreement (version 11/02/21)
- 2) Send comments to Lore (lore.leighton@aspher.org) by next Friday (19 February)
- 3) ASPHER will incorporate necessary changes and circulate final version towards end of the month for signatures along with the Kickoff Meeting Report.

Evaluation Committee

Internal Evaluation Committee

Made up of four Members from within the consortium

2 Candidates from Europe

- University College Cork
- Jagiellonian University

2 Candidates from Israel

For discussion

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External Evaluator(s)

Proposal for three evaluators from outside consortium partners

1. Paul Barach
2. Israel: Proposal to invite participant from Tel Aviv SPH
3. Europe: Proposals for Walter Ricciardi/proposal for Martin McKee