



PRIMA

PARTNERSHIP FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION
IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA

Model Grant Agreement

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Model grant agreement (MGA)

What?

When?

Why?

How?






MGA

WHY?

To guarantee that the action granted will be implemented as (1) agreed between PRIMA and the consortium and (2) in compliance with the provisions of the contract and all other obligations under applicable law.

In addition, in case a beneficiary breaches any of its obligations, the grant agreement establishes how the grant may be reduced, or other stronger situations.



“By signing the Agreement or the Accession Form, the beneficiaries accept the grant and agree to implement the action under their own responsibility and in accordance with the Agreement, with all the obligations and conditions it sets out.”

“Article 7.1

General obligation to properly implement the action

The beneficiaries must implement the action as described in Annex 1 and in compliance with the provisions of the Agreement and all legal obligations under applicable EU, international and national law.”



“7.2

Consequences of non-compliance

If a beneficiary breaches any of its obligations under this Article, the grant may be reduced (see Article 43). Such breaches may also lead to any of the other measures described in Chapter 6.”



- Rejection of ineligible costs
- Reduction of the grant
- Recovery of undue amounts
- Liability for damages
- Suspension of payment deadline
- Suspension of payments
- Suspension of the action implementation
- Termination of the agreement or of the participation of one or more beneficiaries



Main parts of the MGA

- Grant Agreement → Contract with 58 articles, signed between PRIMA and the Coordinator
- Annex 1 → PROJECT - Description of the action
- Annex 2 → Estimated budget for the action
- Annex 3 → Accession Forms (document signed by all the partners of the consortium, except the coordinator)



How is the PRIMA MGA?

- PRIMA uses the H2020 template for the multibeneficiary grant agreement, adapted to our organization.
- You can check this document online in our webpage www.prima-med.org (in the reference documents section).



Procedure to sign the grant agreement 1/2

 PRIMA does not use the **EU participant portal**; thus, the grant agreement signature procedure will not be exclusively online.

Steps (1/2):

- 1.- The coordinator of the beneficiary consortium receives a letter from PRIMA communicating that the proposal has been selected for funding.
- 2.- The coordinator sign the declaration of honour attached in the letter. The coordinator will be as well the responsible to make the rest of the partners of the beneficiary consortium to sign it and send it back to PRIMA.



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Steps (2/2):

3.- Once the declaration is signed by all the partners, PRIMA will send the grant agreement to the coordinator, who will sign it and repeat the same procedure done with the declaration of honour.

4.- Start the financing and the implementation of the action.



What other documents must sign the partners of the consortium for being granted beside the MGA?

Consortium agreement:

- Complement the grant agreement.
- No provisions against the grant agreement.
- PRIMA not involved.



Some usual doubts

Can the beneficiaries use third parties or subcontractors to implement the action granted?

Yes, but you must consider the following when using a third party and subcontracting:

- Ensure best value for money on the selection of the third party/subcontractor
- Avoid conflict of interests
- Subcontracting between beneficiaries is not allowed
- Estimated costs and tasks must be identified in the budget and in Annex 1
- The consortium retains the sole responsibility for work and the costs declared; if something goes wrong with the third party or subcontractor, the consortium will be responsible in any case.



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Thank you for your attention

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