Preparing and Implementing CEF-T Projects successfully

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Preparing the projects

- Evaluate the eligibility of a project proposal according to the call text
- Identify relevant partners, timetable, activities and budget for the project application - start planning and finding project partners rather sooner than later
- Base the project proposal on true needs - do not make up investments to attract co-funding
- Avoid unrealistic expectations (waste of work and money)
- Inform national authorities (both transport and environment) early enough
- Respect national deadlines
- Reserve enough time and resources for the application process, proposal writing takes time
- Utilize and trust the expertise and advice of experienced consultants

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Implementing the projects

- Communicate openly and timely with your assigned project manager in INEA - they're there to help you implement your project successfully
- Inform the national authorities about any deviations
- Report all deviations to the original plans in the Action Status Reports, no matter how minor they seem to you
- In the Grant Agreement Preparation, discuss and agree in detail with INEA how investment costs should be documented and substantiated
- Hold regular project meetings to monitor progress and promote communication between partners
  - Invite INEA representative and national authorities to the meetings

CEF-T cooperation in Finland

- The Ministry of Transport and Communications has had the overall responsibility of the TEN-T and CEF Transport for Finland in EU
- The Finnish Transport Infrastructure Agency (FTIA) has coordinated the Finnish CEF application processes and followed co-funded projects
- The Ministry has 1.1.2009 reorganized the national CEF/TEN-T team and Programme Support Action in close cooperation with the FTIA and the Finnish Transport and Communications Agency (Traficom)
- TEN-T team is responsible for national CEF Transport work and communication with the stakeholders in Finland
  - TEN-T team has tendered consult companies Ramboll and Wega to assist in executing team duties
- The Ministry of the Environment approves the application form related to environmental compliance of the project (Application form part C)
  - Required statements from the Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment
- Close national stakeholder cooperation and interaction, especially with the Finnish Maritime Cluster

Finnish national timetable for 2019 CEF-T MAP call and 2019 CEF-T Blending Facility call 1st cut-off

	CEF-T MAP 2019	CEF-T Blending 1st cut-off
Call published	16.10.2019	15.11.2019
Short project description to the Ministry of transport and communication (Governmental proposals)	10.1.2020	-
Short project description to the Ministry of transport and communication (Other proposals)	24.1.2020	10.1.2020
Application Form Part C to the Ministry of the Environment	24.1.2020	14.1.2020
Application Form Part A to the Ministry of Transport and Communications	13.2.2020	24.1.2020
Deadline for submission of proposals	26.2.2020	14.2.2020 (1st cut-off)

Finland has been successful in the Motorways of the Sea projects

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