



Nr	How well does the following apply?	Ratio	Not at all / 0	To small extent / 1	To some extent / 2	To large extent / 3	Completely / 4
1	The project description is clear and concise. When reading the application, the goals of the project are clear, as well as the expected results.	15%	Project description and reasoning are insufficient. Goals, milestones and/or outcome unclear.	Project description is lacking. Goals are insufficiently defined. Project milestones and/or product are not credible or poorly defined.	Project description is acceptable. Project goals, milestones and/or outcome are somewhat defined.	Project description is quite good. Project goals, milestones and/or outcome are clear.	Project description is clear and concise., Project goals, milestones and/or outcome are clear. When reading the application, the desired results of the project are clear and the project likely to achieve them.
2	The project plan is very clear, well thought out, detailed and credible. Milestones are well defined. The project is very likely to achieve the desired results.	10%	The project plan is insufficient. Information is lacking.	The project plan is rough and rather vague. It is unlikely that the project will be completed according to plan.	The project plan is acceptable but could be clearer and better prepared. Does not address challenges that may arise.	The project plan is clear, well thought out, and challenges that may arise are considered. The project is likely to achieve desired results according to plan.	The project plan is very clear, well thought out, detailed and credible. Milestones are well defined. The project is very likely to achieve the desired results.
3	The budget is clear, detailed, and credible. Funding is likely to come through.	10%	Budget and/or funding is insufficient. Information is lacking.	The budget and funding plan is very rough and therefore lacks credibility.	The budget and funding plan is acceptable but could be better prepared.	The budget is quite clear, and the funding is credible.	The budget is clear, detailed, and credible. Funding is likely to come through.
4	The product of the project brings us closer to the goals of the regional development plan. The project strongly supports positive social impact/value in line with the goals of the regional development plan and the fund's emphases. Argument for the need and value of the project is clear and concise.	20%	The project does not support the goals of the regional development plan nor the fund's emphases.	It is unclear how the project supports the goals of the regional development plan but possibly some positive social impact.	The project supports to some extent the goals of the regional development plan and the fund's emphases as outlined in the application. Project's premise is mostly credible and positive social impact is likely.	The project supports the goals of the regional development plan and the fund's emphases as convincingly outlined in the application. The product of the project brings us closer to the plan's goals, enriches the local community with good likelihood of positive social impact.	The project supports well the goals of the regional development plan and the fund's emphases as convincingly outlined in the application. The product of the project brings us closer to the plan's goals, enriches the regional community with good likelihood of positive social impact.
5	The role of partners is well defined and very likely to have a positive impact. The project promotes important relationships that can lead to benefits for all parties.	10%	Cooperation is non-existent in the project.	Cooperation is negligible and scarcely defined.	Cooperation is somewhat defined and may have a positive effect.	The role of partners is well defined, and the project is likely to create connections and positive synergies.	The role of partners is well defined and very likely to have a positive effect. The project promotes important relationships that can lead to benefits for all parties.
6a	The project is very innovative. Development of previously unknown methods, products, or services. Meets a new or previously unsolved need at the national level.	10%	There is no innovation in the project. Product or service known in the local community.	There is some but little innovation in the project. A minor addition to what already exists in the local community.	There is some innovation in the project, particularly for the local community.	There is significant innovation in the project. Meets a new or previously unsolved need in the region or in the country.	The project is very innovative. Development of previously unknown methods, products, or services. Meets a new or previously unsolved need at the national level.
7a	Improved utilization of the area's resource flows.	10%	The project connects in no way with improved utilization of the area's resource flows.	The project has only a vague connection with improved utilization of the area's resource flows.	The project contributes to some extent to the improved utilization of the area's resource flows.	The project promotes better utilization of the area's resource flows and has a positive environmental impact on the local community	The project is entirely about improving the utilization of the area's resource flows and has a good environmental impact on the region.
8a	The project will bring long-term job creation, a high probability of an increase in the number of jobs, increased professionalism, and diversity of jobs.	10%	Unclear how the project is job-creating and no long-term job creation.	Some but little job creation comes with the project. Limited chance of secondary effects except temporarily.	The project creates some temporary jobs and some potential for secondary impacts.	Long-term job creation and considerable secondary effects are likely; increased diversity and professionalism.	The project will bring long-term job creation, a high probability of an increase in the number of jobs, increased professionalism, and diversity of jobs.

If an application receives 0 points for any of the first three points (marked in red), it is automatically considered unsatisfactory.