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Recovery letter

CB845 CBSmallPorts project

To SAMK, Satakunnan ammattikorkeakoulu, as the Lead Partner of project CB845 CBSmallPorts,

The Managing Authority has been informed that the ownership of the Keihässalmi small port has been changed less than 10 years after the projects end (30.11.2022). The port was owned by the Pyhtää Municipality and has been sold to a private owner who plans development of residential area on the site. There have been ongoing discussions about access to the slip in the port.

Under the new circumstances the Keihässalmi small port, that was supported by the CB Programme and ERDF funds, does not operate as a guest harbor as it was planned according to the project application. Improved/renovated facilities in the port (sauna, service building) are not usable for boaters, maritime tourists or other public.

According to the Subsidy Contract § 8 Durability and ownership of results the following rules must be followed. In accordance with Article 71 of CPR Regulation the LP shall ensure that PPs (including LP) in infrastructure of productive investment projects shall repay the ERDF funding if within five (5) years of the final payment to the beneficiary or within the period of time set out in State aid rules, where applicable, it is subject to any of the following:

- a cessation or relocation of a productive activity outside the programme area;
- a change in ownership of an item of infrastructure which gives to a firm or a public body an undue advantage;
- a substantial change affecting its nature, objectives or implementation conditions which would result in undermining its original objectives.

For projects comprising investment in infrastructure or productive investment the period for repaying contributions is ten (10) years after the final payment to the LP if the productive activity is relocated outside the EU, except where the beneficiary is an SME. Projects without investments in infrastructure or productive investments shall repay the ERDF contribution if they are subject to an obligation for maintenance of investment under the applicable State aid rules and they undergo a cessation or relocation of a productive activity within the period laid down in those rules.

The LP is obliged to notify the MA of any such changes described beforehand for the MA to be able to determine which of the above-mentioned applies and the sums to be recovered.

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In the current case:

- planned and supported productive activity has ceased;
- a change in ownership of an item of infrastructure has changed and as a result there is a substantial change affecting the nature and objectives and implementation conditions that result in undermining originally planned project (development of guest harbour and improvement of services provided to maritime tourists as well as for local inhabitants);
- sustainability of the project results has not been ensured.

The circumstances have been validated through email correspondence with Pyhtää municipality as well as an on-the-spot check by the Joint Secretariat/Managing Authority on 27.5.2025. The violations of the Subsidy Contract with Central Baltic Programme lead to the recovery of the paid ERDF contribution.

The recovered amounts relate to

Application Form: Project partner 4, XAMK, Kaakkois-Suomen ammattikorkeakoulu: investment in Keihässalmi small port, budgeted total 29 000 € and later

Project report, period 5: Project Partner 4, XAMK which has reported Keihässalmi investments in the total value of 34.184,32 € of which 75% or 25.638,24 € is ERDF funding.

Based on the above presented information the Managing Authority recovers from the Lead Partner, SAMK, Satakunnan ammattikorkeakoulu, 25.638,24 € of paid ERDF amounts.

The recovered amounts shall be paid to the Managing Authority by 30.9.2025.

The payment shall be made to following back account:

Bank: TURUN SEUDUN OSUUSPANKKI, OP BANK GROUP MEMBER

Owner of the account: VARSINAIS-SUOMEN LIITTO, business ID: 0922305-9

SWIFT address (BIC code): OKOYFIHH

Bank account IBAN: FI08 5716 9020 1284 71

Reference: project CB845 CBsmallPorts order of recovery for Satakunnan ammattikorkeakoulu

If relevant, late interest applied to the amount to be recovered will be calculated in accordance with Article 147 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, as specified in the Subsidy Contract, §13.8.

Yours,

Merike Niitepöld

Head of Managing Authority

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Instructions for correction request

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Right to demand for rectification

The Lead Partner may make a written demand for rectification if dissatisfied with a resolution.

Demand for rectification authority

Authority to whom the demand for rectification is being made, street address and postal address

Regional Council of Southwest Finland / Provincial Government
P.O. Box 273, Linnankatu 52 B
FI-20101 TURKU

e-mail: kirjaamo@varsinais-suomi.fi

Demand for rectification and its initiation

A demand for rectification must be made within 14 days of being served the resolution. Member municipalities and their members are regarded as having received information on the resolution when the register is declared open to general view. Unless otherwise shown, the interested party is considered to have been notified of the resolution in seven days from the date the letter was sent. When using an ordinary electronical notification, the interested party is considered to have been notified of the resolution on the third day after the notice has been dispatched, unless otherwise shown.

On the basis of the act on charges levied for services by courts of law and certain judicial administration authorities (701/93), the petitioner is charged a litigation fee of 310 euros in the administrative court. A court fee shall not be charged if the administrative court amends the decision under appeal in favour of the appellant, i.e. accepts the appellant's claims.

Content of demand for rectification and delivery

The demand with grounds must become evident from the demand for rectification and it must be signed by the author.

The demand for rectification must be delivered to the demand for rectification authority prior to termination of the demand for rectification period.

Additional information

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