

# The assistance offered by the Thessaloniki Liaison Office

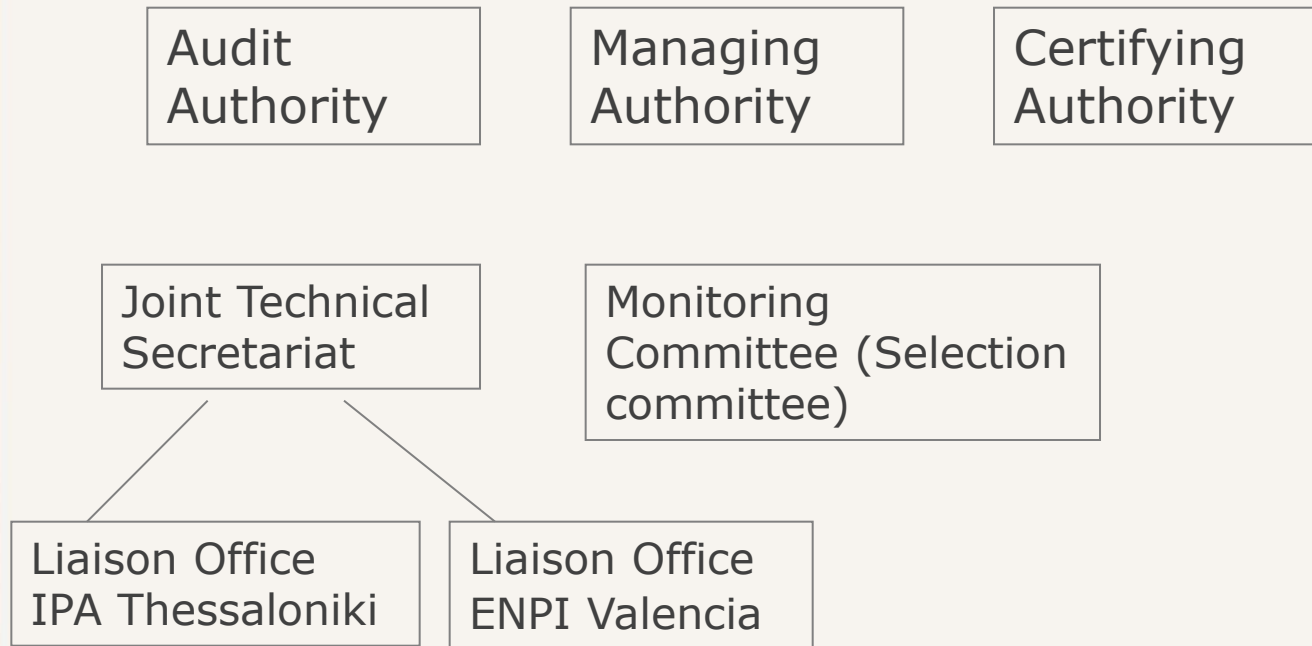
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# Programme Bodies



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# Target area of the Thessaloniki LO



# Mission of the Thessaloniki Liaison Office

## ***Objectives:***

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## ***Tasks:***

- Providing information about the offered opportunities of the MED Programme to potential beneficiaries coming from IPA countries
- Providing information about the modalities of participation in the MED Programme for potential beneficiaries coming from IPA countries
- Serving as a "liaison" between the ERDF Lead partners and the IPA partners
- Managing the matchmaking process of IPA partners to MED projects
- Providing up to date information about the integrated way of managing the IPA funds
- Coordinating between the MED authorities and the participating IPA countries and the respective EU Delegations
- Promoting the capitalization activities between the MED programme and the other transnational cooperation programmes of the area
- Promoting the exchange of experience and best practices between the MED programme and the other transnational cooperation programmes of the area
- Providing coordination between the MED programme and the other transnational cooperation programmes of the area
- Providing guidance to potential Lead Partners to which cooperation programme of the area is the most appropriate to implement their idea

# Serving as a “Liaison” during the project generation

- Serving as a “Liaison” between the interested IPA Partners and the potential ERDF Lead Partners:
  - Providing assistance to the interested IPA Partners to find the most suitable project proposal to join
  - Providing assistance to the potential ERDF Lead Partners in finding the most suitable IPA Partners for the needs of their project
- Close cooperation with the National IPA Coordination in all four countries
- Continuous updating the LO area on the website with the latest MED IPA news
- Moderation and Management of the IPA Partner Search Forum in the LO area on the website
- Organising transnational and national levels Information Days and seminars:
  - To update interested IPA Partners about the technical details of the Call for Proposals
  - To bring together IPA Partners and ERDF Lead Partners for onsite partner search

# Serving as a “Gateway” during the project implementation

- Serving as a “Gateway” for the IPA Partners of the projects towards the MED Programme Management
  - Being the first contact point of IPA partners to the Programme Management
  - Providing updated and latest information regarding the management of IPA funds within the frame of the MED Programme
  - Providing assistance in the solution of any implementation/project management related questions
- Close cooperation with the National IPA Coordination in all four countries and the Programme Management Bodies (especially with the JTS)
- Organising seminars at the transnational level and upon request national level meetings in order to discuss the technical specificities of the project implementation within the frame of the shared management of IPA Funds
- Establishing a network composed by the IPA partners of the projects in order to keep permanent contact, exchange knowledge and share experience
- Continuous updating the LO area on the website with the latest MED IPA news

# Further information and assistance?

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and find further information  
on

[www.programmemed.eu](http://www.programmemed.eu)  
(e.g. LO section )

**Thank you for your attention!**