

**FAQs about Specific Actions under Thematic Facility Work Programmes AMIF, BMVI, ISF 2021-2022**

❖ **BMVI/2021-2022/SA/1.5.8- Title: Support for border management for Latvia, Lithuania and Poland**

<b>Topic classification</b>	<b>Questions</b>	<b>Reply</b>
<b>Implementation</b>	Would it be possible to split Specific Action BMVI/2021/SA/1.5.8 into two separate projects, e.g. as it is already divided into working package 1 and working package 2? It should be noted that we have already divided funding for this Specific Action in our BMVI Programme in two different codes of intervention – 005 & 006. If yes, it will make it much easier for us to carry out the specific actions activities.	Yes. It is up to each Member State to decide on the way the Specific Action is implemented.

❖ **BMVI/2021/SA/1.5.4 - “Support to comply with the implementation of the relevant interoperability legal framework”**

<b>Topic classification</b>	<b>Questions</b>	<b>Reply</b>
<b>Timeline for implementation</b>	<p>May you clarify the following:</p> <p>First, sub-action 1.5.4.1 deals with the adaptation of national business processes, national handbooks and manuals, training of end users, as well as with the acquisition or development of the corresponding information technology means. These actions are viewed as necessary pre-conditions for Member States to be able to declare their readiness for implementing interoperability once the technical conditions are met (scheduled by the end of 2023). (p.3) This action needs to be implemented before end of 2023.</p> <p>Is it correct that the JAI Council adopted a new implementation plan in July 2023, which has an impact on the corresponding dates?</p> <p>Can it be confirmed that the new dates prepared by the beneficiaries are as follows:</p>	<p>The invitation (ARES(2022)3018098) to the BMVI specific action on interoperability (BMVI/2021/SA/1.5.4) underlined that “<i>Within the scope of this Specific Action and in the light of the limited amount, Member States may choose to focus on one or more of the different aspects and/or activities under one or more of the two sub-actions, depending on the specific national institutional set-up and needs.</i>”</p> <p>It was launched to help with the preparation for end users during the transition period before the interoperability architecture, as established by Regulation (EU) 2019/817 and Regulation (EU) 2019/818, becomes operational.</p> <p>Once the amount for this specific action is added to the BMVI programme, the eligibility period of the expenditure (by 31 December 2029, as per the applicable Article 63 of the Common Provisions Regulation (EU) 2021/1060) provides sufficient flexibility to accommodate possible changes in the timeline for the interoperability framework.</p> <p>Please note that the JHA Council has not agreed on a new timeline for the implementation of the interoperability framework.</p>

	- 2.5.4.1: End 2024 - 2.5.4.2: June 2024	
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