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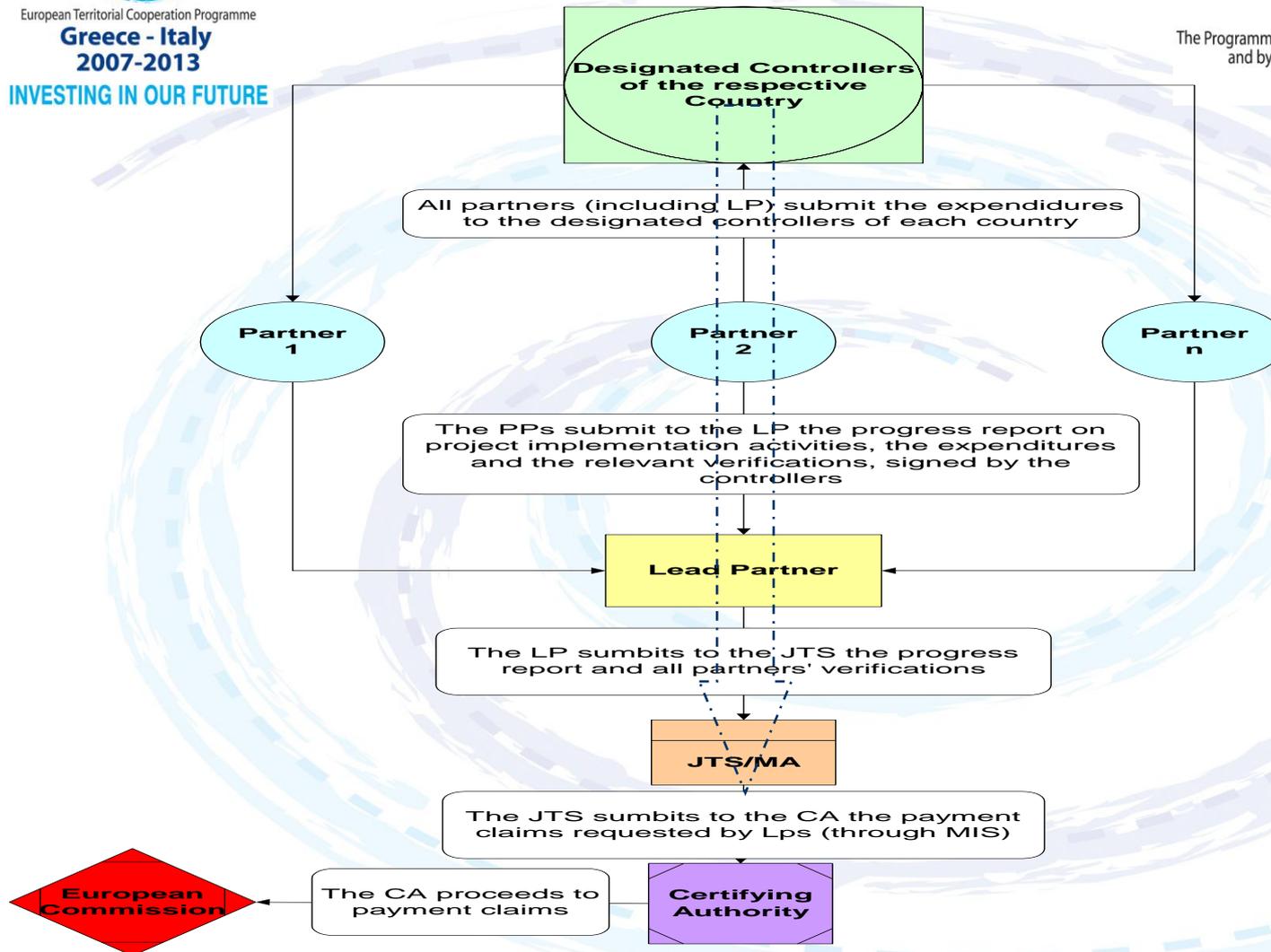
VERIFICATION of EXPENDITURE: PROBLEMS & PROSPECTS

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Verification of Expenditure

The Process



Verification Problems = MIS Problems = Inability to reimburse ERDF

Verification of Expenditure Problems & Prospects



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2 Types of Verification Problems

- Ⓢ **Quality/Accuracy Problems**
(ANNEX II & III
incorrectly filled in)
- Ⓢ **Speed Problems**
(Delays in designating
controllers & in
expenses verification)



2 Prospects of the ETCP Greece-Italy 2013

- Ⓢ **N+3 Objective (≈19
Million euros)**
- Ⓢ **Timely Project
Implementation**

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List of identified Problems

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1. **Mismatch** in the total amount of **Annex II** and **Annex III**
(Annex II: Certificate of Verified expenditure, Annex III: Table of Expenditure)
2. The **amounts** reported in Annex III **per WP, Action, Deliverable and cost category** **Do Not agree** with the **Approved Application Form**
3. The **Titles of the Deliverables** in Annex III/Column Description of deliverables **Do Not agree** with the **Approved Application Form** (see Table: “Deliverables” or “Costs per deliverable and partner”)
4. **The amounts** Reported in Annex III **per deliverable** **are aggregated** into 1 deliverable while they refer to 2 or 3 deliverables.
5. **VAT is it eligible for the partner** and the specific cost category?
6. The amounts in column “**eligible cost**” **have 3 digits** (e.g. 11.912,402) and create **inaccuracy in the total verified amount**
7. In Annex III there are **3 tables** and not all of them are filled in.
8. Make sure that in **Annex I** you **correctly report the cost categories** included in **Annex III**

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Problem Specification & Proposed Solutions

Accuracy Problems



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1. **Mismatch** in the total amount of Annex II and Annex III

Solution : Make sure the 2 Annexes agree with each other
in the total verified amount

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2. The **amounts** reported in Annex III **per WP, Action, Deliverable and cost category** Do Not agree with the **Approved Application Form** (see Table: “Cost per partner, action, budget line”)
3. The **Titles of the Deliverables** in Annex III/Column Description of deliverables Do Not agree with the Approved Application Form (see Table: “Deliverables” or “Costs per deliverable and partner”)
4. **The amounts** Reported in Annex III **per deliverable** are aggregated into 1 deliverable while they refer to 2 or 3 deliverables
5. **VAT is it eligible for the partner** and the specific cost category?

Solution 1 : Always Use the Approved Application Form (AF) (ask if there is an approved Modification and if yes use the modified version)

Solution 2: Check the AF table “Costs per deliverable & partner” and the partners’ budget “Cost per partner, action, budget line”

Solution 3: Check VAT status (eligible or not) , see how it is declared in the AF (see Partnership section), and fill in accordingly the “comments” column in Annex III

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7. In Annex III there are **3 tables** and not all of them are filled in.
8. Make sure that in **Annex I** you correctly report the cost categories included in Annex III

Solution 1 : **Always use 2 digits** when you make your calculations on verified expenses (11.912,40) otherwise the data cannot be inserted
In MIS

Solution 2: Always fill in all 3 tables of Annex III using the instructions
on the table of expenditure

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Delays in designating controllers & in **expenses verification.**

Solution 1: Produce verifications asap (preferably in 5 days)

Solution 2: Advise project partners to submit most paid expenses by 30/11/2012 but also accept paid expenses till the beginning of December for exceptional cases

Solution 3: Is it possible to verify advance payments to external experts?

Solution 4: Is it possible to verify staff costs for the entire month of December 2012 on 05/12/2012?

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