



Project contribution for beneficiaries of a FCH-JU Call

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WHY

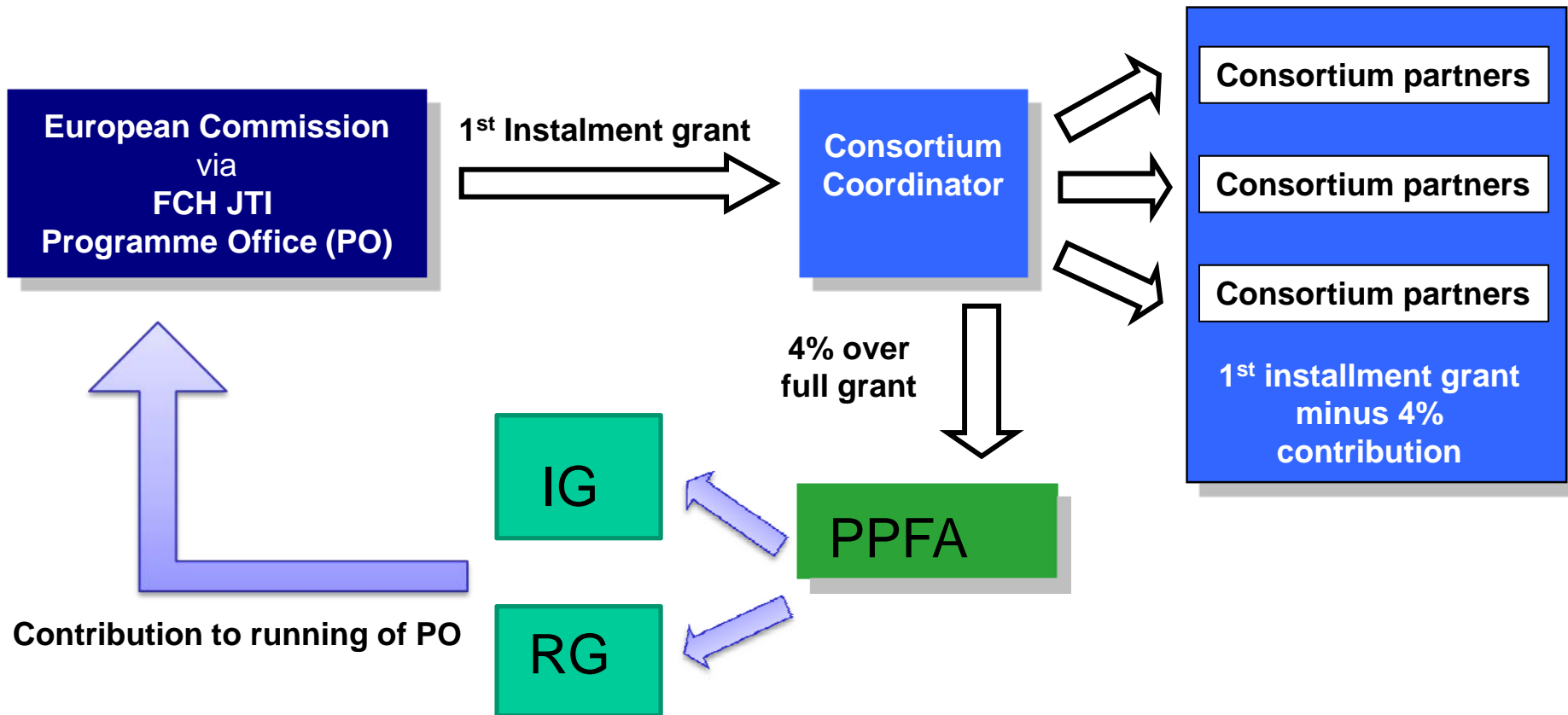
- The Joint Undertaking is a **Public/Private** partnership, so the cost of the programme are shared by public/private parties.
- An autonomous Programme-office, with 20 people staff and a separate office was established to run the grant-programme.
- The costs should be funded by the Community, industry and other public and private legal entities participating in the activities
- Private sector participants are partly organised in the NEW-IG and N.ERGHY; partly independent
- The running cost are funded by membership fees of NEW-IG and N.ERGHY and by the project-contribution from beneficiaries

To share these costs equally between the beneficiaries of the call the project-contribution was introduced

WHO

- For a consortium to be eligible for the call, at least one legal entity must be a member of NEW-IG or N.ERGHY
- In general, the coordinator of a call has to be a member of N.ERGHY or NEW-IG
- **All beneficiaries** of a call of the FCH JU – both members and non-members of NEW-IG/ N.ERGHY – are obliged to contribute an amount equal to 4% of the sum granted
- Proposal to improve the funding-rates released by EC on 20 April
- No ‘free ride’

Schematic overview collection process



HOW

- Basis is contractual structure and bylaws
- Standard clause in the consortium-agreement to commit consortium-partners
- Coordinator of the consortium to collect all contributions and to transfer the full amount on behalf of the consortium
- Standard practice: Coordinator sets of the payment of the 4% against the out-payment of the pre-payment of the grant.
- Payment-schedule for SME's struggling with economic viability (in case no pre-payment)

PPFA

- Money collected by Administrator on behalf of NEW-IG and N.ERGHY (Acting Administrator: NEW-IG Secretariat)
- Contribution held on a separate and dedicated account for this purpose (PPFA)
- Contribution only released to fund running cost of the PO
- Administrator serves as a collecting-office to transfer the money, so no services/VAT involved

FAQ

- **Is the project-contribution an eligible cost?**

No – the project contribution cannot be seen as a cost in the project

- **Will I receive my full grant?**

Yes – All beneficiaries receive the full grant. By setting the payment of the contribution of against the release of the pre-payment of the grant, two payments are made within one single transaction

- **Why can the Programme – office not just deduct this amount from the outset?**

The project contribution is not part of the grant

Thank you for your attention and please
do not hesitate to contact the NEW-IG
Secretariat for further questions

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