

Interim financial report EEA and Norway Financial Mechanisms 2021-2028

Interim financial report number 2

Programme summary

National Focal Point	Estonian State Shared Service Centre (SSSC)
Beneficiary State	Estonia
Programme title	Bilateral Fund Agreement Estonia 2021 - 2028
Programme code	EE-BF
Eligible Expenditure	€ 1,503,787.00
Programme grant rate	100.00 %
Programme grant amount	€ 1,503,787.00
EEA Grant Amount	€ 806,571.00
Norway Grant Amount	€ 697,216.00
Start date of eligibility	28/05/2025
Final date of eligibility	30/04/2032

Part A - Statement of expenditure declared and paid

Incurred expenditure - summary

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Start date of incurred expenditure period 01/01/2026

End date of incurred expenditure period 30/06/2026

	Previously declared expenditure	Declared expenditure for the period	Total declared to date
Eligible expenditure	€ 0.00	€ 0.00	€ 0.00
<i>EEA Grants</i>	€ 0.00	€ 0.00	€ 0.00
<i>Norway Grants</i>	€ 0.00	€ 0.00	€ 0.00

Incurred expenditure - details

Title: Activities carried out by the NFP

Brief description of declared expenditure (100-300 words)

No activities carried out by the NFP.

Eligible expenditures

Eligible expenditure - EUR
€ 0.00

Total

€ 0.00

Title: Call for proposals on national level

Brief description of declared expenditure (100-300 words)

No calls for proposals carried out on national level.

Eligible expenditures

Eligible expenditure - EUR
€ 0.00

Total

€ 0.00

Title: Pre-defined activities on national level

Brief description of declared expenditure (100-300 words)

No payments made to approved national level pre-defined bilateral initiatives.

Eligible expenditures

Eligible expenditure - EUR
€ 0.00

Total

€ 0.00

Part B - Statement of expenditure proposed

Proposed expenditure - summary

Start date of proposed expenditure period 01/01/2027

End date of proposed expenditure period 30/06/2027

	Previous advance and interim payments	Interim payment this period	Total to date
Eligible expenditure	€ 150,379.00	€ 69,621.00	€ 220,000.00
<i>EEA Grants</i>	€ 80,657.26	€ 37,341.91	€ 117,999.17
<i>Norway Grants</i>	€ 69,721.74	€ 32,279.09	€ 102,000.83

Title: Activities carried out by the NFP

Brief description of proposed expenditure (100-500 words)

No activities planned to be carried out by the NFP.

Title: Call for proposals on national level

Brief description of proposed expenditure (100-500 words)

No calls for proposals planned on national level.

Title: Pre-defined activities on national level

Brief description of proposed expenditure (100-500 words)

The first bilateral initiative was approved on the 21st of January 2026:

"Preparation and implementation of cybersecurity teaching materials for general schoolteachers - assessment on digital and cybersecurity competences - EST & NO CyberEd" (budget 559 554 euros, cooperation between Estonian Ministry of Justice and Digital Affairs and Norwegian Directorate for Education and Training).

The second bilateral initiative was approved on the 19th of February 2026:

"Grassroots Football Coaching Course Estonia (GFCC): Advancing Gender Equality through Inclusive Grassroots Football" (budget 96 626 euros, cooperation between Football Association of Norway and Estonian Football Association).

First payments under these 2 bilateral initiatives are foreseen in 2027.

Additionally, there is a great interest towards Bilateral Fund. The draft proposal of the Information System Authority of Estonia got its first feedback from NFP, expected to be formally submitted in August/September for approval in September/October JCBF meeting.

There has also been interest from Estonian Refugee Council, Estonian Police and Border Guard Board, University of Tartu, BJØRK Innovation, Bodø2024 Legacy AS, Estonian Association of SMEs, Faktisk.no AS.

	Previous advance and interim payments	Proposed expenditure for the period	Total to date
Eligible expenditure	€ 150,379.00	€ 69,621.00	€ 220,000.00

Part C - Forecast

	Allocation (a)	Estimated absorption rate (b)	Paid 2025 (c1)	Paid Jan-Jun 2026 (d)	Jul-Dec 2026 (e)	Payment current 2026 (f)=(d)+(e)	Payment 2027 (g)	Payment until the end of the FM (h)=(i)-sum(cn)-(f)-(g)	Total forecast (i)=(a)*(b)
Total by programme	€ 1,503,787.00	100.00 %	€ 150,379.00	€ 0.00	€ 69,621.00	€ 69,621.00	€ 200,000.00	€ 1,083,787.00	€ 1,503,787.00
EEA Grants	€ 806,571.00	100.00 %	€ 80,657.26	€ 0.00	€ 37,341.91	€ 37,341.91	€ 107,271.97	€ 581,299.86	€ 806,571.00
Norway Grants	€ 697,216.00	100.00 %	€ 69,721.74	€ 0.00	€ 32,279.09	€ 32,279.09	€ 92,728.03	€ 502,487.14	€ 697,216.00

National Focal Point

Full legal name: Estonian State Shared Service Centre (SSSC EE)

National Focal Point signature

I certify that I am duly authorised to sign this interim financial report and that the proposed expenditure described in Part B from which this interim payment is calculated is a realistic estimate of the expenditure that will actually be required by the Funds for bilateral relations at national level in the period referred to in Part B.

I have thoroughly reviewed the expenditure declared in Part A and confirm that the information provided is accurate. I confirm that activities under the Funds for bilateral relations at national level are carried out as described in the Bilateral Fund Agreement and that the declared expenditure is correctly represented.

Overall implementation status (including milestones):

The first bilateral initiative was approved on the 21st of January 2026 (presented in the 2025 October JCBF meeting):

"Preparation and implementation of cybersecurity teaching materials for general schoolteachers - assessment on digital and cybersecurity competences - EST & NO CyberEd" (budget 559 554 euros, cooperation between Estonian Ministry of Justice and Digital Affairs and Norwegian Directorate for Education and Training).

The second bilateral initiative was approved on the 19th of February 2026 (presented in the 2026 February JCBF meeting):

"Grassroots Football Coaching Course Estonia (GFCC): Advancing Gender Equality through Inclusive Grassroots Football" (budget 96 626 euros, cooperation between Football Association of Norway and Estonian Football Association).

Both bilateral initiatives were also visited by the donors during the first Annual Meeting of 2021-28 EEA and Norway Grants in May 2026. The Annual Meeting as well as the project visits were successful. Projects have started well with no big setbacks.

Additionally, there is a great interest towards Bilateral Fund. The draft proposal of the Information System Authority of Estonia got its first feedback from NFP, expected to be formally submitted in August/September for approval in the next JCBF meeting in September/October.

There has also been interest from Estonian Refugee Council, Estonian Police and Border Guard Board, University of Tartu, BJØRK Innovation, Bodø2024 Legacy AS, Estonian Association of SMEs, Faktisk.no AS.

Question	Answer	Comment
Were monitoring and verifications conducted to ensure quality and/or regularity of implementation?	N/A	No payments made to approved national level pre-defined bilateral initiatives. Approved bilateral initiatives were visited during AM in May 2026. Projects have started well with no big setbacks.
Are project-level information in Grace updated with the most recent financial data?	Yes	2 approved national level bilateral initiatives have been entered into GrACE.

Are all the irregularities, their investigation and any remedies taken reported?	N/A	There have been no irregularities.
Are the special conditions and rules set out in the Bilateral Fund Agreement fulfilled?	Yes	Bilateral Fund Agreement has been followed.

For the National Focal Point

Signed in on

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Certification of expenditure declared and co-financing

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Start date of declared expenditure period	01/01/2026
End date of declared expenditure period	30/06/2026
Expenditure declared this period	€ 0.00
Start date of proposed expenditure period	01/01/2027
End date of proposed expenditure period	30/06/2027
Expenditure proposed this period	€ 69,621.00
Cumulative co-financing reported to date (part A)	€ 0.00
Cumulative co-financing planned (including proposed amount in part B)	€ 0.00
The Certifying Authority hereby certifies that:	

- for incurred expenditure and fulfilment of conditions for simplified cost options (SCOs):
 - a. the supporting documents for incurred expenditure and fulfilment of conditions for SCOs have been examined and found to be authentic, correct and accurate;
 - b. payments have been executed as reported;
 - c. when relevant, that the interest to date has been reported in the relevant Interim Financial Reports;
 - d. the expenditure included in the report have been reported within the 12 months of the end of the reporting period in which it should have been declared.
- for incurred expenditure:
 - e. the summary of eligible expenditure submitted by the National Focal Point is in full conformity with the supporting documents;
 - f. the summary of eligible expenditure is based on verifiable accounting which is in compliance with generally accepted accounting principles and methods;
 - g. the summary of eligible expenditure falls within eligible expenditure under the Regulation for the implementation of the EEA / Norwegian Financial Mechanisms 2021-2028;
 - h. the summary of expenditure is incurred as part of the implementation of the Funds for bilateral relations at national level in accordance with the Bilateral Fund Agreement;
 - i. sufficient audit trail exists.

For the Certifying Authority

Signed in on

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