# ANNEX 1: Application Form

**Call for expression of interest to participate in a pilot action on engaging citizens in the implementation of cohesion policy**

Please complete this form electronically and send it to: REGIO-E1-ADMINISTRATIVE-CAPACITY@ec.europa.eu

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| 1. **Information about the applicant**
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| 1.1. | Name of managing authority / intermediate body |  |
| 1.2. | Name of operational programme |  |
| 1.3. | Contact person for this application | Name, surname |  |
| Job title |  |
| Phone (e.g. +32-00000000) |  |
| E-mail |  |
| 1.4. | Language portfolio/profile of the contact person and core team members | Language(s) used for daily work |  |
| Knowledge of other (foreign) languages  |  |

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| 1. **Motivation and commitment**
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| Please explain why your organisation is interested in participating in the pilot and to what extent it would be able and willing to commit to the project and to its follow-up (e.g. implementation of the recommendations and the action plan). Please provide an indication of the resources that can be made available for the pilot.  |
| *Max. 500 words* |
| 1. **Interaction with relevant national coordination body/ministry**
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| Please indicate whether the relevant national coordination body/ministry (or equivalent) is informed about your application. What role do you envisage for the relevant national coordination body/ministry in the pilot project?  |
| *Max. 200 words* |
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| 1. **Main area for strengthening citizen engagement linked to the effective and efficient implementation of cohesion policy at sector, policy or programme level.**
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| Please provide a description of **the main area for strengthening citizen engagement linked to the effective and efficient implementation of cohesion policy at sector, policy or programme level** for which you would like to make use of external expertise. |
| *Max 500 words* |

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| 1. **Sustainability**
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| Please explain how you intend to **ensure implementation of the recommendations and the action plan on how to improve citizen engagement in implementation of the ERDF and Cohesion Fund.** |
| *Max 500 words* |

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| 1. **Relevant level for strengthening citizen engagement in cohesion policy**
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| Please select and explain to which level of implementation of cohesion policy your expression of interest to strengthen citizen engagement corresponds the most. |
| 6.1. National level YES 🞏  |
| *Max 200 words* |
| 6.2. Regional YES 🞏 |
| *Max 200 words* |
| 3.3. Sectoral YES 🞏 |
| *Max 200 words* |
| 6.4. Other – please specify YES 🞏 |
| *Max 200 words* |

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| 1. **Dissemination**
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| Please explain to what extent your are willing to share and how you envisage to disseminate the outcomes and results of the pilot project with other MAs/IBs that would potentially be interested in adopting a similar approach. |
| *Max 500 words* |