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**Main Financial Terms and Conditions for Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (H2020)**

**Allowable Costs**

**AmendmEnts & notifications**

**Periodic reporting:**

Required 60 days after end of each respective period

 **(Form C Annex VI).**

* Overview progress work
* Explanation Use of Resources
* Form C together with a summary financial report and certificate (**Form C Annex VI**).
* Receipts must be declared on the financial statement

**Final reporting:**

Required 60 days after the end of the project

 **(Form C Annex VI).**

* Requirements as above.
* Co-ordinator must submit a certified report on the distribution of financial contribution between beneficiaries. Must be submitted 30 days after receipt of final payment.

Financial reports are required to be certified by an auditor (**Form D** **Annex VII)** when **value greater than or equal to €325,000 at end of grant**

* ‘Certification of Financial Statements’ (CFS) (audit) costs can be aligned under the cagetory ‘other’ with overhead allowable on this cost.
* Move from 12mongh to 18month financial reporting period but increased request for 6mth financial progress reports.
* Electronic only signature on Grant Agreements and financial statement submissions and the electronic-only transmission of the certificates on financial statements and certificates on the methodology (forms D and E)
* Use of Fixed 1720 hours p.a. for personnel costs annual productive hours. Hourly rate to be calculated per financial year.
* Increased emphasis on time records with increased level of detail required.

**Financial Reporting**

The Commission should be notified by the coordinator when:

* A change in the PI or institution is required;
* The Rules for Participation, Financial Regulation, or Implementation are being breached.
* Delays in the implementation of the project occur;

The project needs to be suspended or terminated;

There must be full justification and information relating to the event, as well as an estimation of the date when the work on the project will recommence.

* The project is no longer in compliance with the H2020 grant agreement, or beneficiary responsibilities are not being met.

*Costs claimed must be in accordance with*

*the approved project budget, incurred by NUIG,*

*during duration of contract (or where final reviews applicable - specific costs within 60 days of the end date as agreed with the EC project officer), and for the specific project purpose.*

*Public entities must follow the national procurement policies.*

**Eligible direct costs** – only the following costs can be claimed for H2020 projects and must be directly attributable to the award and in line with the Description of Works (Annex 1):

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| * Personnel Costs – total personnel cost for productive hours 1720hrs p.a. (with timesheets maintained)
* Approved Subcontractor costs (not allowed between consortium partners)
 | * Consumables
* Conference Fees
* Travel and subsistence costs
* Equipment (depreciation only for project period for equipment subject to depreciation)
* Airport/City Taxes only
* VAT
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**Ineligible direct costs:**

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| * Unproductive personnel costs
* Indirect taxes / charges (Exchange losses, duties, interest, provision for losses)
* Overheads

Exchange losses, cost related to return on capital.* Debt and debt service

 charges | * Costs funded by another EU projects
* Resources received free of charge
* Administration costs (indirect costs not attributed in full to project)
* Cost of recruitment (exception ERC)
* Excessive and Reckless Expenditure
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**Note: Refer to specific call documents for further eligible and ineligible costs and the** [**horizon 2020**](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/faq) **frequently asked questions. See the** [**EU Participant Portal**](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/reference_docs.html) **for information and updates.**