



Compensation of expenses, losses of Municipal Enterprises in Balti as a result of actions taken to prevent, reduce and eliminate the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic

Country name:		Republic of Moldova
Region:		North Development Region
City:		Balti
Public organisation responsible for the initiative	National language	Primăria municipiului Bălți
	English	City Hall of Balti municipality
Department (if any)		General Financial-Economic Department
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Initiative description

Title:	Compensation of expenses, losses of Municipal Enterprises in Balti as a result of actions taken to prevent, reduce and eliminate the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic
Features of group/s of beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 Municipal Enterprises (ME) from Bălți municipality that took actions in order to prevent, reduce and eliminate the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic. (ME Baltic Road Repairs and Constructions, Territorial Planning and Green Spaces, Balti Hotel, Supply, Trolleybus Department, Residential-Communal Household, Our Language).
Initiative / tool objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting the economic activity of the Municipal Enterprises from Bălți municipality and ensuring the continuity of the activities carried out by ME
Steps / phases / stages of tool / initiative implementation and its activities description	<p><u>Step 1. Requesting support from Local Public Authority</u></p> <p>Requesting the support of the local public administration in order to maintain the economic activity of the Municipal Enterprises in Balti</p> <p>Scope of activities (activities description):</p> <p>8 (eight) Municipal enterprises with legal headquarters in Bălți municipality sent to the Bălți Municipal Council addresses/letters with the request regarding the compensation of</p>

	<p>expenses and losses resulting from the actions undertaken in order to prevent, reduce and eliminate the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p><u>Step 2. Organising the provision of support</u></p> <p>Supporting the economic activity of the Municipal Enterprises from Bălți municipality Purpose of activities (description): Following the requests of the Municipal Enterprises, the Balti Municipal Council approved Decision no. 5/5 of 05.06.2020 and Decision no. 6/6 of 10.07.2020 which ensured the compensation of expenses and losses resulting from the actions taken in order to prevent, reduce and eliminate the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic. The value of the support provided is 5,963,800 lei. The financial means were allocated from the reserve fund of Bălți City Hall.</p>
Expected result(s)	<p><u>Initiative / tool organisation dimension (what kind of added-value the initiative / tool brings for the implementing organization?):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The implementation of the initiative contributed to the consolidation of the role of the Balti Municipal Council as the founder of the Municipal Enterprises • Development of LPA managerial capacities, consolidation of procedures in crisis situations <p><u>Beneficiaries dimension (what kind of added-value the initiative / tool brings for the Target Group members?):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The implementation of the initiative contributed to the consolidation of the financial capacities of the economic agents during the state of emergency on the territory of the Republic of Moldova • The continuation of services to citizens was ensured • Continuing the accumulation of income during a pandemic and the continuity of economic activity

Transferability

Transferability to other countries (to be assessed by all Project Partners)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium – the initiative / tool can be transferred with the fulfilment of some demanding requirements by adopting organization
Transferability on country of origin level (to be assessed by all Partner from specific country)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High – the initiative / tool can be transferred without the fulfilment of demanding requirements by adopting organization
Necessary resources	<p>Technical infrastructure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Basic office infrastructure of LPA • Technology: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Basic ICT infrastructure (telephone, printer, e-mail, computer, internet connection)

	<p>Knowledge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competencies of members of implementing team: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Knowledge in the field of local public finances ○ Communication skills • Procedures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Approval and execution of the Decision of the Municipal Council ○ Procedures regarding the representation of the Municipal Council within the ME
	<p>Types (categories) of costs to be covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costs to compensate for expenditures and losses resulting from actions taken to prevent, mitigate and eliminate the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic <p>Amounts of costs to be financed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The value of the support granted is 5,963,800 lei (approx. 285,300 EUR).
<p>Key success factors:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local public administration strategy to support municipal enterprises • Effective communication between LPA and IM, including effectively applied administrative tools
<p>Key challenges:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The initiative was organized without major challenges.
<p>Impact on regional economy (general description)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitigation of unemployment risks • Ensuring the continuation of services to citizens