



Introduction to Lump Sum II Budget December 2021 NEO Jordan





Lump sum II - Why use lump sums?

Significant simplification potential:

- Despite all simplifications, funding based on reimbursement of incurred costs stays complex and error-prone
- Lump sum project funding removes all obligations on actual cost reporting and financial ex-post audits i.e. a major reduction of administrative burden

Focus on performance:

 Shift from focus on financial management and checking costs to focus on the content of the projects





Lump sum II: approach – basic principles

- A new methodology has been developed to determine the amount of the lump sum of the proposal
- In the proposal, applicants must provide a detailed estimation of costs and a split of the lump sum per work package and per beneficiary
- Evaluators assess cost details during evaluation and make recommendations if needed.
- Based on this, the lump sum is fixed during grant preparation





Lump sum II: approach – basic principles

Lump sum evaluation and grant agreement follow standard approach as much as possible:

- Same evaluation criteria
- Same pre-financing and payment scheme
- Reporting periods and technical reporting though focusing on completion of work packages

One lump sum share is fixed in the grant agreement for each work package (Annex 2, Estimated lump sum breakdown)





Lump sum II – Budget allocation

Annex 2

Lump sum = Maximum grant amount

Max. liability of the beneficiary after payment of balance

_	WP1	WP2	WP3	WP4	WP5	WP6	WP7	WP8	Total
Beneficiary A	250.000			50.000	300.000	250.000		300.000	1.150.000
Beneficiary B		250.000	350.000	50.000			100.000	150.000	900.000
Beneficiary C	100.000	100.000		50.000		280.000			530.000
Beneficiary D		120.000		50.000			100.000	150.000	420.000
Total	350.000	470.000	350.000	200.000	300.000	530.000	200.000	600.000	3.000.000



Share of the lump sum per WP





Lump sum II – work packages



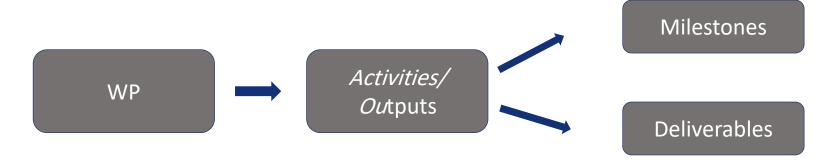
• Beneficiaries might work simultaneously and/or sequentially in different or the same WP.





Lump sum II – work packages

- Applicant will divide their project in WPs and reflect this division in the budget attached in the application
- Each work package will define the activities/outputs and the corresponding deliverables.







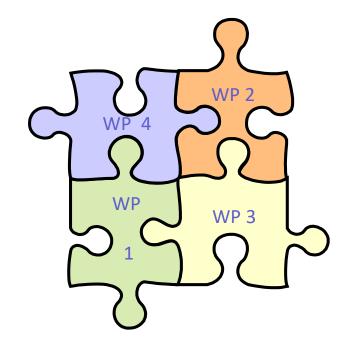
Lump sum II – work packages

As many as needed but no more than what is manageable

'Work package means a major sub-division of the proposed project.'

Therefore:

- A single activity is not a WP
- A single task is not a WP
- ➤ A % of progress of work is not a WP (e.g. 50 % of the tests)
- A lapse of time is generally not a WP (e.g. activities of year 1)



Horizontal work packages (e.g.: Management, Dissemination and Exploitation, etc.) may be approached differently





Lump sum II – How will the proposal be evaluated?

- Applicants have to submit an Excel workbook with the detailed estimation of costs
- The purpose of the Excel workbook is two-fold:
 - Supporting applicants in preparing their detailed budget estimate
 - Allowing evaluators to assess the adequacy between the activities described in the proposal and the proposed resources





Lump sum II – How will the proposal be evaluated

The Agency will internally check:

- The declared cost need to be approximate to actual cost and comply with basic eligibility criteria of actual cost (art 6, Annotated Grant Agreement AGA)
- The call specifications: co-financing rate, maximum amount of the grant, indirect cost
- The justification and alignments to rules for subcontracting and Financial support to third parties
- They will propose to remove ineligible cost (activities outside eligibility period, activities already implemented, eligibility of consortium)





Lump sum II – How will the proposal be evaluated?

- Evaluators will check :
 - the detailed estimation of costs and look whether the resources proposed and split of lump sum shares allow completing the activities described in the proposal and achieving the expected outputs.
 - the appropriateness of the split of WP and the output quality
 - the co-financing rate, maximum amount of the grant.
- Evaluators, if needed, will make <u>clear</u> recommendations on lump sum breakdown, division of WP, and on the detailed estimations of costs (overestimations).
- If needed, evaluators can request historical, statistical or other reliable data, previously requested on concrete actions.





Lump sum II – How will the proposal be evaluated?

• To assess budget estimate, evaluators need to consult the 'Estimated costs of the project' sheet and may need to consult as well the individual 'Beneficiary Calculation Sheet (BEx)' of the Excel template to see the details of estimated costs per beneficiary.



Funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union Lump Sum Type II, the mechanism



Start from a budget based on cost categories, then redistribute by Work Package

BUDGET BASED

Cost categories

	Estimated eligible costs (per budget category)								
	Direct costs						Indirect costs		
	A. Personnel costs		B. C. Purchase costs			E. Indirect costs	Total costs		
	A.1 Employees (or equivalent)	A.2Volunteers	B. Subcontracting	C.1 Travel and	d subsistence	C.2 Equipment	C.3 Other goods, works and	E. Indirect costs	
				Travel	Subsistence				
Forms of funding	Actual costs	Actual costs	Actual costs	Actual costs	Actual costs	Actual costs	Actual costs	Flat-rate costs	
Acme Inc Italy	80.000						13.458	6.542	100.000
Super Nova	140.000	-	1	-	-	30.000	16.916	13.084	200.000
Widget Itd	90.000			-	ı		3.458	6.542	100.000
Total	310.000	-	-	-	-	-	33.832	26.168	400.000

LUMP SUM BASED

Work Packages

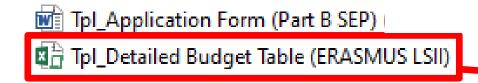
WORK PACKAGES								
BE NR/AE	WP 001 Design	WP 002 Build	WP 003 Test	Maximum Grant Amount				
Acme Inc Italy	80.000	-	•	80.000				
Super Nova	-	160.000	-	160.000				
Widget Itd	-	-	80.000	80.000				
TOTAL	80.000	160.000	80.000	320.000				

LUMP SUM (80% Co-financing)





1. Where to find the Budget Excel table



Here is the budget Excel file to be filled in based on estimated actual costs





2. Presentation of the Excel table

Instructions

- 1 This proposal workbook for Lump Sum calculation must be uploaded as an additional document in the step called 'Fill in Proposal' of proposal submission.
 - Please note that if you do not upload the Excel workbook, the proposal cannot be submitted (the system will not allow you to sumit).
- 2 According to the Lump sum scheme, the lump sum for a Work Package (WP) will be paid only when the entire Work Package has been completed. Please take it into consideration while structuring your proposal. Work Packages should be designed in a way that enables to clearly identify whether the action has been completed.
- 3 We recommend using Excel 2010 or more recent.
- 4 The only currency used in this worksheet is EURO.
- The first thing you need to do is to set the appropriate Maximum Grant Amount in row 32 of this sheet and the % of cofinancing in row 33 (both in column E). This data can be found on the Portal under Topic Conditions section 6. Proposal templates, guidance and model grant agreements (MGA)
- You then have to fill in **only** the following sheets: 'Beneficiaries List' 'Work Package list' 'BEx' (one sheet for each Beneficiary 'Depreciation costs' (if any) and the last column of the 'Proposal Budget' sheet with teh Requested EU Contribution.

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 - To add beneficiaries, please doubleclick on the appropriate join
 - Once you are done please ensure that the changes are applied by double clicking the relative icon
- 8 Once you have completed the 'Beneficiari' List' 'Work Package list' sheet, you must click the "Apply changes" button to generate the related sheets in the Excel works ox.
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 You are request to to enter for each Beneficiary Spreadsheet, all the related costs of each WorkPackage.

Read carefully the tab instructions where you will find the information needed to fill in this Excel file

Instructions

Beneficiaries List

Work Packages List

BE 001

Estim costs of the project

Proposal Budget

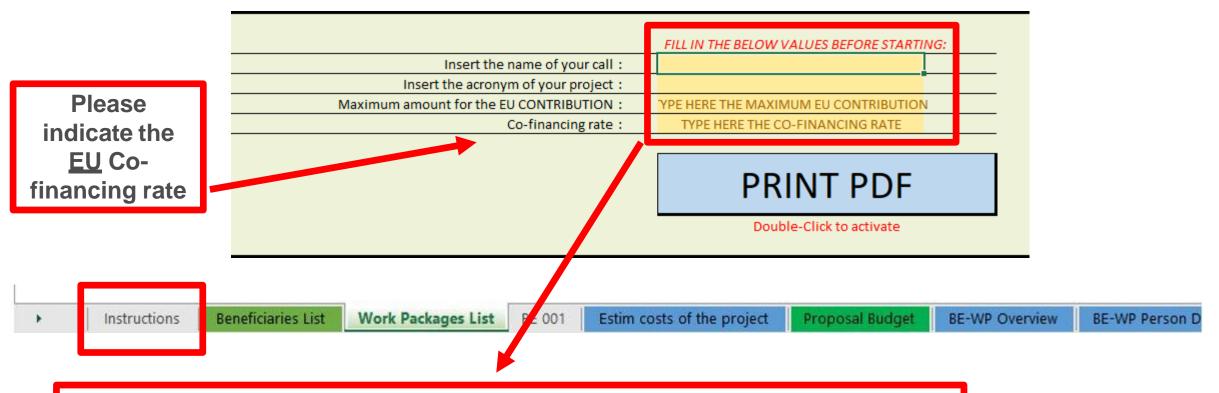
BE-WP Overview

BE-WP Person Days





2. Presentation of the Excel table



You will first have to fill in that information in the tab « instructions » based on the information mentioned in the Erasmus+ Programme guide





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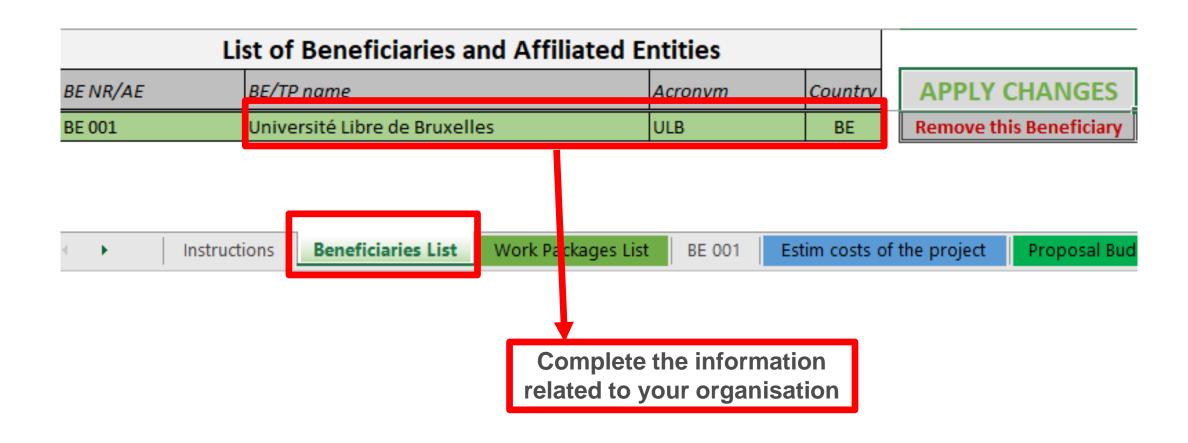
BE-WP Person Days

These 4 tabs will have to be filled in in order for your **Detailed** budget table to be complete, before uploading it into the **Submission** system



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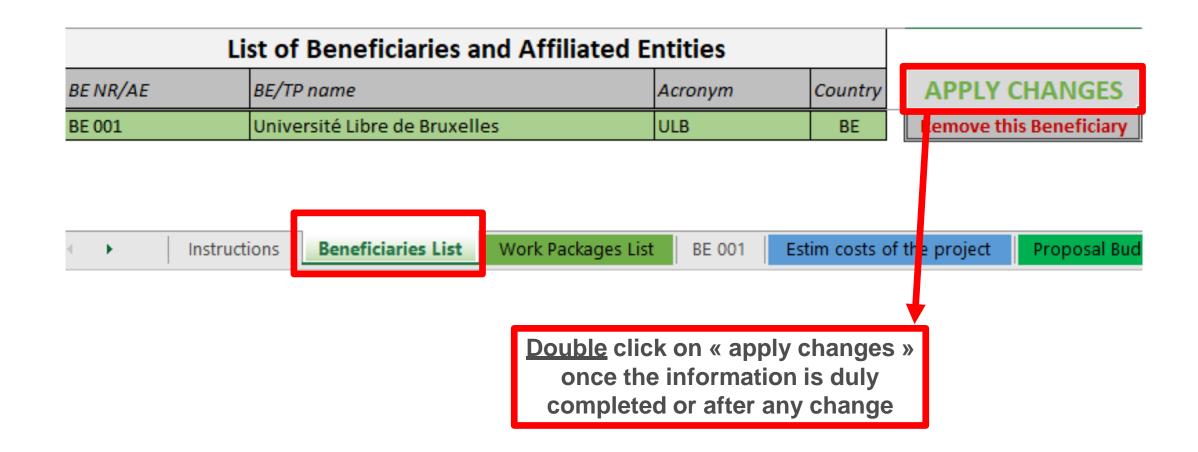






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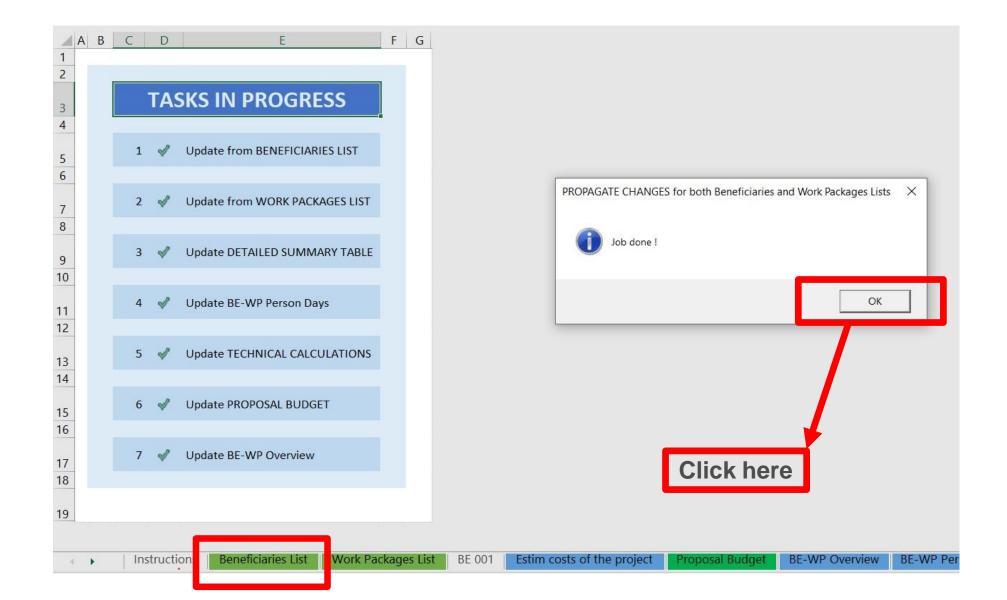






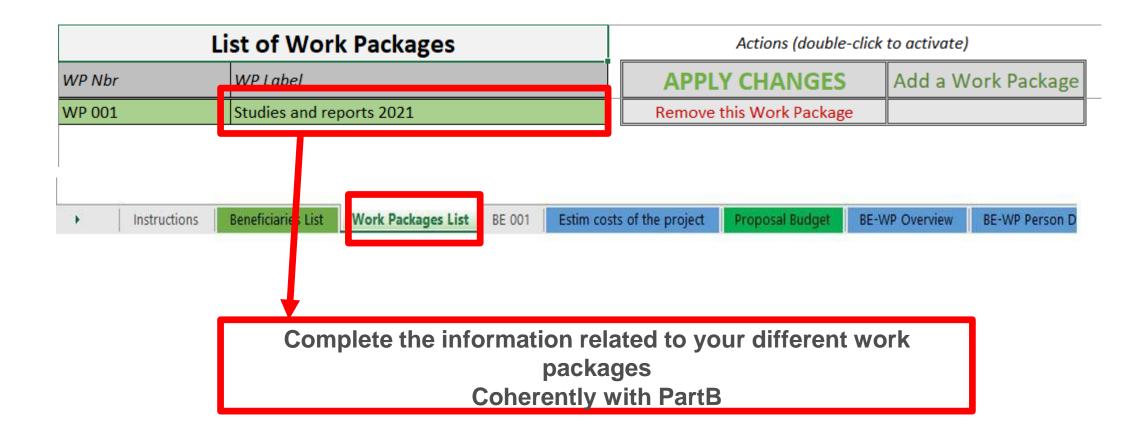
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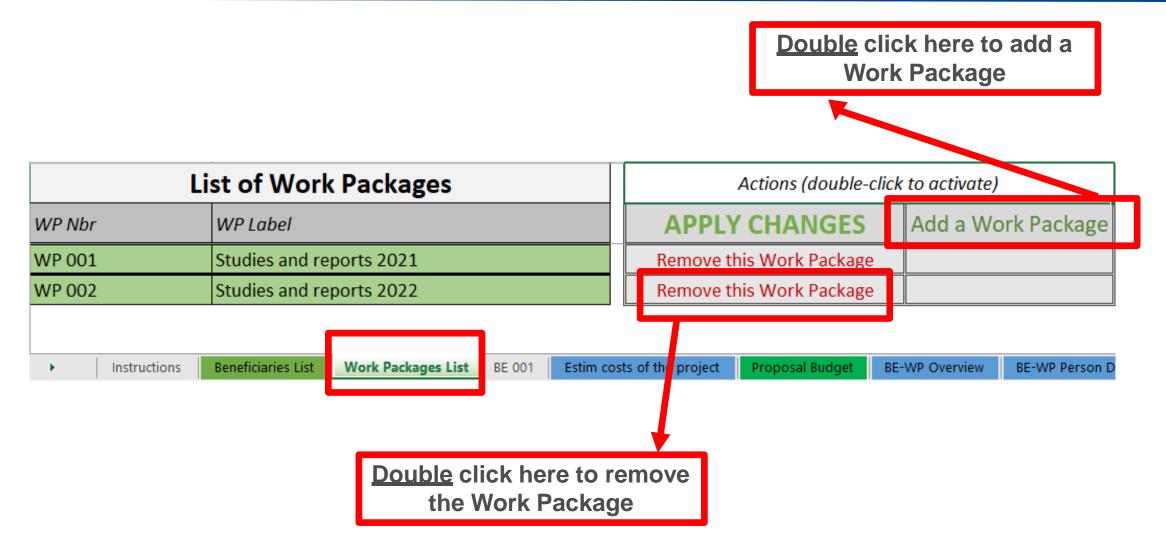






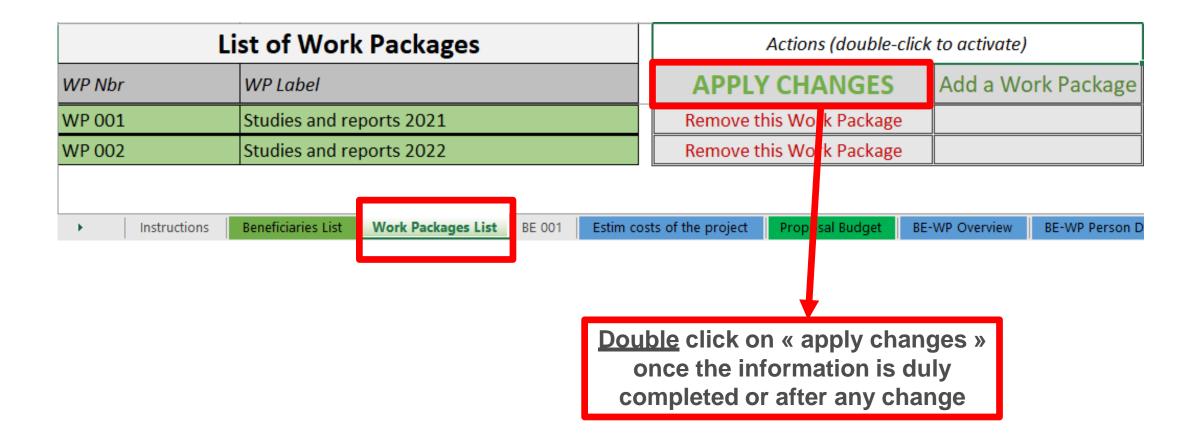






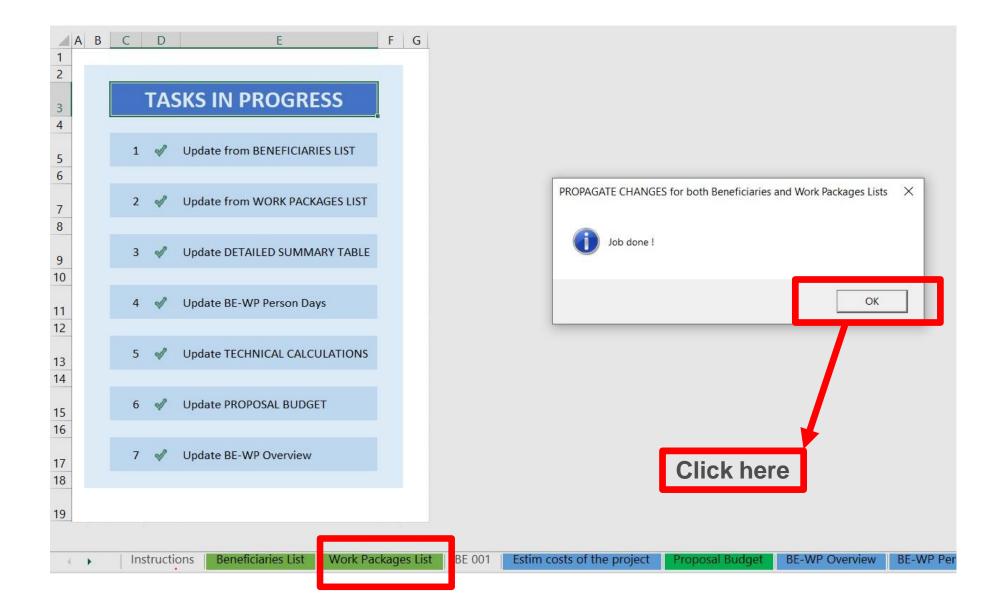








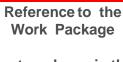






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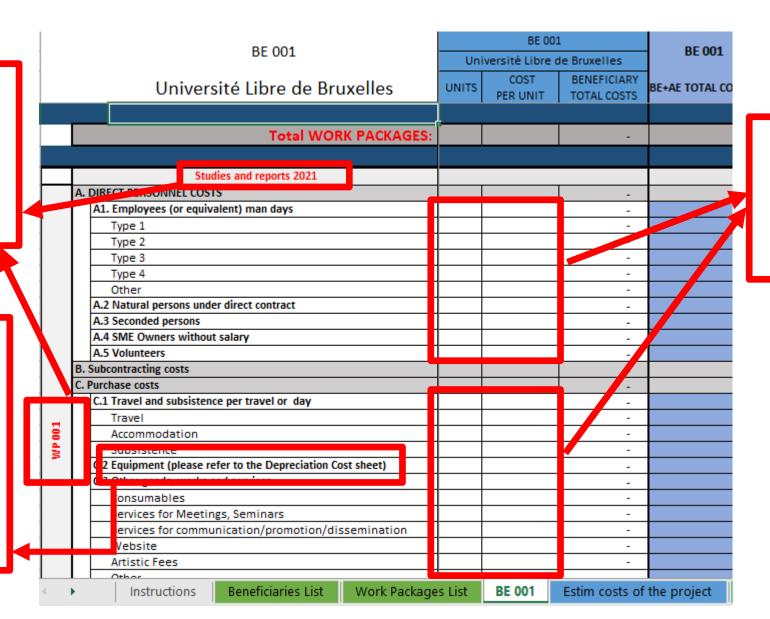




Just go down in the Excel sheet to see the other Work Packages

You have to fill in the estimated actual cost per Work Package

The indirect costs are automatically calculated and are intended to cover all costs linked to the general administration of the project (PCs, portables, supplies, paper, electricity, etc.)



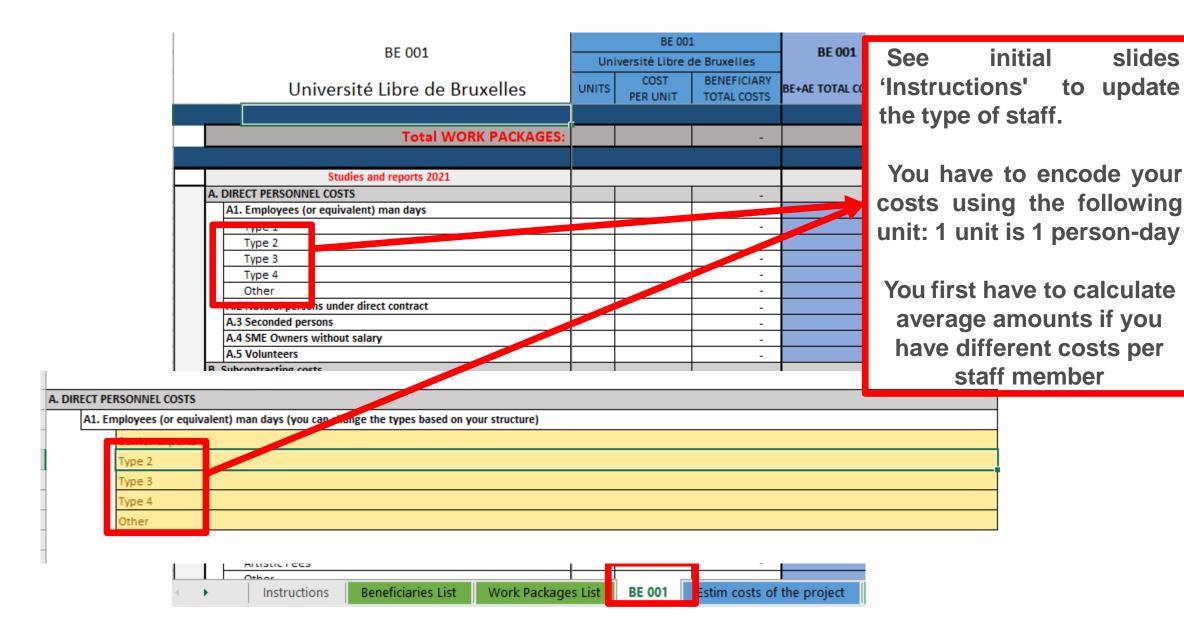
Cells that need to be filled in

For each cost (line) both columns have to be filled in

The other columns will be automatically calculated

Erasmus+ Programme 5. Report of the estimated actual costs

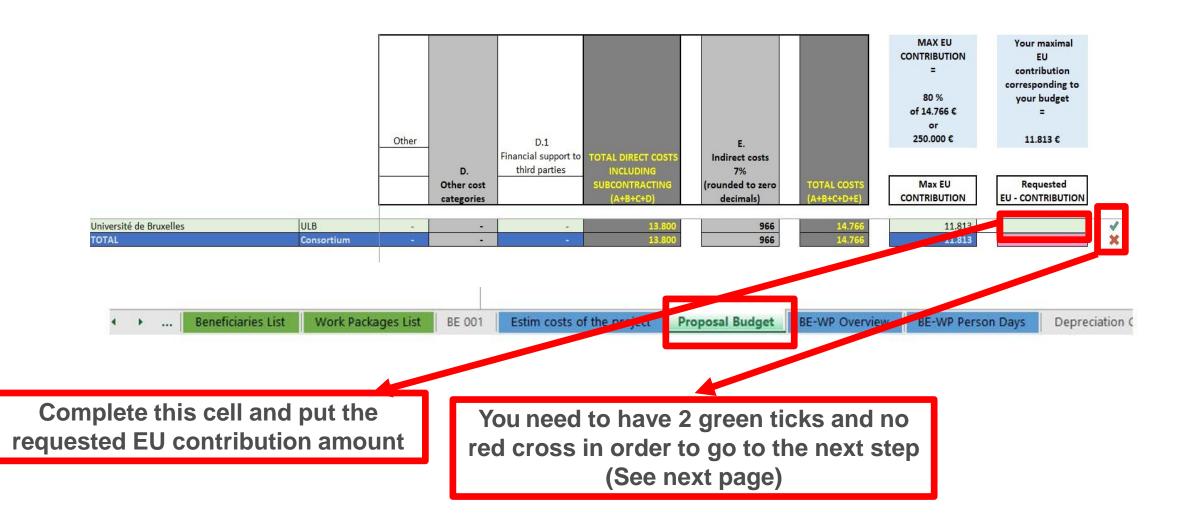






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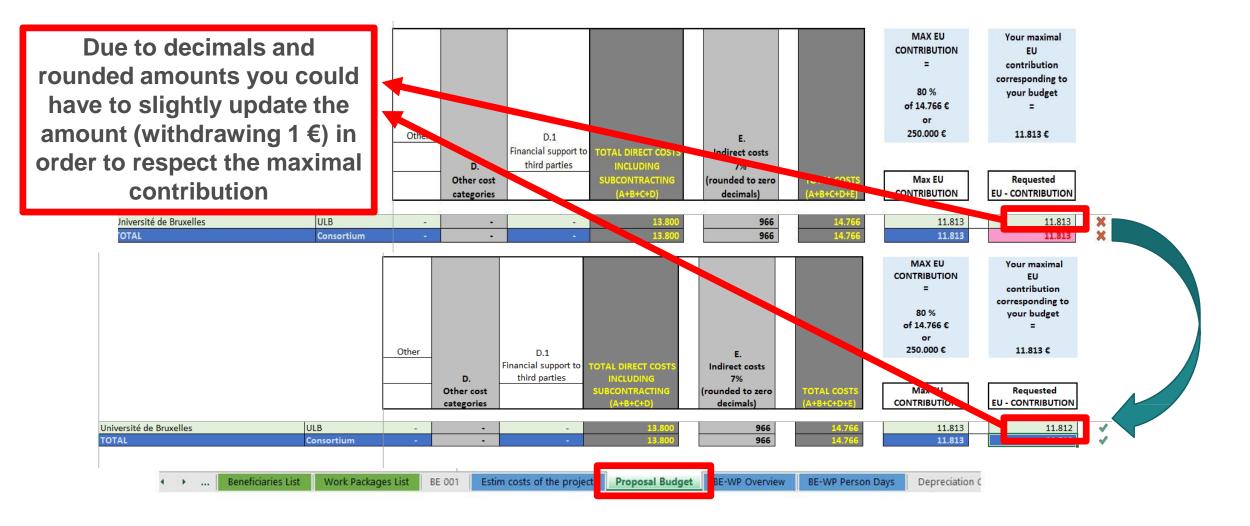






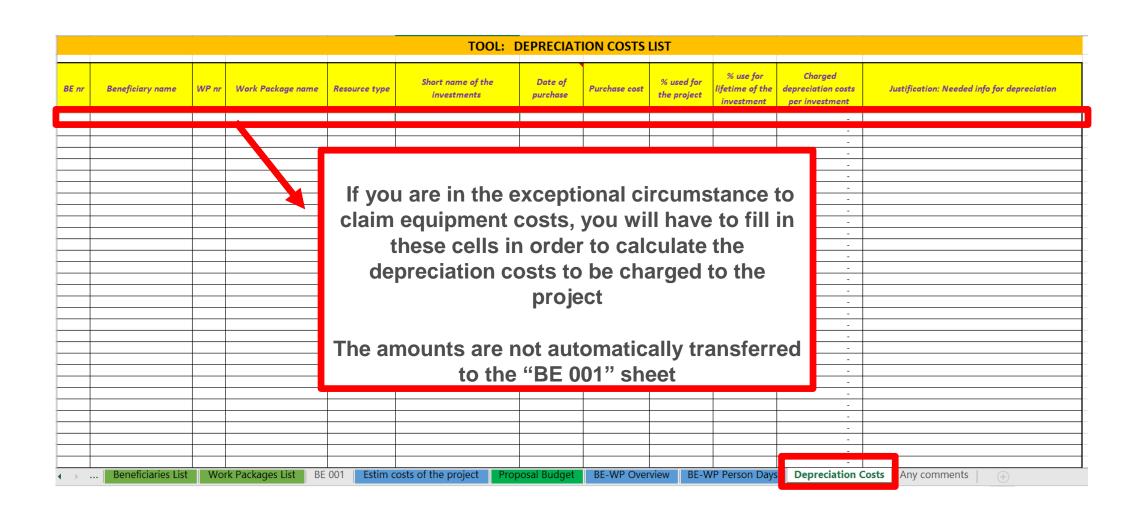
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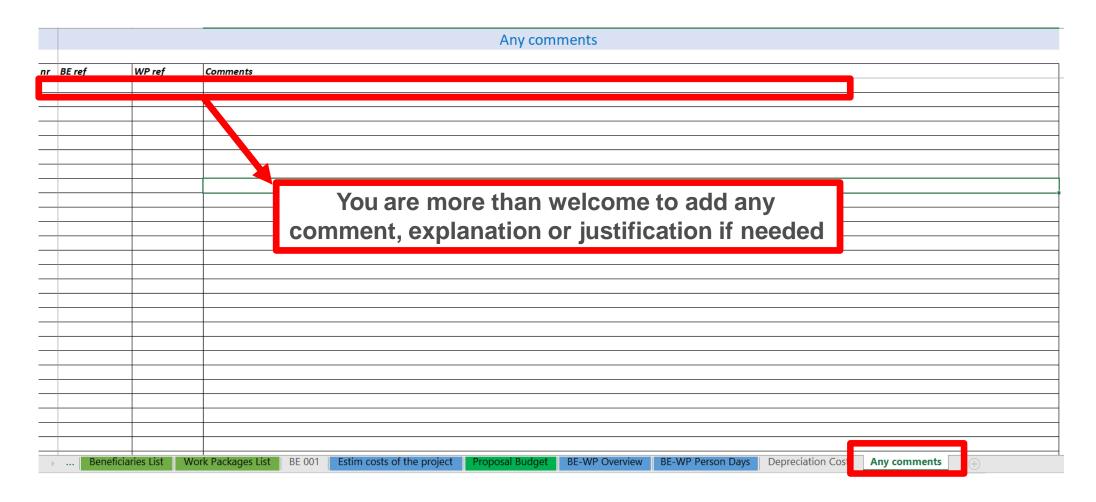








7. Complementary information



8. Upload the file in the application



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- 17 The 'BE-WP Overview', 'Estim costs of the project' and 'BE-WP person days' sheets are there for your information and will be used during evaluation.
- 18 If you have any comment, you can use the 'Any comments' sheet.
- 19 The format of this Excel workbook is .xlsm because it uses macros to generate automatically some data. Always save it as

However, this format cannot be uploaded to the submission system for security reasons.

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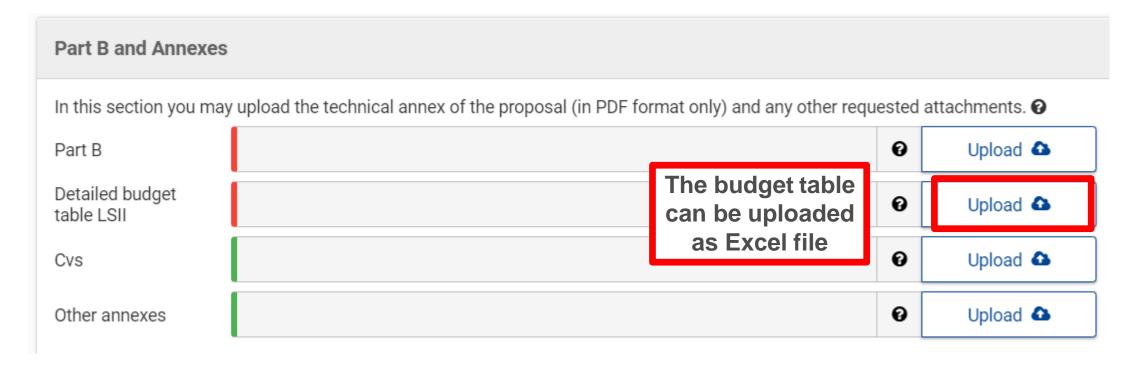
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Lumps sums II – Information to Applicants & GAP

Invitation letter with proposed grant amount and disclaimer on possible changes on the lump sum tables:

5. Maximum grant amount:

Requested EU contribution (according to proposal): 8,792,488.25 EUR

Maximum grant amount (proposed amount, after evaluation): 8,171,820.94 EUR

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10. Other information

In addition, this topic is governed by Commission Decision C(2017)7151. The cost estimates provided in the proposals in order to determine the lump sum were assessed under Criterion 3 "Quality and efficiency of the implementation" for their accuracy and appropriateness. According to the independent experts, in some cases, either the activities were deemed unjustified or the provided costs estimates were deemed disproportionate compared to the proposed scientific work described in your proposal and this is reflected with a reduced proposed maximum grant amount. The application of the proposed reduction(s) per Work Package and beneficiary are provided in a table, which you will receive with a separate communication.



Useful links



- E- grant vademecum [internal only]
- DG BUDG vademecum [internal only]
- <u>Funding and tender portal (MGA, Lump sum decision)</u>
- Youtube Video: all I need to know on lump sum





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