



Overview of IMI's rules and procedures

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Funding Rules



Eligible for IMI funding (beneficiaries)



- Academic institutions
- Non-profit research organizations
- Small & medium-size enterprises
- Non-profit patient organizations
- Non-profit public bodies and intergovernmental organizations including specialized agencies

carrying out activities in a Member State or a country
associated to FP7



Funding principles

- **Direct eligible costs -> personnel, consumables, equipment,...**
- **What's new!**
 - Actual or average personnel costs personnel costs
 - Flat rate for SME owners



Funding principles

- **Indirect eligible costs → overheads**
 - Flat-rate of 20% of direct eligible costs
 - actual indirect costs (NEW!)



Eligibility of costs

- **Eligible criteria**
 - e.g. Actually incurred by the participant for the sole purpose of the project, recorded, based on the usual management principles and accounting practices, etc.
- **Non-eligible costs**
 - e.g. VAT, exchange fees, debts, double-funding, etc...



Funding rates for beneficiaries

- **Research activities**
 - up to 75% of total eligible costs
- **Other activities -> management, training, communication, ...**
 - up to 100% of total eligible costs

***NEW!* No impact for beneficiaries changing their status**



- **Actual direct and indirect costs or average FTE**
- **Including contribution from EFPIA affiliated entities**

**For research costs incurred in Europe
unless expressly foreseen in the Call (NEW!)**



Improved application procedures

- **Simpler application procedures**
 - via the upgraded submission tool
- **Faster time to grant**
 - by streamlining procedures



- **(NEW!) No certificate for yearly periodic financial reports when:**
 - cost calculations based on a certified accounting methodologies within FP7
 - total participant's amount <€375.000
- **(NEW!) Yearly periodic reports either on July or December**



IP issues in IMI projects



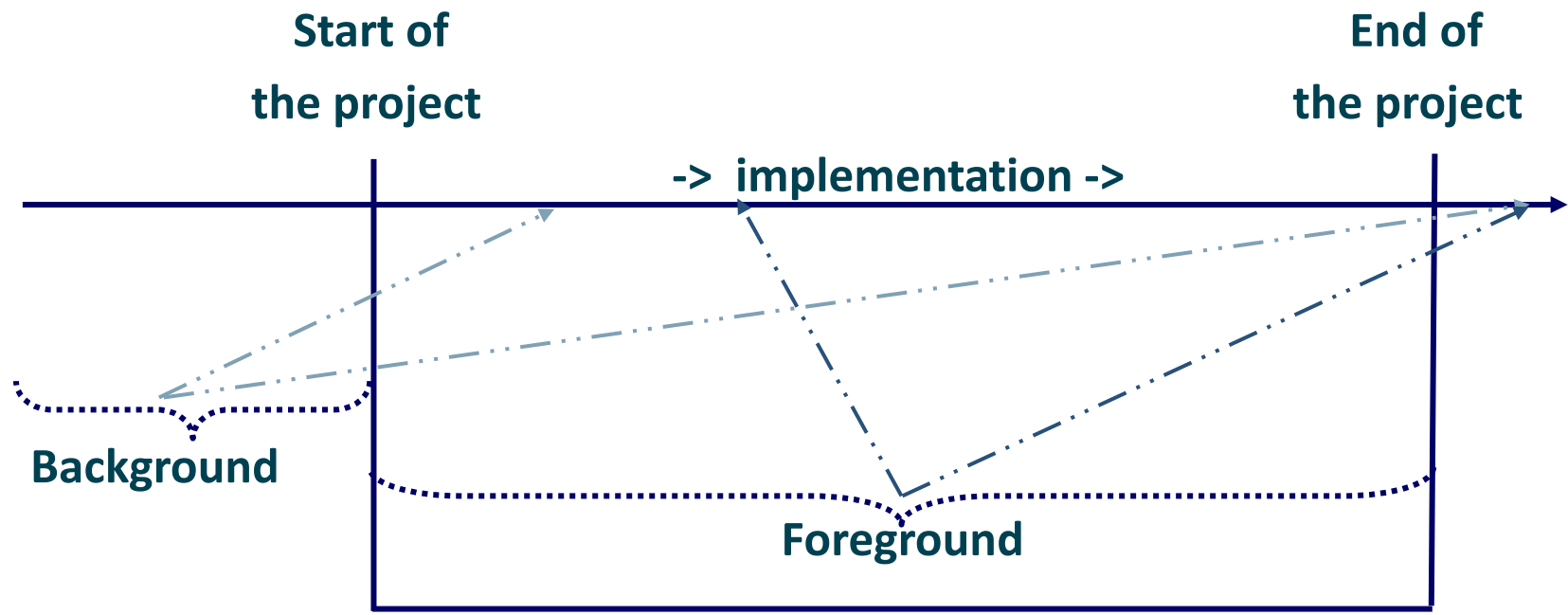
Guiding principles

Aligned with IMI objectives -> PPP, specific research needs and challenges:

- **To achieve a broad participation**
- **To promote knowledge creation, disclosure and exploitation**
- **To achieve fair allocation of rights and reward innovation**
- **To provide flexibility considering the project objectives**



Background vs. Foreground



// Sideground (outside – not needed) //

..... access rights



Ownership: basic principles

- **Background -> no impact**
- **Foreground -> owned by the generator(s)**
- **Possibility to freely license, assign or otherwise dispose of its ownership rights provided access rights to other partners are respected**
- **Possible transfer of ownership**



- **Protection not mandatory -> lies with the owner(s)**
- **What's new!**
 - Patent applications / publications: mention to IMI support & EFPIA in-kind contribution
 - Promotion of open access publication



Access Rights: basic principles

- **Non-exclusive basis approach**
- **Guiding framework:**
 - Recipients
 - Conditions
 - Purposes : Research Use vs. Exploitation
- **Not affected by the termination of participation**



More information



Useful documents

- **IMI model Grant Agreement**
 - Last revised on 11 November 2011
- **IMI Financial Guidelines**
 - Specific for IMI rules and projects
 - Available since January 2012
- **IP Guidance Note**
 - November 2010

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Info material and publications

- **Flyer and leaflet on IMI**
- **Fact sheets on IMI activities & projects**
- **Info and Slide set on 5th Call**

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- **Info Booth**

during the lunch and coffee breaks



Thank You



