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Project Context

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Objectives

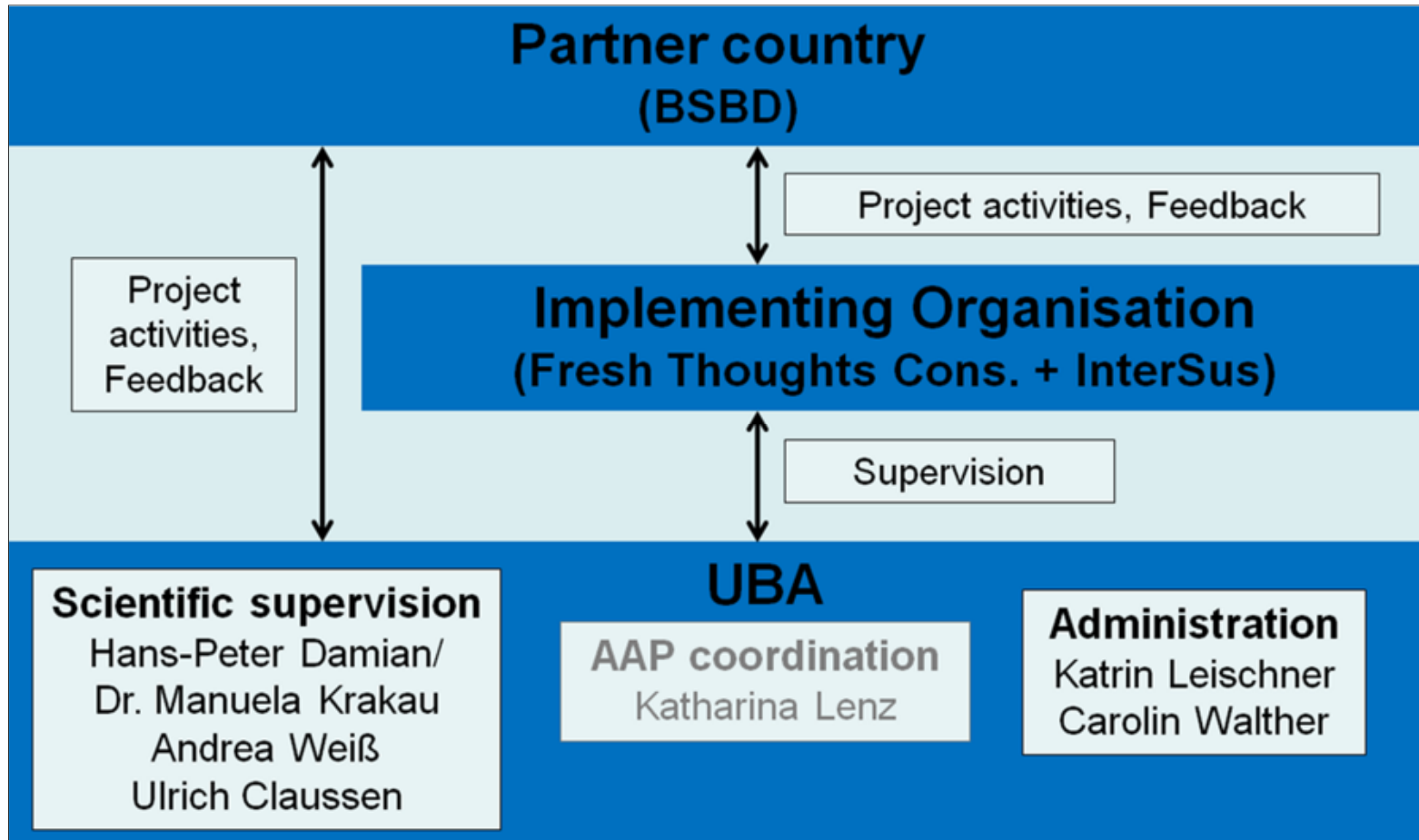
- **Facilitating the establishment of national programmes of measures in time for reporting to the EU Commission by end of March 2016.**
- **The contractor will provide advisory assistance to the BSBD on**
 - **developing concepts,**
 - **procedures and**
 - **methodologies,**
 - **including approaches to regional coordination,**
- ** based on German experiences with those actions as well as on EU requirements and guidance documents.**
- **Accompany and advise the Bulgarian persons responsible during the implementation of the programmes of measures until the beginning of 2017.**

Project Tasks

- **To develop a specific guidance document that will serve as a basis for the preparation of programmes of measures pursuant to Art. 13 MSFD in Bulgaria;**
- **To advise the Bulgarian administration on the implementation of programmes of measures through 2017;**
- **To organize various workshops and working groups;**
- **To facilitate capacity building in Bulgaria through the exchange of knowledge between experts from Bulgaria and Germany, as well as Romania.**

Division of Tasks

Project-specific division of tasks



Main outcomes of the Task

- **Support to measure section and analysis**
- **Concept note for a CBA methodology**
- **Measure fact sheets at national level**
- **Develop a concept note on how to assess how measures will contribute to targets**
- **Support the drafting of national PoM by providing technical expertise and strategic direction**
- **Draft concept note on how to apply and justify exceptions**
- **Provide guidance on producing a SEA**
- **Draft concept note on public consultation**
- **Strategic support during consultation**
- **Helpdesk for Reporting**
- **Helpdesk for operationalizing measures**

Final Product

- **Guidance document is expected to serve as**
 - **practical basis for the establishment of programmes of measures under Art. 13 MSFD in Bulgaria and the coordination of the national process**
 - **background document in support of EU reporting**
 - **a means for bilateral coordination and a common understanding with Romania at the conceptual level**
 - **a model of good practice and input to the Bucharest Convention to foster regional cooperation and coordination.**
 - **At the end of the project, a final report will gather all information and describe the process of development and implementation of the national programme of measures under Art. 13 MSFD in Bulgaria.**

Project Timeline - DRAFT

Deadline	Leistung
January 2015	Project start
30 January 2015	Kick-off meeting in Germany
Spring 2015	Starting workshp in Bulgaria/Varna
15 July 2015	Draft of the guidance document
31 December 2015	Final guidance document
15 January 2016	Interim report
Until 28 February 2016	Project group meeting in Bulgaria/Varna
Autumn 2016	Evaluation workshop in Bulgaria/Varna
31 December 2016	Updated guidance document
31 December 2016	Final report
15 Januar 2017	Projektabschlussstreffen im UBA in Dessau-Roßlau
28 Februar 2017	Project end

Overlaps with Phase II project

- **Both Projects have lots of overlaps, with the biggest difference in the timing + focus of the project (ARCADIS: coordinated measures RO + BG; GE UBA: national measures BG)**
- **The first step is to identify existing measures related to the defined GES and Targets (in overview table). The UBA project will help BG to collect the relevant information. ARCADIS focuses mainly on potential coordinated measures for BG + RO**
- **Need to develop a common methodology for CBA and the measure fact sheet structure between the two projects**
- **FT is currently producing a roadmap which will try to bring both projects together. Arcadis will comment on the Roadmap FT produces and see what can also go into it for transboundary issues**

Thank you very much for your attention!

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