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<p><b>1. The investment project is compatible with the Global Gateway scope and its principles and values</b> (including ESG related principles: 'green and clean', 'good governance and transparency')</p>	<p>Global Gateway scope: climate and energy, transport, digital, health, education and research. The check of the compatibility with principles and values will be a preliminary one based on the description of the project. If selected, further due diligence of the project will be requested if needed.</p>	<p><b>6. There is a partner country buy-in.</b></p>	<p>To be documented to the extent possible (MoUs, letters of intention, etc.).</p>
<p><b>2. The project sponsor is headquartered in the EU.</b></p>	<p>If the project sponsor is controlled by a company not headquartered in the EU, the project would be eligible if it clearly serves EU interests through the EU company. In the case of a consortium, all partners should be EU companies. Exceptionally, on a case-by-case basis, a consortium including a non-EU company could be eligible.</p>	<p><b>7. Minimum project investment size for individual projects: EUR 10 million. No minimum size for projects contributing to a Global Gateway flagship.</b></p>	<p>"Investment size" is the overall financial cost of the project.</p>
<p><b>3. One or more entities of the Team National commit to provide some form of financial or non-financial support.</b></p>	<p>At pre-screening stage, the commitment can be preliminary or conditional.</p>	<p><b>8. Minimum project sponsor own contribution: 10% of the project investment size.</b></p>	<p>The contribution can be financial or in-kind (financial value to be provided). In the case of a consortium, the 10% minimum own contribution is the aggregate own contributions by the partners of the consortium. Where EU financial support is requested not for the EU project sponsor itself but for a partner in the partner country, the 10% minimum own contribution requirement does not apply if that partner is a public authority, while it does apply if the partner is a private entity.</p>
<p><b>4. The targeted country/region is an eligible INTPA partner country/region (SSA, APAC, LAC).</b></p>	<p>A cross-regional project involving ENEST or MENA regions would also be eligible if its main impact is expected in INTPA regions.</p>	<p><b>9. The acquisition of assets in partner countries is only eligible if the project is part of an industrial strategy where the EU interest would be preserved in the long term</b></p>	<p>In the absence of such a strategy, there would be a risk of the asset being transferred to a non-EU entity.</p>
<p><b>5. Aligned with the targeted partner country/region interests.</b></p>	<p>Alignment to be established indicating the specific partner country/region policies, programmes or strategies to which the project contributes.</p>		