



The European Structural and Investment Funds *Investing in Jobs and Growth*

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**EUR 630 billion of investment
including national co-financing**

**500+ programmes
(national/regional + INTERREG)**

European Regional
Development Fund

€197 billion

European Social Fund

€86 billion

Cohesion Fund

€63 billion

European Agricultural
Fund for Rural
Development

€99 billion

European Maritime &
Fisheries Fund

€5.7 billion

Youth Employment
Initiative

€3.2 billion

Programming 2014-2020

Informal
dialogue with
Member States
since 2012

Regulations
IA/DA

Partnership
Agreements

Programmes

**COM services
position papers to all
Member States –
autumn 2012**

**Adopted December 2013
Followed by DAs and IAs**

**All 28 Partnership
Agreements (PAs)
adopted since
November 2014**

**All 530+ ESIF
programmes
adopted by
December 2015**

New generation of programmes – not just money!

- **Country Specific Recommendations (CSRs)**
- **"Ex-ante conditionalities"** (sector strategies, EU law implementation, administrative capacity)
- **Clear link to economic governance** (European Semester)
- **Focus on results and performance**
- **Wider use of financial instruments**
- **Thematic concentration**
- **Streamlined reporting and rolling accounts**
- **Simplification**

Commission communication: Investing in jobs and growth – maximising the contribution of European Structural and Investment Funds

Adopted in December 2015

A few examples of expected achievements...

R&I, ICT and SME development (EUR 121 billion):

- 2 million firms to be supported
- 14.6 million additional households will have access to high-speed broadband
- 18.8 million people in rural areas will have new or improved ICT services

Environment, climate change, energy and transport (EUR 193 billion):

- 16.9 million people to benefit from improved wastewater treatment, 12.4 million from improved water supply
- 13.3 million people protected from floods, 11.8 million from forest fires
- 17.4 % of agricultural land and 3.5 % of forests will be targeted at better protection of biodiversity

Employment, social inclusion and education (EUR 120 billion):

- Improved job finding chances of 10 million unemployed people
- 41.7 million people will benefit from improved health services, including investment in eHealth
- 10 200 new jobs will be created in the fisheries and aquaculture sector

Institutional capacity and efficient public administration (EUR 4.2 billion):

- Improved quality of policy making
- Improved administrative service delivery
- Increased transparency of public administration and stronger stakeholder involvement

CONCLUSIONS

- A long road to adoption – but not as long as last time
- New co-ordination challenges within the Commission – and also within the Member States
- Lessons to be learned for next time
- More critical than ever to ensure rapid, impressive results in the programmes

CONCLUSIONS

- Focus on delivering the programmes
- Designation of authorities
- Simplify delivery systems, avoid gold-plating
- Fulfilment of ex-ante conditionalities latest by the end of 2016
- Funds support delivery of CSRs



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Focus on results: new open data platform

The screenshot shows the homepage of the 'European Structural and Investment Funds - explore our data' platform. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the European Commission logo and the text 'EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL AND INVESTMENT FUNDS DATA'. Below this, a secondary navigation bar offers options: 'HOME', 'ABOUT', 'EXPLORE EU DATA', 'EXPLORE BY THEME', 'EXPLORE BY COUNTRY', and 'EXPLORE BY FUND'. The main heading reads 'European Structural Investment Funds - explore our data'. Below the heading are four filter buttons: 'EU LEVEL' (blue), 'THEME' (red), 'COUNTRY' (green), and 'FUND' (grey). The page is divided into three columns: 'ABOUT THIS TOOL' (describing access to financing information), 'HOW TO USE THIS TOOL' (explaining navigation options), and 'HELPFUL LINKS' (listing various ESIF funds). A large banner image shows a harbor scene with the text 'The European Structural Investment Fund budget 2014-2020 is ... EUR 454 Billion' and a button for 'EU finances Overview'. The footer includes a 'Catalogue' section, 'Contact Us' information, and a 'Follow Us' section with social media links.

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