Partnership Agreement 2014-2020: Key facts & figures

Belgium

- **European Structural & Investment Funds (ESIF) EU 2014-2020**
  - EUR 453 billion
  - 0.6%

- **Partnership Agreement (PA) for Belgium**
  - EUR 2.6 billion
  - 21%

- **EAFRD**
  - 2 regional Rural Development Programmes
  - EUR 0.6 billion

- **ESIF contributions**
  - EUR 0.6 billion
  - 1.0 billion
  - 0.95 billion
  - 0.04 billion

- **Thematic objectives supported in Belgium and ESIF contributions**

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<th>Thematic Objectives (T.O.)</th>
<th>ESI Funds distribution (%) per Thematic Objective</th>
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<td>1. Research and Innovation</td>
<td>94% 6%</td>
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<td>2. Information and Comm. Technologies</td>
<td>54% 44% 9% 3%</td>
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<td>3. Competitiveness of SMEs</td>
<td>74% 26% 0.3%</td>
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<td>4. Low-carbon economy</td>
<td>6% 94% 0%</td>
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<td>5. Combating climate change</td>
<td>58% 32% 9%</td>
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<td>6. Environment and resource efficiency</td>
<td>58% 32% 9%</td>
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<td>7. Sustainable transport</td>
<td>97% 3% 0.1%</td>
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<td>8. Employment and mobility</td>
<td>5% 84% 12%</td>
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<td>9. Social inclusion</td>
<td>9% 87% 4%</td>
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<td>10. Better education, training</td>
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<td>11. Better public administration</td>
<td>6% 94% 26%</td>
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September 2015
EAFRD allocation per Thematic Objective & expected results

**Thematic Objectives**

1. Research & Innovation (3%)
2. Information & Comm. Technologies
3. Competiveness of SMEs (36%)
4. Low-carbon economy (13%)
5. Combating climate change (17%)
6. Environment & resource efficiency (17%)
7. Sustainable transport
8. Employment & Mobility (2%)
9. Social inclusion (9%)
10. Better education & training (3%)

Technical Assistance (1%)

**Examples of expected EAFRD results per Thematic Objective**

**Thematic Objective – 3 (Flanders)**
Facilitate the succession in the agricultural sector and encourage new start-ups. Through acquisition support young farmers will be supported in the start up phase.

**Thematic Objective – 5 (Wallonia)**
Reduction of energy consumption by the agricultural holdings.

**Thematic Objective – 6 (Wallonia)**
Improve the quality of water by reducing inputs of organic nitrogen, phosphorus and plant protection products.

**Thematic Objective – 9 (Flanders)**
Respond to the identified need in Flanders for a strong social fabric in rural areas, with a focus on residents and recreationists, for transients and stayers - in all shapes and sizes and at all levels of the social ladder.

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**Integrated approaches to territorial development in rural areas**

**Community Led Local Development (CLLD) / LEADER**

CLLD/LEADER funding for Belgium: 5% of total EAFRD budget in Wallonia for the LEADER approach. In Flanders CLLD only apply within the EAFRD.

Multi-funded Local Development Strategies: Not envisaged.

Rural areas population limits derogations: In Flanders a derogation is proposed as to increase the maximum limit to 240,000 inhabitants.

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**Responsible body:** Belgian federal authorities which are individually responsible.  
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