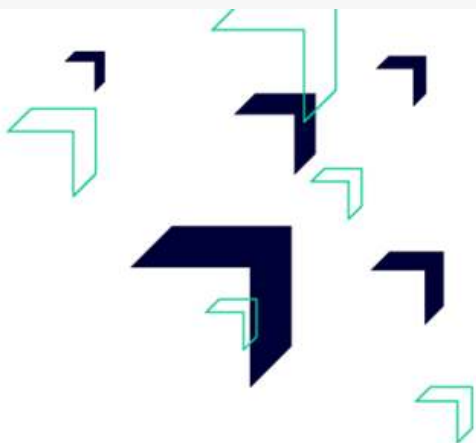




Programming period 2021-2027

Social Partners

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Purpose



- Provide an overview of the EU Funds allocations
- Discuss the enhanced role of Social Partners under 2021-2027 programming period throughout the programmes' lifecycle
- Provide an overview of the areas and related allocations under each Fund
- Social Partners and ESF+
- Indirect opportunities for Social Partners

Overview of Programmes

European Funds 2021-2027

ERDF €766 million

ESF+ €205 million

AMIF €52 million

CF €194 million

CAP SP €166 million

BMVI €48 million

JTF €33 million

EMFAF €31 million

ISF €27 million

2021-2027 Programming period - Enhanced role of Social Partners



- ❖ The strengthened partnership approach is one of the important innovations the EU has introduced
- ❖ Bottom-up involvement of social partners and civil society during the programmes' life-cycle to ensure that funds are spent where they are most needed, and in the best way possible.

Programming period 2021-2027 – Social Partners' Role



Programme Lifecycle

Social Partners' Role

Programming Stage

Consultative role under All Funds

Monitoring and Implementation Stage

Member of the Monitoring Committee under ESF+; ERDF/CF/JTF; EMFAF; EAGF/EARDF

Direct Involvement

Projects' Beneficiary - apply and implement projects

Indirect Involvement

Policy Feedback

ERDF/CF/JTF Programme - Allocations



Priority	Budget
Priority 1 - A more competitive and smarter Europe by promoting innovative and smart economic transformation and regional ICT connectivity (ERDF)	€184.1mn
Priority 2 - Promoting clean and fair energy transition, sustainable wastewater management and green investment (ERDF)	€299.3mn
Priority 3 - A more social and inclusive Europe implementing the European Pillar of Social Rights (ERDF)	€184.3mn
Priority 4 - A Europe closer to citizens by fostering the sustainable and integrated development of all type of territories and local initiatives (ERDF)	€58mn
Priority 5 - Promoting sustainable water management and a circular and resource efficient economy (CF)	€107mn
Priority 6 – Sustainable urban mobility (CF)	€42.2mn
Priority 7 - A more connected Europe by enhancing mobility (CF)	€45mn
Priority 8 – Just Transition (JTF)	€33.2mn
Priority 9 – Technical Assistance	€41mn

ESF+ Programme - Allocations



Priority	Budget
Priority 1 - Enhancing employability and labour market resilience	€40.5mn
Priority 2 – Fostering active inclusion for all	€54.1mn
Priority 3 – Quality and inclusive education and enhanced lifelong learning for growth	€88.8mn
Priority 4 – Addressing material deprivation (FEAD)	€5mn
Priority 5 – Enhancing social innovation	€4mn
Priority 6 – Technical Assistance	€12.4mn

ESF+ Programme – Interventions Pertaining to Social Partners



- Under the ESF+, all Member States have been required to support capacity building of social partners and civil society organisations, by allocating an appropriate amount of their ESF+ resources to this issue.
- Priority 2 *Fostering Active Inclusion for All* of the ESF+ Programme, particularly Specific Objective (k), denotes the importance of supporting social partners, civil society, voluntary organisations, workers' and employers' organisations and other NGOs.
- The aim is to strengthen their contribution towards the formulation of national social, education and employment policies, whilst also creating awareness on policies and services available in these sectors.
- This support will take the form of training, networking measure and activities jointly undertaken by social partners, amongst others. Such activities have an allocated total budget of approximately **€4 million**.

AMIF Programme - Allocations

Specific Objective	Budget
Specific Objective 1 – Asylum	€29.8mn
Specific Objective 2 – Legal Migration and Integration	€15mn
Specific Objective 3 – Countering Irregular Migration	€4.7mn
Specific Objective 4 - Enhancing Solidarity	€0.2mn
Technical Assistance	€2.4mn

BMVI Programme - Allocations

Specific Objective	Budget
Specific Objective 1 – Border Management	€39.5mn
Specific Objective 2 – VISA	€6.2mn
Technical Assistance	€2.1mn

ISF Programme - Allocations

Specific Objective	Budget
Specific Objective 1 – Exchange of Information	€19mn
Specific Objective 2 – Cross-Border Cooperation	€2.6mn
Specific Objective 3 – Prevention and Combatting Crime	€4mn
Technical Assistance	€1.2mn

EMFAF Programme - Allocations

Priority	Budget
Priority 1 – Fostering sustainable fisheries and the restoration and conservation of aquatic biological resources	€24.8mn
Priority 2 – Fostering sustainable aquaculture activities, and processing and marketing of fisheries and aquaculture products	€4.6mn
Technical Assistance	€1.8 mn

CAP Strategic Plan - Allocations



Areas of Support	Budget
Pillar 1: European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) - Supporting direct payments to farmers and small farmers; Complementary support for Young Farmers; Eco-schemes; and Coupled income support for the beef, sheep, diary and tomatoes sectors	€43.1mn
Apiculture Sector: Interventions supporting apiculture including training, investments to combat diseases (i.e varroasis) and restocking of beehives amongst others	€0.1mn
Pillar 2: European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) - Support for rural development interventions including environment and climate supporting organic and animal welfare; Off-farm and on-farm productive and non-productive investments; Setting up of young farmers; Cooperation supporting LEADER and quality schemes and knowledge and exchange, amongst others	€117.2mn
Technical Assistance	€5.2mn

Social Partners – Indirect involvement

MCESD indirect involvement is **crucial** to ensure the utmost benefits from EU funded investments as most of the EU funded projects may have a significant impact on the economic and social partners, and bodies representing civil society.

MCESD 's indirect involvement will ensure:

- ❖ Adequate preparation of the ground for the EU funded investments through the identification of areas in need and suitable actions.
- ❖ Increase awareness on the EU funded opportunities
- ❖ Tackle in due time EU funded investments' spill-overs on the sector

Indirect involvement

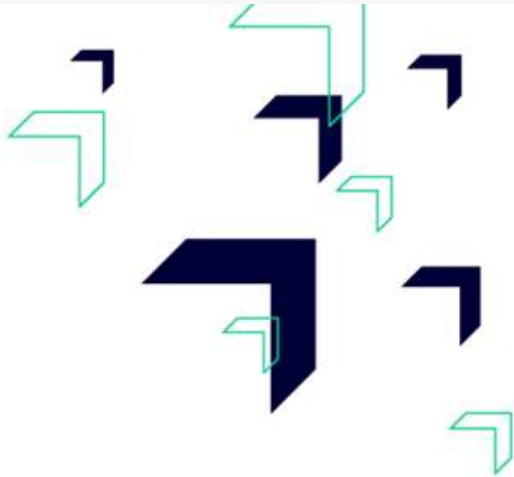
- ❖ In projects formulation and design through a variety of processes (e.g. formal or informal consultation with Line Ministries, hearings, expression of views); and/or
- ❖ During projects' implementation (e.g. via formal or informal consultation, hearings, expression of views with the Beneficiaries)
- ❖ Being partner in projects of significant interest
- ❖ As Social Partners, identify gaps that should be addressed through planned and future programmes

Way forward



- ❖ To strengthen its capacity by benefitting from the funds .
- ❖ To engage with Beneficiaries/applicants on key projects at both design and implementation stage to ensure that the necessary actions for the effective and efficient use funds are implemented

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