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EU funding programmes supporting health

- EU4Health
- **Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF)**
- rescEU
- Horizon Europe
- Digital Europe
- REACT-EU
- **Cohesion Policy: ERDF, ESF+**
- **InvestEU (Finance + Advisory Services)**



Recovery and Resilient Facility (RRF)



RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FACILITY

Financial support to public investments and reforms



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Each Recovery and Resilience Plan (RRP) has to include:





RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FACILITY

How will Member States access **€723.8 billion** in EU recovery funding?

Commission raises necessary funds on markets by issuing bonds





RRF: State of Play

- 26 RRPs formally submitted (Netherlands not submitted yet)
- Commission has endorsed 22 RRPs (Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria and Sweden pending)
- Council Implementing Decisions of 19 RRPs approved by the ECOFIN Council.
- 17 Member States already received their RRF pre-financing disbursements (13%)
- around EUR 12 bn for digital health investments and EUR 168 mil for digital health reforms under RRF.



RRF: links to digital health

- Health resilience is among the 6 main pillars of the RRF.
- Recovery and Resilience Plans (RRP) should allocate at least **20% of their budget to the digital transition:** potential linkages to eHealth.
- RRPs should address the EU semester's country-specific recommendations (CSRs). In 2019, 16 Member States received CSRs addressing health system reform. In 2020, for the first time, all 27 Member States received a CSR on health, focusing on resilience



RRF: links to digital health

Areas of the investments *inter alia*:

- secondary use of health data
- investments in eHDSI services and investments in national infrastructure that would enable the current and future cross border services in eHDSI
- tele-health solutions
- development of national digital health strategies
- digital skills



Some examples of reforms related to digital health

Denmark - during the COVID-19 pandemic new digital solutions have been used to make citizens and the healthcare system more connected. The Ministry of Health shall develop and increase the use of these new digital solutions such as (1) **widespread use of digital solutions**, (2) **video consultations**, (3) **patient involvements and widespread use of telemedicine**.

Greece - The investment shall optimise healthcare quality and patient safety with new innovative services, while at the same time help control healthcare spending by discouraging the overuse of products, pharmaceuticals, improve hospital management, patient experience, public procurement procedures and enhance system functionalities, interoperability and EOPYY's (National Organisation for the Provision of Healthcare Services) digital capacities. The investment covers the implementation of five subprojects: **the full setup and operationalisation of the national digital health record, the full rollout of the cancer treatment digital transformation program, the capacity expansion of the National Telemedicine Network (EDIT), the improvement of hospital digital readiness and the digital transformation of EOPYY.**



The European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)



The European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) aims to strengthen economic, social and territorial cohesion in the European Union **by correcting imbalances between its regions.**

In 2021-2027 it will enable investments in a smarter, greener, more connected and more social Europe that is closer to its citizens.



For 2014-2020, the ERDF had an overall budget of almost EUR 223,4 billion to support economic growth, create additional jobs and reduce regional disparities, **EUR 10,3 b on health investments.**

€ 9.05 billion health infrastructure

€ 1 billion on ICT solutions addressing the healthy active ageing challenge and e-health services and applications (including e-Care and ambient assisted living)

€ 261 million on access to affordable, sustainable and high-quality services, including health care and social services of general interest

€ 18 million active and healthy ageing



The overall budget under ERDF in 2021-2027 – **226 billion Euro.**

Regarding the 2021-2027 period, the negotiation process with the Member States is ongoing.



InvestEU

8 November 2021 (digital) Brussels, Belgium

20th eHN Meeting

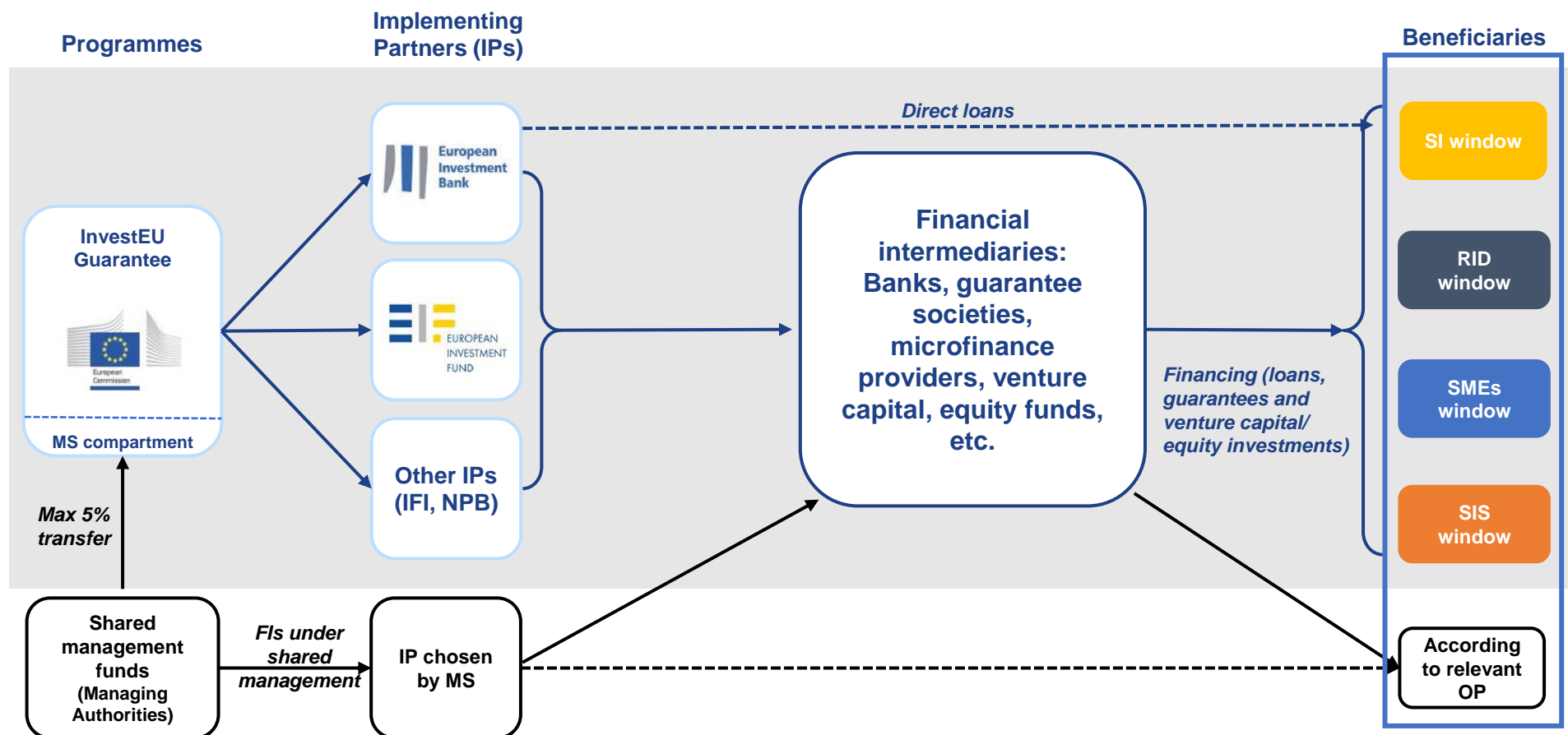


The InvestEU Programme is uniquely suited to provide long-term funding to companies and to support Union policies in a recovery from a deep economic and social crisis.

The InvestEU Fund is expected to mobilise at least €372 billion of public and private investment **through an EU budget guarantee** of €26.2 billion in support of investment by implementing partners such as the European Investment Bank Group and other financial institutions.

It is not operational yet.

InvestEU



InvestEU - *budget allocation*



THE INVESTEU FUND

Mobilising public and private investment using guarantees from the EU budget.



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Providing technical advice to investment projects seeking financing.



THE INVESTEU PORTAL

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Window	Budgetary guarantee
Sustainable infrastructure	9 900
Research, Innovation and Digitisation	6 600
SMEs	6 900
Social investment and skills	2 800
TOTAL <i>(EUR Million, in current prices)</i>	26 200

- EU guarantee expected to mobilise at least € 372 bn of investments
- Project promoters apply directly to Implementing Partners



Opportunities for investments in digital health

- **SISW:** Innovative health solutions, including **e-health**, health services and new care models
- **RIDW:** Development of **digital connectivity infrastructure**, in particular through projects supporting deployment of very high capacity digital networks, 5G connectivity and improving digital connectivity and access, particularly to rural areas and peripheral regions
- **RIDW:** Development, deployment and **scaling-up of digital technologies and services**, notably contributing to the objectives of the Digital Europe Programme in particular through:
 - artificial intelligence;
 - cybersecurity and network protection infrastructures;
 - internet of things;
 - blockchain and other distributed ledger technologies;
 - advanced digital skills;
 - robotics and automatisisation; photonics; quantum technology;
 - other advanced digital technologies and services contributing to the digitisation of the



Thank you!