

EU wide exchange and learning platforms under the ESF 2007 - 2013

Our experience

- Support of communication and learning platforms for mainstreaming the lessons learnt from EQUAL.
- Call for proposals from EQUAL MA
- 21 platforms for exchange events, policy fora, networks and CoPs:
 - >address validation, exchange and dissemination of good practice and
 - ➤its integration into policy a broad range of thematic and governance issues.

Support for 12-18 months; the average subsidy is € 250.000, maximum ESF contribution is 90% of eligible costs.

This experience will serve as pilots for thematic exchange and cooperation in the period 2007-2013



Our plan

Call for proposals for EU wide learning and capitalisation platforms
main features of support similar to the calls made under EQUAL
adaptation to reflect the priorities and modalities of transnational cooperation
under the ESF 2007-2013, and

to complement the networks supported under the

Region's for Economic Change Initiative.



Key Elements

Supported activities:

- sharing knowledge, tools and practices
- validating and assessing tools and achievements
- developing, testing and disseminating common tools,
- organising mutual learning by programme managers and practitioners
- transferring good practice, and the lessons learnt.

Themes:

- policy fields supported under the ESF
- programme governance issues



Key Elements

Lead partners: ESF Managing Authorities; but partners could also be intermediate bodies.

Partners linked to ERDF would be welcome.

Strong recommendation to include partners from EU-12.

Partners prove the relevance of the joint platform activities for their operational programmes, both in terms of input (capability to provide evidence of good practice) and output.

Duration up to 36 months.

Maximum ESF contribution € 500,000.