EU support to the most deprived—recent developments

EU Platform on food losses and food waste, 15 June 2020
FEAD: Facts and figures

Budget: 3.8 billion EUR (current prices) from cohesion allocation, 2014-2020. Fund in Shared management

**General objectives:** promote social cohesion and enhance social inclusion and contribute to achieving the EU2020 poverty reduction target

- -> contribute to poverty reduction

- **Specific objective:** contribute to alleviating the worst forms of poverty by providing non-financial assistance to the most deprived persons

**Stakeholder exchanges:** 18 FEAD network meetings from 2016 until 2019. FEAD Community: Mutual learning on implementation challenges and next MFF
FEAD: Scope of support

2 types of Operational Programmes

a) Food and/or Basic Material Assistance (OP I)- 23 Member States

- Purchase and distribution of food, incl. food donations - annual reach 12.5 million people
- Purchase and distribution of basic material assistance (clothes, sleeping bags, school supplies, etc.) 1 million people
- Accompanying measures

b) Social Inclusion of the Most Deprived (OP II)- DE, NL, DK, SE

- Non-material social inclusion activities outside active Labour market
- Reaches about 35,000 people (dedicated target groups)
Objectives of the FEAD covid-19 amendment

- In force since 25 April


- Ensure the most deprived continue to receive FEAD assistance in a safe environment.

- Enable Managing Authorities, partner organisations and other actors to react quickly to the emerging additional needs of the target groups

- The most deprived are disproportionally hit by this crisis.
MFF Proposal

27 May 2020

The EU budget powering the recovery plan for Europe
Repair and prepare for the Next Generation

• On 27th May, the Commission proposed a stronger EU budget to address the immediate economic and social damage brought by the coronavirus pandemic; kick start a sustainable recovery and protect and create jobs.

• An emergency **Next Generation EU** Recovery instrument of €750 billion to temporarily boost the financial firepower of the EU budget with funds raised on the financial markets.

• A reinforced **multiannual financial framework for 2021-2027 (€ 1,1 trillion)** to channel investment quickly to where needed most, reinforce single market, step up cooperation in areas such as health and crisis management, and equip the Union with a long-term budget to drive the green and digital transitions and build a fairer and more resilient economy.
Commission proposal for the revised MFF 2014-2020 & 2021-2027 + sectoral legislation

- May 2020
  - European Council: Political agreement on MFF 2014-2020 & 2021-2027

- By July 2020
  - Adoption of the revised MFF 2014-2020 + corresponding sectoral legislation

- Early autumn 2020
  - European Council

- October 2020
  - Adoption of the revised MFF 2021-2027 (European Parliament’s consent)

- December 2020
  - MFF 2021-2027 implementation starts

- January 2021
Adding more than EUR 58 billion for the years 2020-2022 will provide vital, rapid and additional support.

Amounts can be used by MS for ESF, ERDF and FEAD programmes (existing or new programmes).

Amounts will be distributed between EU countries according to their level of prosperity and the socio-economic effects of the crisis;
Amendments to the FEAD Regulation

EU Member States can give additional support to the most deprived who have been hit disproportionately.

The additional resources under the REACT-EU initiative may be used for FEAD programmes (for 2020 to 2022) (voluntary decision by MS)

Commission proposal on the ESF+

European Social Fund
(shared management)

Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived
(shared management)

Youth Employment Initiative
(shared management)

European Programme for Employment
and Social Innovation
(direct management)

EU4Health Programme
EMPLOYMENT
• (i) Access to employment of all jobseekers
• (ii) Modernising labour market institutions and services
• (iii) Women’s labour market participation, work/life balance, well-adapted working environment, adaptation of workers & enterprises, active & healthy ageing

EDUCATION TRAINING
• (iv) Improving the quality, effectiveness and labour market relevance of education and training systems
• (v) Promoting equal access to and completion of, quality and inclusive education
• (vi) Lifelong learning, upskilling, anticipating change and new skills requirements

SOCIAL INCLUSION
• (vii) Active inclusion
• (viii) Socio-integration of migrants and marginalised communities e.g. Roma
• (ix) Equal and timely access to services; social protection healthcare systems and long term care
• (x) Social integration of people at risk of poverty;
• (xi) Addressing material deprivation including accompanying measures

Gender equality, equal opportunity & non-discrimination
Also contributes to other policy objectives, in particular, to PO 1 a Smarter Europe; PO 2 A Greener, low-carbon Europe
Thank you!

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