

EUROPEAN COMMISSION, STRUCTURAL REFORM SUPPORT SERVICE

Q2 2017



THE STRUCTURAL REFORM SUPPORT SERVICE, SRSS, IS A SERVICE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION WITH A MANDATE TO:

- SUPPORT MEMBER STATES WITH THE PREPARATION, DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF GROWTH-ENHANCING REFORMS;
- FOCUS ON TAILOR-MADE SUPPORT, ON THE GROUND; AND
- STEER AND COORDINATE TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROVIDED BY THE COMMISSION

HOW IT WORKS

AT THE REQUEST OF A MEMBER STATE, THE SRSS:

- 1) ENGAGES IN A DIALOGUE TO DISCUSS TECHNICAL SUPPORT NEEDS;
- 2) AGREES ON A "COOPERATION AND SUPPORT PLAN" WITH THE MEMBER STATE; AND
- 3) PROVIDES FINANCING FOR THE TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND COORDINATES THE NECESSARY EXPERTISE.

THE SRSS COVERS THE ENTIRE TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROCESS FROM INCEPTION TO COMPLETION OF REFORMS AND ITS SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE TO ALL EU MEMBER STATES.

SRSS FACTS

- CREATED IN JULY 2015;
- OFFICES IN BRUSSELS, ATHENS AND NICOSIA;
- 140+ STAFF.

AREAS OF SUPPORT COVERAGE

MEMBER STATE REFORMS AT THEIR OWN INITIATIVE

- GROWTH-ENHANCING REFORMS TO ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT, GROWTH AND JOB CREATION

ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE PROCESSES

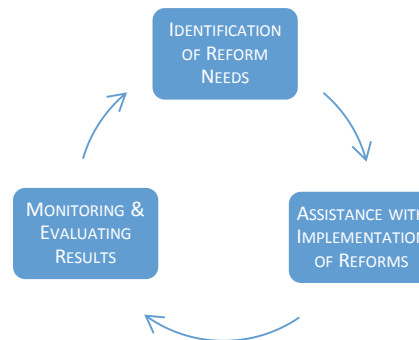
- EUROPEAN SEMESTER
- UNION LAW
- EU POLICY PRIORITIES
- BETTER USE OF EU FUNDS

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

- SUPPORT FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF MIGRATION IN GREECE
- SUPPORT FOR CYPRUS SETTLEMENT

REFORM PROCESS CYCLE

THE SRSS ENGAGES WITH MEMBER STATES THROUGHOUT THE VARIOUS STAGES OF THE REFORM PROCESS, ENSURING THAT SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE WHERE IT IS MOST NEEDED DURING THE ENTIRE PROCESS.



TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROVIDERS

THE SRSS WORKS WITH PROVIDERS TO GIVE TAILOR-MADE TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC NEEDS. THIS INCLUDES SUPPORT PROVIDED BY:

- EXPERTS FROM MEMBER STATES ADMINISTRATIONS;
- INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS;
- PRIVATE FIRMS, INCLUDING CONSULTANCY FIRMS; AND
- INDIVIDUAL EXPERTS.

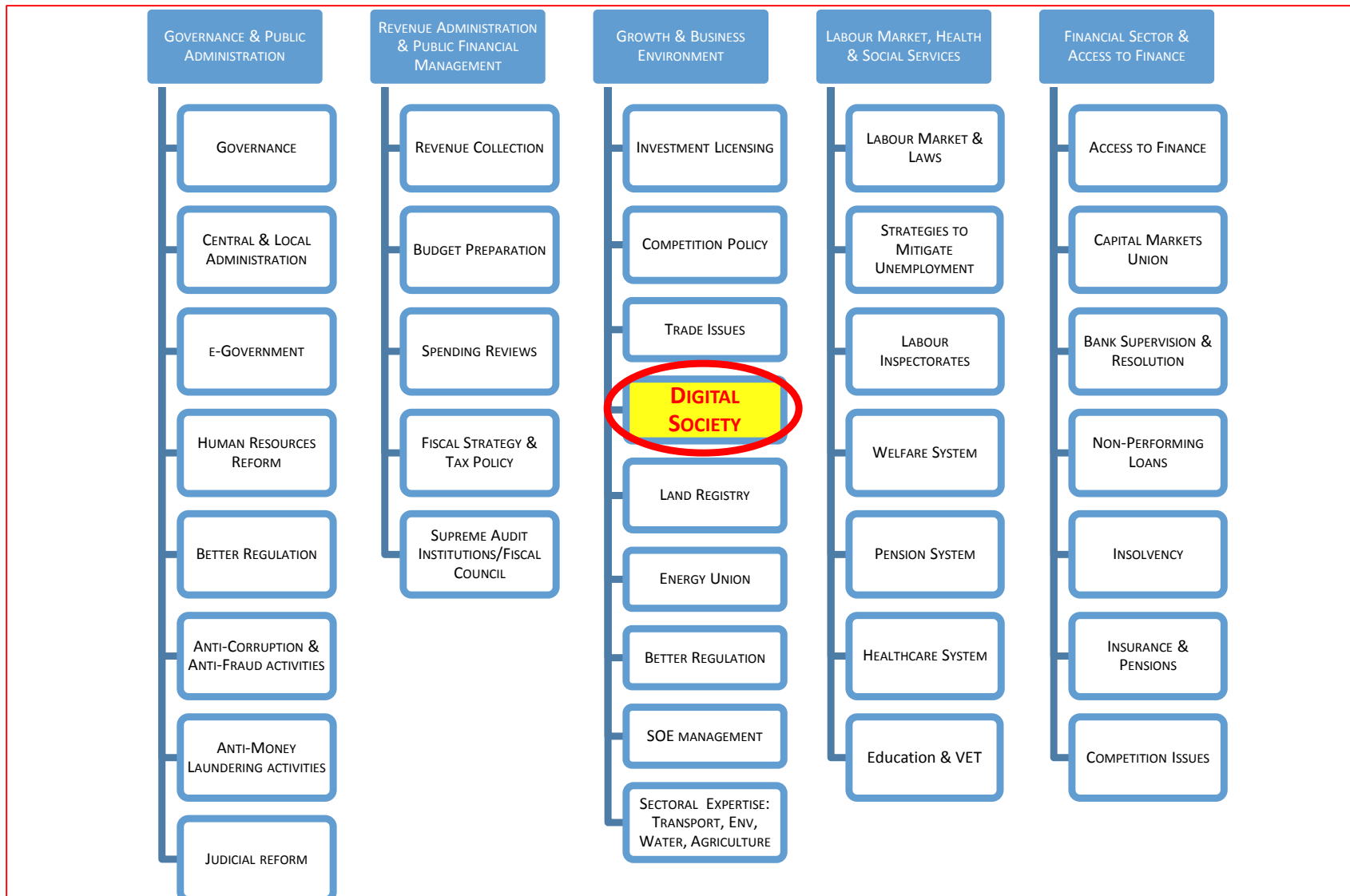
TOGETHER WITH IN-HOUSE COMMISSION EXPERTISE DELIVERED DIRECTLY, THESE PROVIDERS ENSURE THAT THE APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE IS DELIVERED WHERE IT IS NEEDED.

TYPES OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT



Policy Areas of SRSS Support

THE SRSS CAN ENGAGE IN ANY POLICY AREA IDENTIFIED BY A MEMBER STATE AS A REFORM PRIORITY. THIS INCLUDES:



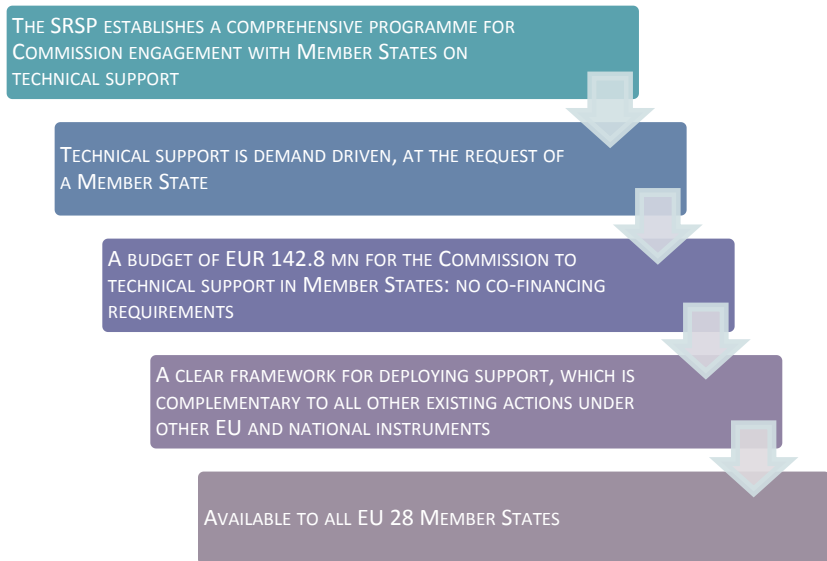
OBJECTIVE OF THE STRUCTURAL REFORM SUPPORT PROGRAMME

IN FEBRUARY 2017, THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND COUNCIL OF MINISTERS REACHED POLITICAL AGREEMENT ON A STRUCTURAL REFORM SUPPORT PROGRAMME (SRSP). THE OBJECTIVE OF THE SRSP IS TO STRENGTHEN THE CAPACITY OF MEMBER STATES TO PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT GROWTH-ENHANCING REFORMS, INCLUDING THROUGH ASSISTANCE FOR THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE USE OF UNION FUNDS.

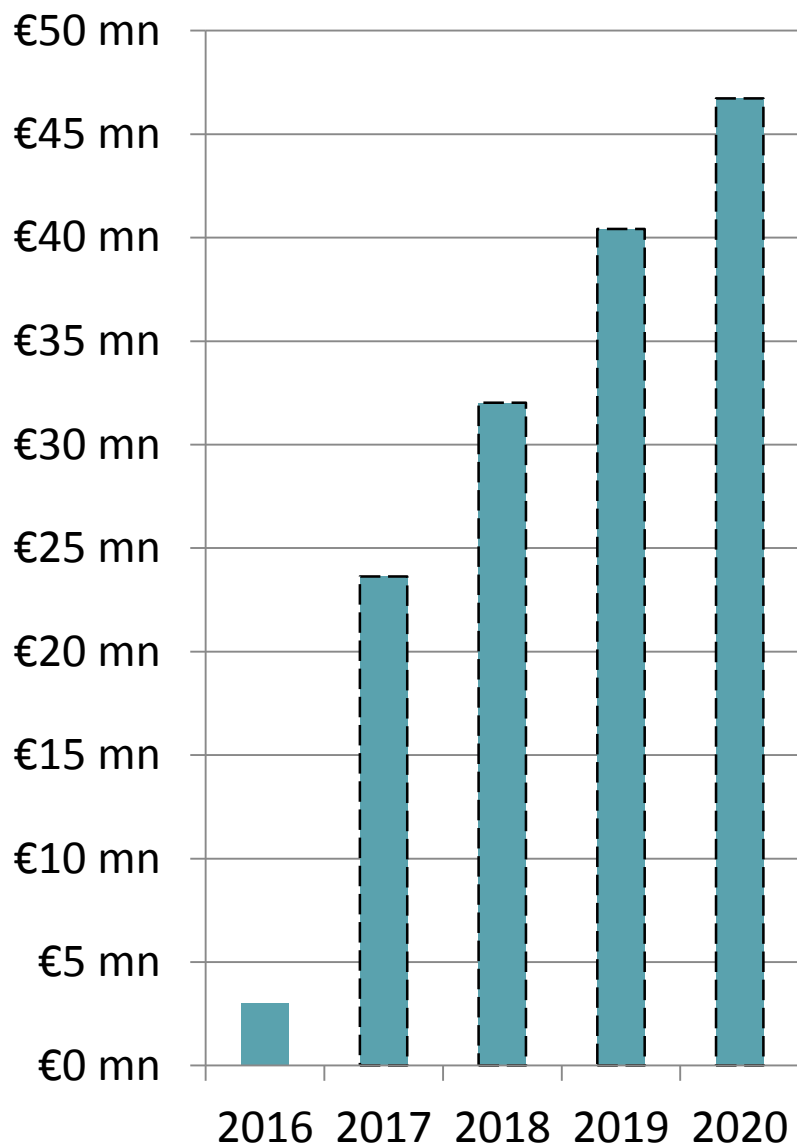
WITH A BUDGET OF EUR 142.8 MN (2017-2020), THE SRSP WILL BE A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR FOR FUTURE SRSS ENGAGEMENTS WITH MEMBER STATES.

A COOPERATION AND SUPPORT PLAN WILL BE AGREED FOR EACH MEMBER STATE REQUESTING SUPPORT, COVERING THE PRIORITY AREAS FOR SUPPORT, THE OBJECTIVES, AN INDICATIVE TIMELINE, THE SCOPE OF THE SUPPORT MEASURES TO BE PROVIDED AND THE ESTIMATED GLOBAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THAT MEMBER STATE.

KEY TAKEAWAYS



SRSP BUDGET



31st OCTOBER 2017

**Deadline for submitting
new requests for support**



Assessment of requests



Q1-Q2 2018

Begin implementation of new projects

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