

# **CONFERENCE** on the Evaluation of EU Cohesion Policy

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# Shaping Transitions with Evidence



# Evaluation of interventions for employment

Ministry of European Investments and Projects



# **FUND COVERED**

► ESF

#### **PROGRAMMING PERIOD**

**▶** 2014-2020

#### **PROGRAMME COVERED**

► The Human Capital Operational Programme 2014-2020

#### THEMATIC OBJECTIVE

► T08. Employment and labour market

# TYPE OF EVALUATION

► Impact



#### YEAR OF COMPLETION

**▶** 2020

# MAIN OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the evaluation was to facilitate adoption of evidence-based decisions. Main questions analysed the progress seen in the sector since the adoption of the programme, the contribution of the programme, positive or negative unintended effects and mechanisms, sustainability.

### **METHODOLOGY USED**

Theory based evaluation, counterfactual impact evaluation, case studies.

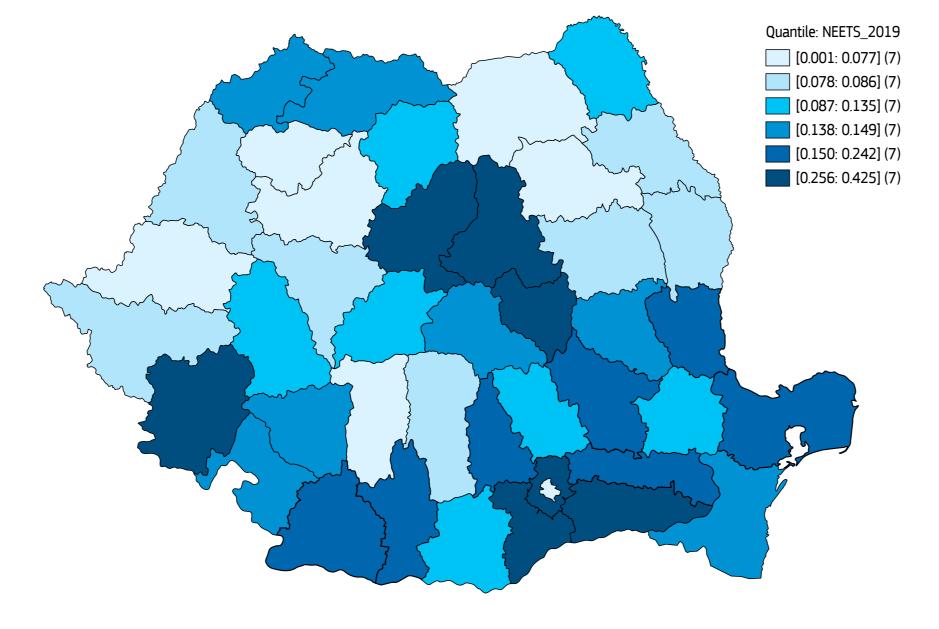
#### **DATA SOURCES**

► Primary data collected from surveys and interviews and secondary data from different registries.

## MAIN FINDINGS

- ► Employment dynamics in 2014-2019 is well below the level recorded in the European Union (increase of 0.7% compared to 5.4%)
- ► HCOP led to 12% increase of the long term unemployed chances and 16% increase of Roma people chances to be employed after 6 months after the end of interventions, in comparison with similar not-supported persons. Limited or no effect on NEETs, due to not adapted interventions to their profile and discouraging calls for applicants
- ➤ Surviving chances of the supported SMEs were 10% higher than similar non-supported enterprises.

Share of NEETs in total population aged between 15 and 24 years old - 2019

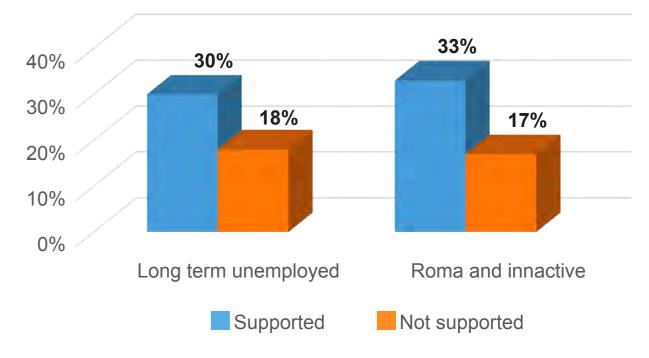


- ► Innovating models of labour management, labour productivity and green labour were identified
- ► Limited effectiveness of continuous vocational training
- ► Costs incurred by the interventions are recovered on medium term by taxes payed by people employed due to the support received under the conditions that sustainability is ensured.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

- ► Intensify the measures to face COVID crisis
- Develop digital competencies
- ► Modernize the governance of continuous vocational training
- ► Change/adapt the interventions for NEETs
- ► Support further the business created
- ► Simplify and adapt procedures and rules.

# Effect on employment after 6 months leaving the operation



#### Effect on turnover

