



# EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL AND INVESTMENT FUNDS: Making the difference, everyday

## 2019 STATE OF PLAY ON IMPLEMENTATION



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### EUROPEAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (ERDF)

Over 3,200 enterprises, including 1,600 start-ups were supported from the ERDF. Cyclists benefit from 280 km of new/renovated cycling paths. More than 7,300 new places are available in kindergartens, and 18,500 people from marginalised Roma communities have better living conditions. Over 15,500 new small scale renewable energy installations were co-financed.



### COHESION FUND (CF)

The Cohesion Fund supported the building or reconstruction of 24 km of motorways, 16 km of railways, and a 8 km extension of the Košice tram network. 7,500 citizens have access to improved wastewater treatment services. The collection of separated municipal waste increased by almost 31 tonnes per year, and recovery capacity grew by over 67,000 tonnes per year.



### EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND (ESF)

270,000 people have participated in ESF funded projects, including 127,000 long-term unemployed, 69,000 people from marginalised Roma communities and 34,000 persons with disabilities. 28,000 of the participants got a job in 6 months after the project. 66,000 young people received support from the Youth Employment Initiative and 39,000 got a job thereafter.



### EUROPEAN AGRICULTURAL FUND FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (EAFRD)

The EAFRD supported 486 young farmers and 346 farmers in their organic farming practices. As a result to the funding, 160,000 hectares of agricultural land is managed under voluntary agri-environment-climate commitments and 106 projects were co-financed to provide basic services and infrastructure in rural areas.

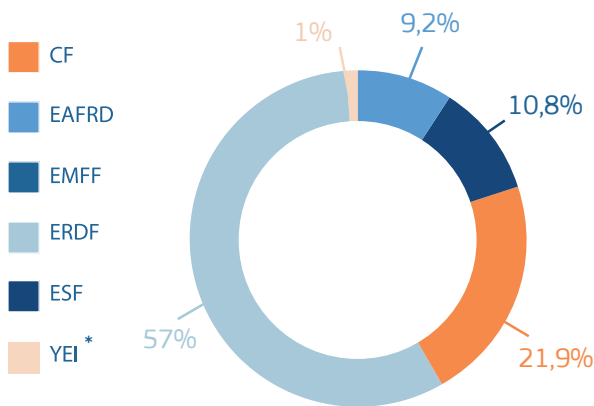


### EUROPEAN MARITIME AND FISHERIES FUND (EMFF)

Contracted 177 projects, including 77 investments started in the The EMFF has so far received 54 project applications (39 regarding private beneficiaries) to be co-financed in the field of aquaculture and for the processing of aquaculture and fishery products.

## OVERALL FUNDING & IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

### Budget by Fund



(\*Youth Employment Initiative)

### Implementation by Fund for Slovakia

(total cost % of planned)



## EXAMPLES OF SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED PROJECTS



### EUROPEAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (ERDF)

#### Paving the way for cyclists

With the support of the Integrated Regional Operational Programme, a key missing section of the international EuroVelo 11 East Europe Cycling Route was completed. The project increases the attractiveness of cycling in Košice and its surroundings. It further contributes to reducing pollution and safeguarding the environment. The total cost of the project is €127,882, including €108,700 from the ERDF. <http://www.eurovelo.sk/index.html>



#### Travelling by fast and modern railway

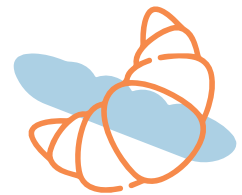
Work is ongoing until 2021 on a 16 km railway section between Púchov and Považská Teplá in North-Western Slovakia. Once the project is finalised, the whole railway line from the capital Bratislava to the city of Žilina will be fully modernised and allowing for travel speeds up to 160 km/h. The total cost of the project is €471 million, including €335 million of Cohesion Fund support. <https://sk-sk.facebook.com/zelezniceslovenskejrepubliky/videos/1771226522939336/>



### EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND (ESF)

#### Special education and cooperation for the socially disadvantaged

The "School open to all" project aims at improving education to socially disadvantaged children. Activities include non-formal educational programmes, complex extra-curricular activities, staff reinforcements at schools and tailor-made trainings. It also promotes cooperation between educational establishments, parents, special pedagogues and local authorities. The total cost of the project is €29.9 million, including €25.4 million from the ESF. <http://npsov.mpc-edu.sk/o-nas/video>



### EUROPEAN AGRICULTURAL FUND FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (EAFRD)

#### Increased production in a small bakery

The project "Bakery Hriňová - Investments to increase the competitiveness of a bakery business" helped a small-scale bakery business to increase production capacity and profitability. The premises of the bakery were reconstructed and the production building extended. Part of the funds was invested into purchasing new machines and equipment. The total cost of the project amounted to €1,993,000 with an EAFRD contribution of €822,000. <http://www.pekarenhrinova.sk>