

IMPLEMENTATION OF E-COHESION

General characteristics



BULGARIA



No. of **targeted national/regional operational programmes** covering ERDF/CF: **5**



No. of **e-Cohesion systems**: **1**

At a glance:

e-Cohesion system: UMIS (ИСУИ)

Introduction of the system: Operational since 2014.

Type of the system: National system - it covers all national/regional OPs and does not support any Interreg programmes.

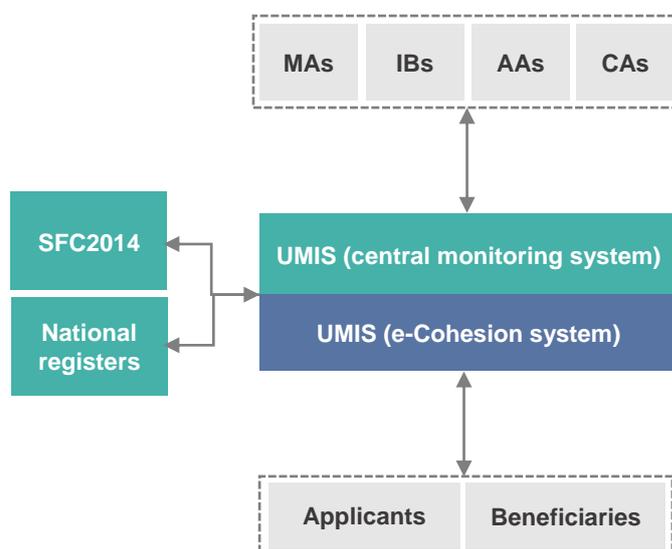
Implementation mode: Highly centralised.

Use during 2021-2027: Ongoing development (based on existing system).

Fund coverage of the system: ERDF CF

Context and structure of e-Cohesion

- E-Cohesion in Bulgaria is **highly centralised** - UMIS is the only system used in the country and covers all five national/regional OPs;
- UMIS is closely integrated with Bulgaria's **central monitoring system for ESIF** and other **national governmental registers** (social insurance registry, register of legal entities);
- UMIS is also integrated with the **European Commission's System for Fund Management (SFC2014)**;
- UMIS supports all processes related to project implementation as well as the application process;
- The use of UMIS is not mandatory but it is the **officially provided solution** for project application and management;
- UMIS supports the use of a **qualified e-signature**.



Implementation of e-Cohesion



Principles: Interoperability and once-only encoding

- UMIS supports once-only encoding.** Data and documents provided by beneficiaries are shared with all relevant authorities;
- UMIS supports the pre-filling of information:** Information is pre-filled based on data entered during the project application and during previous steps of the operation and from some national registers.



e-Cohesion features: Coverage of processes and functionalities

- UMIS supports all operations related to project application and implementation** (progress reports, modification requests, payment claims and management verifications / on-the-spot checks);
- UMIS supports all functionalities associated with user-friendliness** (interactive forms, automatic calculations, checks for incorrect/missing data, system-generated alerts, online status tracking, validity of e-signature and availability of previous data).



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