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<td>DGTC / REGIO Translations SlA B8 2018</td>
<td>Nearly budget for translations to cover needs not falling under the work programme. SlA to be renewed in December 2017.</td>
<td>Necessary to support implementation, audit, communication and other initiatives of the ERIS. Some examples of documents translated under 08’s own budget are: guidelines, such as summaries, toolkits, etc.</td>
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<td>Business process management</td>
<td>Design of compliant and efficient processes for the 2014-2020 period and for closure of 2007-2013. Preparation for the implementation of post-2020 processes. Re-engineering of existing processes making them simpler, more efficient and reliable.</td>
<td>The action will support the work of the Business Process Team (BPT) and allow data sampling of the process inventory, as well as the improvement of existing procedures and monitoring/reporting of the compliance. The action will be the key to a successful implementation of the BPT annual work plan and its overarching objective to design and optimize standard processes according to the criteria set by the Board.</td>
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<td>ESIF open calls - Proof of concept of publication of calls open for Cities on the One Stop Shop</td>
<td>We are developing a concept together with DGIT the proof of concept for an online tool available to provide information on ESIF open calls relevant for cities. This tool aims to be an open data platform. The scope of the action would then be to roll-out the pilot at the moment of going to largest number of ESIF-funded operational programmes.</td>
<td>According to users survey conducted by DG COWIN on the goals of the new EUROPA, information on funding is among the top five reasons when looking into EUROPA. The present action is a first attempt into this direction. Therefore, the objective is to provide one stop shop for cities where to find information on funding opportunities from EU. The tool has been designed to combine information from share-managed and direct-managed EU funds, e.g. Horizon 2020.</td>
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<td>Urban Development Network</td>
<td>The objective of the action is to support cities and MS in the implementation of the 2014-2020 operational programmes on Article 7 &quot;Sustainable Urban Development&quot; and Article 8 &quot;Urban Innovative Actions&quot;. Three two years DG OS is organising thematic workshops on urban development, urban mobility, country-specific topics (Spain, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Slovenia, Croatia etc) and open-source workshops to support and train Act.7 and Act.8 cities and their MAs. In 2018 we are working together with the support of the Other workshops: sessions are organised in close cooperation with the MA. And we make use of the support given by EIB, JASPERS, IRC, URBACT, UIA, etc. Wherever possible we use RAPD tool.</td>
<td>The support delivered contributes to many priorities of the Commission as many of the priorities are directly impacting cities and can only be achieved if cities are contributing fully. We see in many MS a lack of capacities in cities as well as lack of responsibilities, in particular in terms of sustainability. The workshops contribute to a better implementation of our operational programmes 2014-2020 on Article 7 &quot;Sustainable Urban Development&quot; and Article 8 &quot;Urban Innovative Actions&quot;.</td>
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<td>Technical Support for REGIO work on monitoring and reporting of the urban dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda</td>
<td>In Commission level, DG REGIO is leading the implementation at EU level of the urban dimension of 2030 Agenda and the New Urban Agenda. The action aims to support REGIO work on the monitoring and reporting of the urban dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as well as the New Urban Agenda. It will contribute to ensure coherence between the EU action and the Global action on sustainable urban development, including by facilitating the coordination with Member States. Consequently, it will support REGIO work in harmonising and developing tools for monitoring and reporting the urban dimension of the 2030 Agenda and in particular SDG 11, as required by the Council Conclusions on EU response to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The action will build on the existing collaboration between REGIO and JRC in the field of urban policy, such as: URA data-urban development model and its adaptation to Africa and other continents, the Territorial Strategic Identification database (URBADIS) project, the Urban Data Platform, and the Territorial Dashboard, as well as other IPR projects that serve as an input for these platforms. The work will focus on the harmonisation of existing relevant urban indicators in the context of ESIF and to follow-up the 2030 Agenda relevant links between the Urban Data Platform and SDG indicators have been identified and additional ones should be created. The action will be complemented by the further development of the Urban Data Platform, the Global Human Settlement Layer as well as the Harmonised definition of cities, which is one of the Voluntary Commitments that the EU, represented by Commissioner Cecilia, did at the 3rd UN conference on housing and sustainable urban development in Quito, Ecuador.</td>
<td>The action contributes to implementation of objective 4.1 of the management plan: “To enhance policy coordination and dissemination of good practices in the areas of territorial and urban development.”. In particular it will contribute to the &quot;Design and implementation of international activities and EU implementation of relevant UN agreements” and namely to “7. Implementation of the New Urban Agenda and SDG11: contribution to the implementation of Agenda 2030 by the EU”. See fiches.</td>
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2 | Experts ITI, CLLD, TIA 3, inclusive growth, UDN | Experts assisting the unit to carry out studies and provide supporting expertise to work on specific issues in relation to strategies or territorial investments, ITI, CLLD, Territorial impact assessment workshops, inclusive Growth and Urban Development Network | Receiving expertise in support of policy developments. | 250,000,00 | 250,000,00 | WEU list | Expert contract
3 | Inclusive Growth Workshop | In the scope of the inclusive growth priorities, events will be organised to meet the following objectives: awareness-raising activities, capacity building of desk officers and other stakeholders, follow-up events to initiatives launched in 2017. These may include the following themes: integration of people with migrant background, security in public spaces, prevention of marginalised communities, shift to community-based services, work-life balance. | The events will be organised such as seminar, workshops, trainings. Half of these workshops will be held in Brussels, the others should be organised in Member States. The topics and other organisational arrangements will be identified with the desk officers of DG REGIO and DG EMPL. These may also include topics which will follow upcoming political priorities. The aim of this action is to facilitate the implementation of the operation programmes of 2014-2020 at the level of call for proposals and project selection. It should also contribute to reflections on the post 2020 priorities on inclusive growth. As a follow up of these events, policy papers and methodological support papers will be prepared. | 125,000,00 | 125,000,00 | Procurement | Meetings and conference
4 | Communication activities on territorial aspects of cohesion policy | This action consists in carrying out communication activities on territorial aspects of cohesion policy. [...] see file. | Increase the awareness of the public on the possibilities to support growth and development potential in regions with geographic specificities and also promote the new instruments for territorial cooperation that offer to local communities more ownership of the policy and more opportunities to design better up strategies via partnership of local stakeholders. | 350,000,00 | 350,000,00 | Procurement | Communication and publication
5 | Evaluation of the Urban Agenda | After two years of implementation, it is time to evaluate the Urban Agenda for the EU. This has been asked by Member States in the Pact of Amsterdam and in the Council conclusions on the Urban Agenda for the EU (June 2016). In addition, we confirmed that we would do such an evaluation in the report on the Council for the Urban Agenda for the EU (to be adopted in October 2017). The evaluation would cover: (a) The governance (e.g. the Partnerships, role of Commission, role of Member States, role of levels); (b) The proposed actions (e.g. political support, relevance, implementation, impact); (c) The outcomes (e.g. improved coordination, territorial impact assessments); (d) The contribution to the New Urban Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals. | Evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the Urban Agenda for the EU. | 125,000,00 | 125,000,00 | Procurement | Study
6 | Corporate communication under the Multiannual Financial Framework 2014-2020 | Contribution towards the European Commission's corporate communication strategy and actions in application of Commission Decision 2015/684/EU of 29/04/2015 on corporate communication under the Multiannual Financial Framework 2014-2020. | To raise awareness of stakeholders and citizens on the contribution of cohesion policy to the development of regions and to the achievement of EU 2020 targets as part of the European Commission's corporate communication, particularly in 2018 which will mark the 30th anniversary of Cohesion Policy. | 5,812,590,00 | 5,812,590,00 | Procurement | Communication and publication
7 | Communication | Support to the communication activities to deliver on our core missions: media and social media, communication with Member States, Events, Publications, Website activities, Knowledge management (new in 4.2 in this year’s request) and Internal Communication (see separate line -EUR 8.7 million) for the promotion and dissemination of communication material under the FWCF of DG C3M. | Conception and production of products of Information and communication: internal (e.g. media communication, internet, internal newsletter); external (e.g. production of information material and communication under the CAP and the EUSI) and others (e.g. events, campaigns, exhibitions, etc.). | 5,322,893,00 | 5,322,893,00 | Procurement | Communication and publication
8 | Communication - OP impression paper - layout - diffusion and stockage | After page-per-page of OP and impression paper of publications DG REGIO via its contracts- cadre de livres imprimerie, diffusion et stockage des publications. | DG REGIO will participate alongside other DGs in promoting contents to this economic magazine, with the aim of explaining to EU citizens how regional policy has a real impact in their lives, supporting the Europe 2020 strategy for growth and jobs. | 264,517,00 | 264,517,00 | Grant | Communication and publication

**date** 18/19
Catering costs for meetings PRESTO

In line with the DG REGIO Communication Strategy 2017-2020, these information measures relating to the Cohesion policy aim, in particular:

- to help explain, implement and develop the Cohesion policy and to raise public awareness of its content, objectives and results;
- to raise the awareness on the contribution of cohesion policy to the development of regions and to the well-being of its citizens;
- to inform stakeholders and citizens on the results of Cohesion policy specifically in their regions;
- to increase the participation to setting priorities for the Cohesion policy post-2020 and the funding under the next Multiannual Financial Framework;
- to raise the awareness of the win-win impact of Cohesion policy and the potential of Cohesion policy to induce political cohesion in the EU;
- to build trust within the EU and among all citizens. Cohesion policy is a policy for all the citizens of the EU and the benefits that it provides to them must be clearly demonstrated. The key issues and messaging should be fully consistent with the Commission’s legal requirement to carry out information measures within the meaning of Article 115-117 and Annex XII of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013. Expected results:
- Increased citizens’ awareness and support of Cohesion policy.

salary for contractual agents, national experts and intérimaire

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Staff expenditure

1.381.842,00

Provide data or short economic analyses.

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Procurement

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Delegation to DIGIT (admin)

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Study

20/23

Delegation to DIGIT - IT activities

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Procurement

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Delegation to DIGIT (admin)

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Study

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Delegation to DIGIT (admin)

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<td>Supporting the impact assessment</td>
<td>The action will provide short papers on the executive logic of Cohesion Policy. It will also organize the public consultation and analyse the replies.</td>
<td>To propose cohesion policy papers 2020. It has to conduct an impact assessment including a public consultation. This will support that work.</td>
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<td>Audit</td>
<td>The objective is to improve the knowledge of the managing authorities on the set-up and implementation of financial instruments 2014-2020 with regard to issues common to all MS. The purpose of the action is to increase awareness on the role of IFIs and generate buy-in across all stakeholders.</td>
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<td>The action aims at provision of advisory services that is applicable to all Member States/regions and types of financial instruments. Such activities have typically included events, the exchange of best practice and the networking across Member States, as well as training or methodological guidance on common themes such as ex-ante assessments, public procurement; regulatory aspects concerning cohesion policy, possibly State aid, etc.</td>
<td>The objective is to reduce Fi-Compass activities and to focus Fi-Compass activities on study work and analysis.</td>
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<td>Fi-Compass</td>
<td>The outsourcing of these files will help to split the audit work into single audit approach and by focusing DG resources on identified risks.</td>
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<td>Legal Advice</td>
<td>The common provisions of 2014-2020 contain an explicit legal requirement for managing authorities to put in place effective and proportionate anti-fraud measures taking into account the risks identified. To help Member States fulfill this legal requirement and to support managing authorities in monitoring the most risky projects, the European Commission has developed Arachne in cooperation with some Member States and with the help of external specialists. It provides managing authorities with an efficient tool to prevent and detect errors and irregularities and to identify risk of fraud. This action accordingly contributes to the MP objective 4.2.</td>
<td>The outsourcing of these files will help to split the audit work into 2000-2006 Cohesion Fund cases.</td>
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<td>Homologues Group Meeting 2018</td>
<td>The &quot;Homologues Group&quot; meeting is intended to enhance the dialogue and improve the coordination of audit work. It offers the Commission services and their national counterparts the opportunity to openly discuss issues on audit and control, and to exchange opinions and best practices.</td>
<td>The expected result is better cooperation between Member States and the Commission.</td>
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<td>Ad-hoc expert assistance and advice for audit issues</td>
<td>The project ARACHNE aims at establishing a comprehensive and complete database of projects implemented under the Structural Funds in the MS and to enrich the database with publicly available information in order to identify, based on a set of risk indicators, the most risky projects.</td>
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<td>Outsourced Audits</td>
<td>Outsourcing of audit work will include on-site audits and desk review tasks and will be monitored by the REGIO audit Unit if this is not possible the REGIO 15 audit Unit.</td>
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<td>Study on environmental and ecological thematics in the framework of MRS and policy coordination with DG NEAR/ENN</td>
<td>The status of migratory fish, such as the sturgeon as the Danube flagship species, is a parameter of the ecological condition and important indicator of the entire Danube River Basin. Sturgeon and other migratory fish species need to migrate up and down the Danube in order to be able to fulfill their life cycle. The Danube as key migration route for sturgeon requires all tributaries for migration. The Iron Gate Hydro-power and Navigation System on the Iron Gate Dams I &amp; II represents significant migration barriers for fish. At the same time the action &quot;To make the feasibility study for restoring continuity at the Iron Gates is one suggested project of the Danube Action Plan under Art. 4.6 &quot;Water Quality&quot;, and was foreseen to be finalised by 2012. However so far, the realisation of the study could not be implemented. The importance of that project regarding the improvement of the whole sturgeon situation at the flagship project of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region is obvious. The action would possess a feasibility study, including the following actions: preparation of TA, selection of priority, input to study and implementation including monitoring activities and follow-up of results.</td>
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<td>Annual event Interreg programmes</td>
<td>This action should cover organisation of the Annual event for Interreg programmes, which will take place in June 2019 (exact date and place tbc.).</td>
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<td>Stakeholders’ workshops as a direct follow-up to DG REGIO’s Communication on Border Regions</td>
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<td>Joint REGIO/SANTE conference to disseminate the results of on-going mapping of cross-border health care and promote good practices</td>
<td>DG REGIO’s Communication on Border Regions foresees a specific action to promote cross-border health care, using the results of an on-going mapping carried out by DG SANTE.</td>
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<td>Interreg Volunteers Youth Initiative</td>
<td>Interreg Volunteers (Youth) Initiative started in March 2017 with the aim to bring young people closer to Cohesion Policy by offering them the possibility to volunteer on “real” interregional projects or to “learn the ropes” by participating in training courses entitled “Getting Started as an InterregVolunteer (Youth)”.</td>
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<td>Support to the implementation process in and in particular regarding the Smart Specialisation Strategy</td>
<td>Support to the implementation process 2016 to 2018 in particular regarding the implementation of the Smart Specialisation Strategy, Article 125.4-c) of the CRR sets out an obligation for MS to take into account in the programming process the recommendations and actions proposed in DG REGIO’s Communication on Border Regions and obtain concrete input.</td>
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<td>Organisation of a high-level Conference on Good Governance for Cohesion Policy, May 2018</td>
<td>Quality of public administration plays an important role in the success of ESF investments. As housing administrative capacity has been identified as one of the key priorities of the Commissioner for Regional Policy, a number of initiatives have been launched to support Member States’ authorities make the best use of cohesion policy funds and address implementation challenges. With intensifying preparations for cohesion policy post-2020, a high-level conference on cohesion policy will be organized to take stock of lessons learnt so far and discuss the way forward.</td>
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<td>Pool of thematic experts on State Aid</td>
<td>Support will be made available for 5 to 10 pilot projects at the level of an operational programme to strengthen their administrative capacity for the management of the funds. The lessons learnt from these pilots can be directly applied in the current programme period but will also strengthen the organization's administrative capacity in view of the next programme period. The PMH (e.g. programmes for administrative reform) could serve as a benchmark.</td>
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<td>Public procurement: pilot project to promote strategic procurement</td>
<td>Public procurement represents roughly 14% of the EU GDP with a value of approximately EUR 5.8 trillion (2015 data). It is not only a fiscal pillar of strategic governance and service delivery, but also a key economic activity. If used strategically, public procurement can improve the competitiveness of market economies, as well as help deliver major policy outcomes in response to today's societal and economic challenges, especially when it comes to creating sustainable growth and jobs. Procurement has also an important impact on the EU structural and investment funds (ESF funds), where almost half of these funds are spent via public contracts. Smart contracting helps to get the best value for money from ESF funds in order to promote the use of strategic procurement in the context of Cohesion policy, DG REGIO is launching this pilot project to offer practical “hands-on” support to contracting authorities in the member states for the strategic procurement initiatives.</td>
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<td>Pool of experts on public procurement</td>
<td>Support Member States through AMI-list experts in dealing with public procurement issues, including support needed to prepare and carry out strategic procurement procedures.</td>
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<td>Pool of thematic experts on State Aid</td>
<td>Support Member States in designing and implementing state aid schemes or individual aid through AMI-list experts.</td>
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<td>Public procurement: information, promotion and dissemination</td>
<td>Activities to promote and disseminate the outputs of the actions of Public procurement within the framework. Those actions include preparation, editing, translation and printing of promotional material, communication events in MS.</td>
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<td>Boundaries for good practices in application of State Aid rules</td>
<td>This action intends to launch an expert level discussion of State aid issues with high relevance for ESF bodies (Managing Authorities). Selected topics could be new developments (e.g. Commission decisions) or issues of practical relevance to Member States.</td>
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<td>Training (seminars/workshops) on State Aid</td>
<td>General and specialised training courses on State aid in Brussels. The general trainings target state aid practitioners from MS involved in management of ESF, the specialised sessions target ESF practitioners working in specific fields such as broadband, RDI etc. and work on key investment areas for ESF.</td>
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<td>87/88</td>
<td>Training (seminars/workshops) on Public procurement</td>
<td>General and specialised training courses on Public procurement in Brussels. The general trainings target Public procurement practitioners from MS involved in management of ESF, the specialised sessions target ESF practitioners working in specific fields such as broadband, RDI etc. and work on key investment areas for ESF.</td>
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<td>94/91</td>
<td>Strengthening firm competitiveness through technology transfer and developing regional smart specialisation processes and strategies across Romania</td>
<td>The action is intended to improve the ability of Romanian regions to absorb European funds through impactful activities along the innovation chain, including for the Lagging Regions activities. The action includes initiatives to address gaps/weaknesses in the regional tech transfer ecosystem for the NE and NW regions through design and implementation support, initiatives to support all Romanian regions on innovation and smart specialisation activities, global value chain activities and the investigation of an investment platform which bundles various funding streams to focus on technology adoption. In addition, the action will provide support to other Romanian regions to take stock and validate the maturity of their smart specialisation strategies and processes.</td>
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<td>92/92(b)</td>
<td>Monitoring system for RIS3 in HU</td>
<td>Expert support to establish a reliable RIS3 monitoring system in Hungary. With the help of the S3Platform the 2 experts will support the Hungarian administration responsible for RIS3 in the completion and deployment of the monitoring system of their Smart specialisation strategies.</td>
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<td>93/93(b)</td>
<td>S3 CE Cooperation - expert support in mapping/cooping</td>
<td>Expert support for the mapping and scaling of the industry 4.0 cooperation in Central Europe which will lead to the macro region’s better connection to the Thematic Smart Specialisation Platforms and the EU wider networks. With the help of the S3Platform, the 2 experts will support the launched cooperation in the Central European region with focusing their efforts and building on local strength.</td>
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<td>94/95</td>
<td>S3 CE Cooperation - follow-up events</td>
<td>These 2 networking events are the next steps of the S3 CE initiative and will follow on from the previous networking workshops on Smart Specialisation Cooperation in Central Europe held in 2016 in Zagreb and in 2017 in Hungary on Industry 4.0 and in Slovenia on Smart cities and agri-bio-economy.</td>
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**Title:** Sectoral studies for defining unit costs of investment projects  
**Content:** JASPERS has procured a study on unit costs in railway sector and the study will be completed by the end of 2017. The study should produce a report on unit costs in 26 MS and preparation of cost calculator to help in anticipating costs for future projects. JASPERS has also contracted a unit cost study for roads sector. In recent audit of major projects, JASPERS was positive about our attempts and recommended to undertake unit costs in other sectors where cohesion policy is a significant investor. The recommendation from the IAS was the following: “carry out or commission studies/analyses of past ESF projects in different sectors that have been financed by the EU in order to allow the Commission and JASPERS in their evaluations of MF in providing benchmarks against standard costs whenever possible.” It should be understood the complexity of reaching standard unit costs for complex infrastructure projects. Therefore, this proposed PA action will depend on success of rail unit cost study. The sectors to be considered is the roads sector (on the basis of JASPERS initial work). Other non-homogenous sectors such as information society or R&D might be considered for later years.

**Total amount before MFTR:** 1.000,000,000  
**Total amount after MFTR:** 500,000,000  
**Procedure:** Procurement  
**Procedure - Type of action:** Study

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**Title:** Jaspers  
**Content:** JASPERS (Joint Assistance to Support Projects in European Regions) 2014 – 2020 Multibarrel Financial Framework  
**Total amount after MFTR:** 36.000,000,000  
**Procedure:** Grant  
**Procedure - Type of action:** Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

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**Title:** Lagging Regions in Poland  
**Content:** The third phase of the Catch-up Regions Initiative (CRI) in Poland will aim to provide funds to support a limited number of small and medium-sized cities in order to boost their economic growth and enhance their attractiveness for investors, businesses and citizens. Furthermore, the Initiative envisages some additional technical assistance for allowing the roll-out of the developed pilot projects of phase I and II in Poland’s regions. The action will be carried out with the World Bank.

**Total amount after MFTR:** 1.900,000,000  
**Total amount after MFTR:** 1.750,000,000  
**Procedure:** Grant  
**Procedure - Type of action:** Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

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**Title:** Catching-up regions initiative  
**Content:** This initiative is focused on enhancing the efficiency and prioritisation of investments to be made from the European Structural and Investment Funds already allocated to the Member States and from the national budget, as well as from other funding sources, in order to obtain an accelerated development in the less developed regions.

**Total amount after MFTR:** 1.000,000,000  
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**Procedure:** Grant  
**Procedure - Type of action:** Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

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**Title:** Pilot action for interregional RIS3 cooperation  
**Content:** The new action aims to implement actions announced in the Commission Communication on Smart Specialisation COM(2017)776, to work in close collaboration with thematic partnerships representing policy-makers, researchers, businesses and other innovation actors, in particular to help partnerships of researchers and businesses to develop strategic inter-regional common projects to complement the work of the thematic smart specialisation platforms. This action will launch a second call for five to ten partnerships.

**Total amount after MFTR:** 1.000,000,000  
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**Procedure:** Procurement  
**Procedure - Type of action:** Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

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**Title:** Conference on designing better innovation policies  
**Content:** Organisation of a conference on designing better innovation policies as part of the follow-up to the smart specialisation COM(2017)776 and to the “Smart Regions” I conference in June 2017. To be developed on the basis of cooperation with the OECD.

**Total amount after MFTR:** 900,000,000  
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**Procedure:** Procurement  
**Procedure - Type of action:** Meetings and conference

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**Title:** Designing better innovation policies for regions and cities  
**Content:** Organisation of 5 seminars with the OECD on the basis of expert papers on a range of issues related to improving the implementation of innovation policies for regions and cities. Feed into the development of the Commission’s approach to regional innovation policies, drawing on lessons from academic literature and other OECD member states. The results will be fed into current work on smart specialisation and Cohesion Policy post-2020.

**Total amount after MFTR:** 900,000,000  
**Total amount after MFTR:** 500,000,000  
**Procedure:** Meetings and conference  
**Procedure - Type of action:** Grant

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**Title:** Smart and sustainable growth: external expertise  
**Content:** Expert’s contracts in thematic fields  
**Total amount after MFTR:** 468.918,500  
**Total amount after MFTR:** 468.918,500  
**Procurement - Type of action:** Expert contract

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**Title:** Small studies for policy development  
**Content:** The action is intended to provide the possibility to undertake small studies to support policy development in the area of smart and sustainable growth.

**Total amount after MFTR:** 300,000,000  
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<td>110/114</td>
<td>Brussels-based facility for Broadband Competence Offices (BCO)</td>
<td>Running of the Brussels-based Facility for Broadband Competence Offices (BCO) from 2017 until end of 2020.</td>
<td>DG AGRI, DG REGIO and DG CNECT jointly run the Brussels-based facility for supporting the network of Broadband Competence Offices (BCO) from 2017-2020. This structure was established in Brussels in early 2017 and coordinates and supports a network of national and/or regional hubs in order to promote the introduction of fast and ultra-fast broadband all over the EU territory, including in rural areas. The aforementioned structure is in line with the priorities of the 2014-2020 ESIF programming, Financial Instruments priorities, Digital Single Market (DSM) priorities and the overall priorities of Juncker Commission.</td>
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<td>112</td>
<td>Pilot action for regions in industrial transition</td>
<td>The new action aims to implement actions announced in the Commission Communication on Smart Specialisation COM(2016)756. The Commission will put in place a pilot action involving a limited number of test regions expressing their interest to work on the basis of their respective smart specialisation strategies in order to promote broad-based innovation to address the challenges of the industrial transition. This action will launch a second call for proposals around five partnership.</td>
<td>The aim of the action is to facilitate the combined use of existing EU Instruments and programmes managed by the Commission together with the resources available from cohesion policy, with the aim of accelerating the innovation update, removing investment barriers and facilitating medium and preparing for industrial and social change.</td>
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<td>113/114</td>
<td>Study on the development and implementation of framework for monitoring and evaluation of Smart Specialisation</td>
<td>Linked to the Communication, adopted as of 18 July 2017, and to the European Parliament Resolution IP (2017)0086 (2017/2130(INL)), it is expected to work on improvements of the research and innovation system at regional and local levels. Development of a system of a “monitoring/evaluation/knowledge management” for Smart Specialisation will be helpful in this regard. This is the second stage of the project.</td>
<td>The aim of this action would be a development of a Monitoring and Evaluation framework which transparently record successes and failures to implement regional innovation strategies for smart specialisation in MS regions and allow prompt detection of problems in design and execution of projects as a management tool. The World Bank can develop a Monitoring and Evaluation framework by carrying out this study.</td>
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<td>Analyse comparative des modes de financement des entreprises au Portugal</td>
<td>Analyse comparative des trois formes de financement FEDER pour les entreprises au Portugal (subventions, aides remboursables, instruments financiers).</td>
<td>The analysis will provide feedback and help improve the implementation of the OPS on the collaboration of the managing authorities and the intermediate bodies.</td>
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<td>Support to intermediate bodies in the implementation of TO-04</td>
<td>The aim of this contract is to support the work of the Geographical Unit by preparing a mapping and assessment of the calls for proposals carried out so far under the TO4 of the different OPs. By evaluating the calls for proposals as well as a set of awarded projects, the study will help on providing direct feedback to the European Commission. The results will be shared with the managing authority and the EIB/ECMa network.</td>
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The project aims to assess the impact of ERDF funding on the reception and integration of migrants in Italy, both through national and regional strategies and local authorities, the Commission intends to actively support the speed of the implementation, avoiding further delays which could endanger the fullment of the commitments in terms of performance framework and EU rules. Furthermore, the actions taken so far are already improving the overall governance of the funds, enabling a multilevel cooperation between the European Commission, the Spanish Managing Authority and the Urban Authorities while empowering cities by enhancing the participatory approach and the partnership principle.

On the other hand, it aims to reinforce the coordination of the technical assistance, avoiding dissociation of initiatives and to improve the capacity of the RIU to ensure the coherence of the implementation of these strategies with the construction of the Spanish Urban Agenda and with the European Urban Agenda.

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<td>The project will assess the socio-economic impact of the use of 2007-2013 ERDF resources in urban areas of more than 30,000 inhabitants. Due to the high number of cities implementing strategies and the complexity linked to managing ERDF funds and the successful implementation of integrated urban strategies, DG REGIO (DGs G2 and DGS2) identified the need of reinforcing the monitoring and technical assistance given to cities. The Commission decided to order a study (contract nr 2016CE160AT093) which consists in a repository of the first batch of integrated urban strategies (81 projects), an online consultation to urban authorities and the realisation of these focus groups. The result will be a document with a consensual proposal on the priorities and the roadmap for the implementation of the technical assistance given to the cities through the Spanish Network of Urban Initiatives (RIU). The final report is expected at the end of September. The work of the two experts will be used to support the implementation of the roadmap. The objective is to assess the socio-economic impact of the use of 2007-2013 ERDF resources in urban areas of more than 30,000 inhabitants.</td>
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<td>Improving the use of ERDF funding on migration in Italy: impact of ERDF funding in 2007-2013 and recommendations for 2014-2020</td>
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<td>11/01/18/00/30</td>
<td>Deployment of monitoring systems of RIS3 strategies - phase II</td>
<td>The project is the continuation of phase I, implemented during 2017 and considered as pilot project in the context of the STARform coalition, a short series of focused workshops involving all topics regional and national parties involved in the monitoring system of the Smart Specialisation strategies. The scope will be extended to all regions (21) and the national strategy, building on the lessons learnt from phase I.</td>
<td>The project will assist Italian authorities with the revision exercise of RIS3 strategies, based on the outcomes of the monitoring of the first years of implementation. In particular, in line with the national RIS and building on phase I, the project will aim to develop common approaches to monitoring RIS3 strategies at national level, including through the development of common indicators. In addition, the project will continue with the entrepreneurial discovery process, in particular, at ways of involving stakeholders during revision and implementation. The initiative will support regions in their effort to stick to RIS3 strategies when investing in OIT, as well as OIT and OIT, by promoting simplification and building on the experience so far. Finally, the project would provide useful input into the preparation of post-2020 funding.</td>
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<td>Drawing lessons from ERDF support in the areas struck by the earthquake in Abruzzo</td>
<td>The project will assess the socio-economic impact of the use of 2007-2013 ERDF resources in the areas struck by the 2009 earthquake in Abruzzo.</td>
<td>The project aims to draw conclusions for more efficient use of resources in the future (as part of the additional resources to be allocated to the Abruzzo region – 40 million EUR at the end of 2017 – following the 2017 earthquake). There is little information on the socio-economic impact of the ERDF in the affected area and there is evidence that the resources have had limited impact (little economic activity in L’Aquila’s historical center; large amount of small projects with little impact).</td>
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<td>11/01/18/00/50</td>
<td>Expenditures for Learning and Development (TFI) Organisation of learning and development actions, in line with the priorities set out in the Annual Strategic Learning and Development Plan.</td>
<td>Developing skills and knowledge of DG REGIO staff</td>
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<td>11/01/18/00/60</td>
<td>Improved regionalisation and timeliness of SLC (2018-2019)</td>
<td>Grants will be provided to MS to support the further developments and improvements of SLC in the context of its redeployment, in timeliness and its regional coverage.</td>
<td>These grants will ensure a better regional coverage of SLC indicators such as the ‘at risk of poverty’ or social exclusion rate.</td>
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The action is aimed at assessing the implementation of the investment priority 1(a) regional research and development infrastructure within the Regional Operational Programme for Lubelskie region in Poland. The consultancy should focus on the implementation of the quality of proposals to be co-financed under the Regional Operational Programme and development infrastructure of the Regional Operational Programme for Lubelskie region for years 2014-2020. The assistance shall provide assistance for potential beneficiaries (policy entities and projects specified in the Territorial Contract for the Lubelskie region) and cooperation with the Managing Authority aimed at improving the evaluation system for proposals.

The main objective of the action is to support:
- the revision of the programming and implementation documentation prepared by the Managing Authority for the ESIF support for research and development infrastructure within the regional programme 2014-2020 for Lubelskie region;
- the close collaboration with the applicants in the framework of the preparation of application forms and all accompanying documents which are necessary for the successful application for ESIF grants.

The main results of the action:
- the set-up of operational recommendations for the managing authority regarding the assessment and selection procedures within the investment priority 1(a);
- the depth analysis of applicants' proposals followed by operational recommendations on the quality of the application forms.

The action contributes to the following MI objective: “1.1 To support the delivery by Member States of the 2014-2020 programmes’ objectives ensuring quality of cohesion policy investment”.

Discussion paper (internal report) and guidance document that is to feed into an action plan for effective implementation and operation ETCS and GSM-A equipment along the Romanian section of the TEN-T White Donau-Carne network corridor from the border with Hungary at Cetate to the port of Constanta on the Black Sea.

25,000,00
127,100,00

Procurement
Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

128
2 new Urban Agenda Partnerships (security and culture)

On 20 April 2018 the OSUAM (the OSUAm meeting coordinaties the activities of the Urban Agenda including Commission, MS, CEE, CEM, and EUROSTAT) decided to add 2 new Partnerships under the framework of the Urban Agenda for the EU. DG REGIO has been pushing for the topic of security in public spaces within the 4Ts (new topic for the 4th call) and likewise as a new partnership. In order to safeguard the continuity of the Urban Agenda it is important to add new topics. Therefore the topic culture and cultural heritage was added as well as security MS were supporting this topic.

Discuss what the Urban Agenda for the EU is delivering, 2 years after the Pact of Amsterdam and the start of the first Partnerships. Follow-up, monitoring and reporting of the action plan implementation, measuring impact by explaining which actions are being implemented, how they relate to the main objectives of the Urban Agenda for the EU and how they support the cross cutting issues. The Urban Agenda goes beyond Cohesion Policy (as all policies of the Commission) but with this action a clear link will be made to Cohesion Policy by analysing how the actions contribute to a stronger Cohesion Policy.

0,00
600,000,00

Procurement
Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

129
Urban Agenda horizontal activities

All EU AI Partnerships are delivering actions towards the objectives better regulation, better funding architecture, knowledge. (All each Partnership implements 8-12 actions. This project will report on implementation and will bring all actions together to give a better overview what the Urban Agenda is delivering with regard to the objectives (for examples per thematic area). At that time all 12 Partnerships will have their actions endorsed in a Part Action Plan. It should function as a state of the Urban Agenda for the cities related to the 12 (or more) topics. The cross cutting issues will play a crucial role as these are horizontal and address all Partnerships. This request will also include tools such as the Urban Agenda technical/Preparatory Group for the evergreen of the UAI).

The main results of the action:

Show what the Urban Agenda for the EU is delivering, 2 years after the Pact of Amsterdam and the start of the first Partnerships. Follow-up, monitoring and reporting of the action plan implementation, measuring impact by explaining which actions are being implemented, how they relate to the main objectives of the Urban Agenda for the EU and how they support the cross cutting issues. The Urban Agenda goes beyond Cohesion Policy (as all policies of the Commission) but with this action a clear link will be made to Cohesion Policy by analysing how the actions contribute to a stronger Cohesion Policy.

0,00
150,000,00

Procurement
Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

130 E\1\11 Evaluation and integration of REGIO Communication campaigns

E\1\111 Evaluation and integration of REGIO Communication campaigns

- To evaluate the fourth Road Trip Campaign (3rd edition)

Assess activities that are new to DG REGIO and optimise their integration with other ongoing established activities with a view to ensuring synergies, optimal efficiency and best use of human and financial resources.

0,00
300,000,00

Procurement
Communication and publication

131 Smart specialisation in the Eastern Partnership countries

The action comprises support through JRC for enhancing the regional focus of ongoing smart specialisation work principally in Ukraine and Moldova which JRC is currently implementing. For Ukraine the main focus would be the development of a regional strategy in one of the four regions which are participating in the macro-regional strategy for the Donbas Region. The concrete tasks are likely to be: (i) organisation of a workshop involving local stakeholders and (ii) assistance to the Ukrainian authorities by experts to be contracted by JRC. For Moldova, the entire country participates in the Danube Strategy, the main task is likely to be the organisation of regional workshops (maximum 8). For Georgia, five tasks will be limited to an awareness raising event in line with CPR articles 5.1 f).

The main results of the action:

- the contribution to implementation of Priority Area “Knowledge society” of the Donbas Strategy, including cooperation of the regions in Ukraine and Moldova with EU regions participating in the strategy (v) contribute to necessary strategic basis for implementing the national project pipeline for regional competitiveness projects in Ukraine and Moldova, as part of the development of their national regional development systems (ii) the regional strategy to be developed in Ukraine shall serve as a pilot which can be replicated elsewhere (vi) in the case of Georgia the objective is limited to awareness raising of the topic for which no work has yet been undertaken.

The action contributes to the following MP objective: “1.1 To support the delivery by MS of proposals to be co-financed under investment priority 1a Regional research and development infrastructure within the Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020 for Lubelskie region; “ - the review of the programming and implementation documentation prepared by the Managing Authority for the ESIF support for research and development infrastructure within the regional operational programme 2014-2020 for Lubelskie region; “ - the close collaboration with the applicants in the framework of the preparation of application forms and all accompanying documents which are necessary for the successful application for ESIF grants.

0,00
177,000,00

Administrative agreement
Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

132 J\1\12 UN statistical expert meeting on city definition

The UN Statistical Division will convene a statistical expert meeting to evaluate the global city definition proposed by the EU, OECD, FAO and WB.

This supports the voluntary commitment to develop a global definition of cities and settlements.

0,00
50,000,00

Grant
Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

133 Regional meetings on city definition

In habitat will organise seven meetings in Asia, Africa and Latin America to present the global definition of cities and settlements, provide hands-on training and discuss the results.

This supports the voluntary commitment to develop a global definition of cities and settlements.

0,00
540,000,00

Grant
Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

134 City definition in central Asia

The OECD will carry out three pilot projects in Central Asia to present the global definition of cities and settlements, and provide hands-on training and discuss the results.

This supports the voluntary commitment to develop a global definition of cities and settlements.

0,00
150,000,00

Grant
Technical and other administrative assistance to MS

135 Sub-national doing business

This action will produce sub-national doing business reports for Italy, Greece and Ireland.

The quality of the business environment can lead growth and the impact of cohesion policy, Ms.

0,00
1,870,000,00

Grant
Study

136 Transport analysis

This action will analyse road and rail accessibility at the regional and local level. This will provide better insights where accessibility is sufficient and where it could be improved.

Improving accessibility is expected to improve development, however, an improvement of transport infrastructure may actually hinder development. It is important for cohesion policy to go to the bottle neck.

0,00
600,000,00

Administrative agreement
Study

137 Audit direct management

The outsourcing by EMS of ex post controls of expenditure by grant beneficiaries under the direct management of REGIO.

As a result of the inspection of the post funding period in 2013 and the adoption of the new regulatory framework, the support of an external expert is required to help with the necessary tasks for the preparation of the post2020 period for cooperation on external borders, including the drafting of respective position papers. The external borders include MS also as in REGIO programmes.

The outcome will be a position paper for cooperation on external borders covering all respective programmes.

0,00
60,000,00

Procurement

Expert contract

138 Expert advice for position papers for post 2020 for the cooperation on external borders (PA CBC and ENI CBC programmes)

In regards of the start of the new funding period in 2023 and the adoption of the new regulatory framework, the support of an external expert is required to help with the necessary tasks for the preparation of the post2020 period for cooperation on external borders, including the drafting of respective position papers. The external borders include MS also as in REGIO programmes.

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<td>Expert advice position papers for post 2020 for the Transnational programmes</td>
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<td>Expert advice for guidance for post 2020 on how to integrate cooperation activities into mainstream programming</td>
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<td>Expert advice for the review of the EUSBSR Action Plan</td>
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<td>Position papers for cross-border cooperation per border</td>
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<td>Workshop on Cross-Border Cooperation in eGovernment during the WebSummit 2018</td>
<td>Consist of a meeting and networking event on cross-border cooperation with DG CNECT, and aligned with the Commission’s eGovernment Action Plan. The workshop’s purpose was to promote action in e-public administration in cross-border regions, including the preparation work for respective cross-border position papers in order to justify Commission proposals for priorities per border.</td>
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<td>153/154</td>
<td>Expert support with regard to simplify the government processes and increase the absorption capacity of the EU funds</td>
<td>The objective is to assist the Unit in applying relevant cross-border specific data to cross-border position papers in order to justify Commission proposals for priorities per border. Deliverable: Draft cross-border position papers per border.</td>
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**Notes:**
- MTR: Multi-annual Work Programme
- Procurement: Meetings and conference
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<td>Study on Rural Broadband</td>
<td>The Commission has joined forces with Member States to help extend broadband in rural areas. The action is one is a new set of actions that aims to roll out high-speed broadband connections to 10 million rural citizens by 2020. (See 29/1/2018 note presented to the Board on Update on Broadband implementation, Broadband Competence offices and discussion about the Action for Rural Broadband)</td>
<td>The study will define a simple framework with the key elements that any remote and rural broadband project should address with regards to - among other things - procurement, state aid, and cost structure. This simple &quot;framework&quot; will then be made available and communicated to Managing Authorities, the European Network for Rural Development and Broadband Competence Officers (RENCO) and will be used to assist policy makers (e.g., mayors), local authorities, project managers, local action groups, and other concerned parties that implement broadband investment projects in rural areas.</td>
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<td>103</td>
<td>Coal Regions in Transition: Czech Republic and Slovakia</td>
<td>The goal is to assess and support strategic thinking in the transition of coal regions in the Czech Republic and Slovakia. DG Regio has a long experience supporting industrial transition and restructuring of Europe’s regions, including the intensive ones.</td>
<td>- Assessing the existing development plans, strategies and project proposals which are already in place or are being prepared from the point of view of their contribution to transformation of the region and phasing off from the coal based economic activities. - Assessing the transformation strategy of main players, i.e. the coal mining companies and related activities (power plants, central heating etc) from the points of view of compliance with EU policies, timing, potential for economic development, impact on jobs etc. - Assessing the Action Plans which have been proposed with the view of their priority, degree of contribution to transformation strategy, timing etc. - Preparing an outline set of actions linked to the transformation strategies of regions concerned which could feed into the Position paper and future informal dialogue in order to facilitate the transformation of the region concerned. - To assist the Commission programming exercise in order to define an optimal mix of measures fostering a development response to the transformation from coal-based industry.</td>
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<td>Support to Implementation of OPs 2014-20 and preparatory actions 2021-2027</td>
<td>Mobilisation of AMI experts in the area of supporting programme implementation for delayed OPs as well as for improving actions in the area of Smart Specialisation for OPs 2014-2020.</td>
<td>- This part of the action foresees to improve speed of implementation in delayed regional operational programmes. - The expertise will be deployed in areas with difficulties and significant delays. - The AMI experts will construct a receiving selection and certification procedure. If necessary organisational changes in the managing authorities will be agreed. - A further strand of this action will deepen expertise in regional operational programmes in the areas of smart specialisation and enable managing authorities to achieve better results in implementation.</td>
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<td>Support for decision of cases of irregularities from 2000-2006 in Germany</td>
<td>The action will produce draft assessments of 30 cases of irregularities from ERDF programmes 2000-2006 supported by the ERDF in Germany (&quot;article 5.2 cases&quot;).</td>
<td>- This part of the action foresees to improve speed of implementation in delayed regional operational programmes. The action will provide additional legal capacities to the work of DG REGIO. Up to 400 cases from the period under question will be examined for deal with by DG REGIO.</td>
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<td>Support for preparation of position paper for ERDF in the Netherlands after 2020</td>
<td>The contractor will support unit F2 in producing a draft position paper of the ERDF interventions in Australia in the period after 2020. The contractor will concern mainly the analytical part of the position paper, and will use available national Australian statistics and analyses, other organisations such as the OECD and the EU.</td>
<td>The objective of the action is to support unit F2 in the production of a draft position paper of the ERDF interventions in Australia in the period after 2020 of good quality and in due time. The action will mobilise knowledge not available in the unit.</td>
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<td>104/158</td>
<td>Support for preparation of position paper for ERDF in Austria after 2020</td>
<td>The contractor will support unit F2 in producing a draft position paper of maximum 15 pages for the ERDF interventions in Austria in the period after 2020. The contractor will concern mainly the analytical part of the position paper, and will use available national Austrian statistics and analyses, other organisations such as the OECD and the EU.</td>
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<td>Empirically led internationalisation of S3 based on micro data</td>
<td>Expert support and study for applying cutting-edge research to a concrete S3 example (in this case Slovenia) to address one of the key S3 challenges, i.e. how to empirically and practically support internationalisation, thus how to make S3s open, integrated and complementary to other. Study and support will be performed by using knowledge space and technological relatedness research on the micro level, which should enable not just more targeted design of S3 priorities in the future, but also to support specific and concrete international cooperation of specific innovation clusters, thereby also facilitating synergies between cohesion policy and other EU funding sources (example of Industrial Modernisation Platform).</td>
<td>Slovenia can be considered to be one of the better functioning S3 examples as it has set up consistent priorities with adjusted policy mix and especially well functioning governance structure. S3 has served as an agent of change whereby triple-helix actions organised themselves around the S3 targeted Strategic Research and Innovation Partnerships. This process should now be taken to the next level by way of mid-term revision of the Slovenian S3 strategy, which is foreseen for 2019. In this process Slovenia could serve as a pilot example, as a testbed, how new cutting-edge research backed US3 preparation, on the firm level, would be applied in practice and thus fostering international cluster cooperation to the new level. The study’s objective would be to perform a full knowledge space analysis for Slovenia and subsequently identify key local and international innovation actors (firms, institutions) in order to support S3 development for future group potential in science, technology and industrial activities based on local capabilities and areas of greatest opportunity for growth. In particular, it would apply knowledge space and technological relatedness research to the case of Slovenia and explore, on the micro level: 1) knowledge as well as skills supply on research as well as private side; 2) match that with technological trends and demand on the (multinational) company level and 3) prepare future skills and occupation analysis based on evolutionary insights. This would enable to showcase how the biggest challenge in S3 could be addressed, i.e. to provide basis for targeted internationalisation, not on the sector or product level, but on the company and cluster level, which has not been done before. It would also allow to compare and then prepare dedicated policy mix taking into account micro level data as well as future trends. Results of this study would thus serve as a possible benchmark also for the preparation of S3 strategies for the post 2020 period.</td>
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<td>Implementation of urban sustainable policy in Italy</td>
<td>The action will analyse (desk and on the field) regions’ urban sustainable governance and the monitoring set-up described in the approved documents, ensuring that the new process initiated with the adoption of the sustainable urban development strategies approach becomes a common practice. In particular, proper monitoring leads to understanding of the ability of the local strategy to reach the objectives foreseen in the timeframe. The analysis will encompass the comparison of the different modalities to involve local stakeholders. Inside that the initiative would help Geographical Unit G1 to prepare the Italian country position paper for the new programming period 2021-2027.</td>
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| 005 | Implementation of urban sustainable policy in Italy | The study would be aimed at monitoring the implementation of OPs and would make it possible to suggest prompt corrective actions where needed, besides stimulating an active approach from the Italian central and local administrations. | 113.455.765,00 | 114.125.413,00 | |

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