

TA 2019 Financing decision - Working document

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2019-001	SLA with DGT (translations)	Service Level Agreement with DGT for translation of documents to be disseminated notably to Member States	The action will sustain the operational effectiveness of the DG notably in its activities aimed at supporting MS' efforts to improve speed and quality of implementation. Translation of guidance documents to be disseminated to Member States is an explicit obligation resulting from the Better Regulation requirement.	All	400.000,00			400.000,00	Procurement	Translations	
2019-002	Technical support to the Commission in establishing and developing the "ERDF Transnational Network (TN) on Simplified Cost Options (SCOs)	The purpose of the contract is to provide technical support to the Commission in establishing and developing the "ERDF Transnational Network (TN) on Simplified Cost Options (SCOs)", in which will be represented national/regional authorities and networks involved in the design, implementation and control of SCOs within ERDF OPs.	The specific objectives are: i. To support the strategic orientation and coordination of the TN ii. To support the organisation and facilitation of TN meetings iii. To carry out an analysis of the relevant issues, solutions and practices related to the design and implementation of SCOs which are available within the Network iv. To support the exchange and dissemination of best and transferable practices, as well as a key recommendations and proposals, emerging from the Network. The Network will be established in order to facilitate the exchange of experiences, capacity building and networking and the capitalisation and dissemination of outcomes of transnational cooperation. Deliverables will be interim and final reports.	All	30.000,00			30.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-003	Business process management	Maintenance 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.	The action will support the work of the Business Process Team (BPT) and allow the extension of the process inventory, as well as the improvement of existing procedures and monitoring / reporting capabilities for management. The action will be key to the successful implementation of the BPT annual work plan and its overarching objective to design and optimise standard processes according to the criteria set by the Board. The action will serve to promote the implementation of processes by the services of the Directorate-General through the provision of specifications, review, contribution to testing, standard documents supporting the process execution, guidance documents, training material, trainings, monitoring tools, monitoring, expertise, awareness raising actions, communication with stakeholders, driving process governance in the organisation, liaising with counterparts in other Directorates-General. The budget of the action provides for the renewal of the contracts for the intramuros experts in the team, in order to ensure continuity of the team's skillset in view of the tasks related to the implementation of procedural aspects of the future Regulations of the post-2020 period.	All	685.000,00			685.000,00	Procurement	IT	
2019-004	AMI Expert work (unit 03)	AMI experts for - UDN workshops: 60.000 EUR - the set-up of EU: 50.000 EUR - expert work on capitalising on the experience of urban, territorial and local strategies: 100.000 EUR - support for the working group on Evaluation and monitoring of the Union for the Mediterranean : 80 000 EUR	Support for the implementation of 2014-2020 programmes and integrated territorial strategies. Support for preparations of post-2020 programming and implementation, to feed the knowledge base of unit 03, geo units, cities and regions.	All	390.000,00			390.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-005	Methodologies/ toolkits for localisation of Sustainable Development Goals	Workshop for cities and regions to present toolkit(s)/ methodologies that they used for localisation of SDGs	Cohesion policy is a key driver towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), both in the current programming period as well as in post 2020, and is the only EU policy that is implemented in close cooperation with local and regional authorities that play a crucial role in implementing the Agenda 2030 and the SDGs objectives, not only SDG 11, but all SDGs and targets in an integrated way. Considering the fact that about 65% of the 169 targets underlying the 17 SDGs will not be reached without proper engagement and coordination with local and regional governments, it is necessary to support the dissemination and uptake of toolkit/s-methodologies developed that can help cities to design and monitor local SDG strategies. DG REGIO is working via the multistakeholder platform established by VP Timmermans on SDGs with stakeholders of the subgroup on SDG at regional and local level to map all existing methodologies and toolkits to help cities design and monitor local SDG strategies. The aim of this action is to organise a workshop to bring together cities and regions that have used available methodologies and toolkit/s in their efforts to develop local SDG strategies and also the findings of an evaluation by JRC on the strong and weak points of them and create awareness across EU	All	50.000,00			50.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-006	Renewal of the administrative agreement with the JRC on the URBADEV project	Evaluation of integrated territorial and urban strategies supported by the territorial instruments (SUD, ITI, CLLD)	Complement the already established knowledge base (REGIO-JRC STRAT-Board tool).	All	200.000,00			200.000,00	Administrative Agreement	Evaluation	
2019-007	Urban Innovative Actions - mid term evaluation	To have preliminary assessment of the initiative whose aim is to offer to EU cities an EU instrument that promote deployment of innovative solutions to urban challenge	The evaluation will look at projects selected in the first four calls of Urban innovative Actions (e.g. governance, implementation and impact at local level) in order to assess whether the initiative was able to provide the conditions for cities to test innovative solutions where knowledge acquired can be for the benefits of other EU cities.	All	100.000,00			100.000,00	Procurement	Evaluation	
2019-008	Workshops on migration and deinstitutionalisation	3 workshops will be organised to support the implementation of EU funds programmes. 2 of them will focus on the dissemination of the "Toolkit on the use of EU funds for integration of people with a migrant background" (Italy, Germany). 1 workshop will focus on the use of EU funds for reinforcing the shift to community based services for children deprived from parental care, people with disabilities (Member State in the Central-Eastern European region)	Supporting the implementation of the 2014-2020 programmes in the field of integration of people with a migrant background and shift to community based services. It is in line with the objective 1.1 of the TA strategy.	All, with particular attention to those which receive significant number of asylum seekers and/or residents with migrant background are located there. In the case of workshop on shift to community based services, primarily those Member States will be invited where the volume of allocated EU funds to this issue is significant.	180.000,00			180.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-009	Extension of Partnerships under the Urban Agenda for the EU	All Partnerships part of the Urban Agenda for the EU receive 2.5 years support through the FWC to support Partnerships. Some of the partnership contracts were signed for 2 years and need to be extended with 6 months.	Partnerships which will produce Action Plans which will lead to better regulation, better funding and better knowledge.	All. The Urban Agenda Partnerships are multi-governmental saying that all different government levels and all MS (including Norway) are involved/contributing.	240.000,00			240.000,00	Procurement	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	

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2019-010	10 years of Territorial Cohesion	Conference and publication to commemorate 10 year anniversary of Territorial Cohesion and Lisbon Treaty	Lisbon Treaty entered into force in December 2009 added next to Economic and Social Cohesion the goal of Territorial Cohesion. Cohesion Policy is one of the main policies fostering territorial cohesion of the EU a goal that is more relevant today since regions and cities argue for stronger territorial dimension in order to achieve better impacts on the development of different places around European. Via a conference and a publication we would like to signify the contribution of Cohesion Policy to this third goal added by the Lisbon Treaty 10 years after the signature of the Treaty and to link this with the discussions by MS to revitalise territorial agenda post 2020 . In addition to mobilise other parts of the Commission to showcase how they have been promoting via their policies the goal of territorial cohesion . Having in mind that 2019 will be also the year that the mandate of the new Commission will start this event aspires to be a focal one to contribute also to the reflections of the new Commission about the priorities of the EU	All	200.000,00			200.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-011	Cities Forum 2019	Organisation of the 4th CITIES FORUM end of 2019/early 2020. In the Pact of Amsterdam the Commission (DGREGIO) committed itself to organise bi-annual CITIES FORUMS. The board as well as the CAB already comitted to this 4th edition and agreed on 300.000,-. On the basis of this knowledge and the fact that DG COMM promised us to use their FWC if SCIC couldn't assist we opened an open call for cities to co-organise this with DG REGIO. We received interest from 78 cities. At the DG meeting for urban matters (mid Nov) a decision will be made on the bases of a neutral assessment done by the Commission.	At the CITIES FORUM the state of play Urban Agenda for the EU will be presented including the uptake of all the actions being implemented at the moment. In addition the assesment study of the Urban Agenda will be presented. The CITIES FORUM plays an important role towards the German Presidency and the informal ministerial related to the review of the Leipzig charter.	All	300.000,00			300.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-012	5th Forum of the outermost regions	Organisation of the 5th Forum of the outermost regions which will bring together the Presidents of Europe's outermost regions, representatives from their three Member States, members of civil society, external stakeholders and representatives of the EU institutions.	This Forum usually brings together the President of the Commission and the relevant Commissioner as well as the Presidents of the outermost regions (OR) , in the context of the EU strategy for the OR. Usually a Declaration is expected to be endorsed (expected result). This Forum is a platform for dialogue for all the participants. It will consist on plenary sessions and thematic workshops.	Outermost regions from FR, PT and ES	300.000,00			300.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-013	Corporate Communication	Commission Decision C(2018)4063 - Corporate Communication Action in 2019-2020 under the Multiannual Financial Framework 2014-2020	Procurement and Grants to serve the Commission's corporate communication	All	4.357.000,00			4.357.000,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-014	CORE & recurrent Communication activities (incl. Temporary reinforcement in intra muros service providers outside KM)	EURegions WEEK including media and young media programmes, media programmes related to other REGIO events, INFORM and other events organisation, Inforegio (website and project databases, ESIF Open Data Platform, REGIOSTARS, outsourced editing and last min translation NB : the budget requested integrates : 1 IM graphic designer, 1 additional intra muros to follow-up on the 2017 and 2018 media call , 1 additional intra muros for the Road Trip Project 2.0 as well as the continuation of the existing 2 intra muros for campaigns until end 2019 (RTP 1.0 and EU delivers in the regions)	Demonstrate and disseminate the EU added value of cohesion policy	All	6.406.000,00	-61.741,00	To action 18 (transfer 001)	6.344.259,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-015	Publications	Printing , on-line referencing & sale + stocking	Inform stakeholders, demonstrate and disseminate the added value of EU cohesion policy	All	400.000,00			400.000,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-016	Knowledge Management (REGIO wiki)	WIKI - Advice on KM, Identification of users needs and users' specifications to A4 for development	Develop further synergies across the DG and across services, gain time and energy across REGIO units and between REGIO services and Cabinet.	All	304.480,00			304.480,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-017	Eurobarometer Flashsurvey	2.5 yearly update measuring, with a representative sample of the EU population, the awareness and perception of the policy	Measure our effectiveness in Demonstrating and disseminating the EU added value of cohesion policy; identifying areas on which our action should concentrate	All	500.000,00			500.000,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-018	Grant to Euronews via Framework Convention DG CONNECT	12 "SMART REGIONS" episodes by Euronews on the model developed in 2018	Production and dissemination of monographies	a selection of 12 projects (EU 28)	300.000,00	61.741,00	From action 14 (transfer 001)	361.741,00	Grant	Communication and publication	95%
2019-019	Grant to EDICs via DG COMM	Grant for EDICs to conduct local dialogs	Interact with citizens at local and regional level	All	800.000,00	-315.500,00	To reserve (005)	484.500,00	Grant	Communication and publication	N/A (lump sums)
2019-020	Road Trip Project 2.0	2nd edition of the Youth Road Trip Project	Demonstrate and disseminate the EU added value of cohesion policy - Target Youth	All	4.000.000,00			4.000.000,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-021	Top-up campaign EU delivers in my Region	Launch information campaign aiming at promoting Cohesion policy. Production of information tools (including AV materials, visuals, printed publications, testimonials of beneficiaries & social media content) and dissemination through purchase of advertising space, events, EU information relays, etc. The action should cover all EU Member states with a particular attention to the net beneficiaries Member States and the Member States hit by the crisis.	In line with the DG REGIO Communication Strategy 2017-2020, these information measures relating to the Cohesion policy aim, in particular: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 EU's 276 regions and the well-being of its citizens, wherever they live; 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased citizens' awareness and support of Cohesion policy. 	All	2.500.000,00			2.500.000,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-022	Active Senior Initiative for former REGIO officials	The Active Senior Initiative launched by DG HR presents the guidelines and provides the legal framework for former officials (receiving a retirement pension) to voluntary assist in unpaid activities for the Commission.	Voluntary assist in unpaid activities for the Commission	All	20.000,00			20.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-023	Experts	This amount aims to cover travel expenses, daily and accommodation allowance in accordance with the Commission Decision on Rules on the reimbursement of expenses incurred by people from outside the Commission invited to attend meetings in an expert capacity	Reimbursement of expert costs	All	440.000,00			440.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-024	Missions	credits for TA missions	credits for TA missions	All	245.000,00			245.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	Missions	

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2019-025	Rencontres annuelles	Catering costs for meetings PRESTO	Catering costs for meetings PRESTO	All	55.000,00			55.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-026	Staff expenditure	Salary for contractual agents, national experts and intérimaire	Salary for contractual agents, national experts and intérimaire	All	4.400.000,00			4.400.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	Staff Expenditure	
2019-027	IT activities (admin)	Intramuros staff (including REGIO's contribution to the common Compass Corporate IT platform for post 2020); IT Material (Laptops, mobile devices, licenses, print-shop, etc.); Intra-muros staff B1 (GIS)	Intramuros staff (including REGIO's contribution to the common Compass Corporate IT platform for post 2020); IT Material (Laptops, mobile devices, licenses, print-shop, etc.); Intra-muros staff B1 (GIS)	All	8.167.000,00	-30.000,00	To action 124 (004)	8.137.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	IT	
2019-028	IT activities (oper)	Intra-muros staff for SFC	Intra-muros staff for SFC	All	914.000,00			914.000,00	Procurement	IT	
2019-029	Delegation to DIGIT (admin)	Hosting/ITIC/contribution to other corporate systems	Hosting/ITIC/contribution to other corporate systems	All	1.599.000,00	-20.000,00	To action 122 (006)	1.579.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	IT	
2019-030	Delegation to DIGIT (oper)	Hosting for SFC	Hosting for SFC	All	398.000,00			398.000,00	Procurement	IT	
2019-031	Delegation to OIB	print-shop OIB	print-shop OIB	All	60.000,00			60.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	IT	
2019-032	IT activities MAPAR	Contribution to MAPAR (EMPL)	Contribution to MAPAR (EMPL)	All	250.000,00			250.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	IT	
2019-033	Sub-national doing business reports	This project will measure the ease of doing business in the last 8 Member States of more than 4 million inhabitants.	A better business environment is critical to boost entrepreneurship and allow SMEs to grow. A better business environment will allow Cohesion Policy programmes to have a bigger and more long lasting impact.	Belgium, Denmark, Germany, France, the Netherlands, Austria, Sweden, Finland	2.930.000,00			2.930.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	100%
2019-034	Public administration diagnostics	This four year project will develop diagnostics of the characteristics and productivity of public administration in five Member States	A better understanding of public administration can help MS to improve. This can be done using EU funding, including Cohesion Policy. It would also strengthen the implementation of Cohesion Policy	A selection of five Member States	1.000.000,00			1.000.000,00	Grant	Study	100%
2019-035	Access to services and migration	This action will fund a number of OECD reports on access to finance and the business environment, access to services and migration	Regional development is heavily linked to the impact of access to finance, to services and migration. These reports will help to diagnose the problems and show the policies developed by different regions in the areas. Cohesion Policy implementation could benefit from these results.	All	1.100.000,00			1.100.000,00	Grant	Study	100%
2019-036	Population and land use modeling	This grant will finance the further development of the LUISA model.	This work will produce projections of population and land use change and will model the territorial impact of various policies. This is will provide key inputs to the Cohesion Reports.	All	1.000.000,00			1.000.000,00	Administrative Agreement	Statistics and Data Collection	
2019-037	Analysing global urbanisation	This grant will finance the production of better global population grids and built-up area detection. This will help to convince the UN Statistical Commission to approve the global definition of cities and settlements which we are developing.	This work will support the joint EU, WB, FAO, UN-Habitat commitment to develop a global definition of cities and settlements. This work will also facilitate exchanges between cities in the world.	Global	1.000.000,00			1.000.000,00	Administrative Agreement	Study	
2019-038	Regional composite indicators and econometrics	This work will analyse the determinants of migration and produce a number of regional composite indicators.	This work will be showcased in our publication series and in the Cohesion Reports.	All	300.000,00			300.000,00	Administrative Agreement	Statistics and Data Collection	
2019-039	GIS data	This will provide access to GIS data such as road networks.	This allows us to do accessibility analysis and other work that underpins the preparation of the negotiations and the Cohesion Report.	All	250.000,00			250.000,00	Procurement	Statistics and Data Collection	
2019-040	City statistics	This grant will support the production of more city level indicators.	The city level indicators will support the Urban Agenda for the EU, the city level programmes and the cohesion report.	All	900.000,00			900.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	90%
2019-041	Poverty data	This grant will support the production of more and better poverty data.	One of the goals of the EU and of Cohesion Policy is to reduce poverty. Better data will allow us to better target and evaluate the impact of our policy.	All	450.000,00			450.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	90%
2019-042	Business demography	This grant will support the production of regional business demography.	This data will allow us to assess and monitor regional business dynamics.	All	400.000,00			400.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	90%
2019-043	Quality of government, fourth edition	This will fund the fourth edition of the regional quality of government indicator.	This allows us to monitor where government quality is improving. This will be included in the next Cohesion Report.	All	1.500.000,00			1.500.000,00	Procurement	Statistics and Data Collection	
2019-044	Regional corruption survey	This will measure both the experience and perceptions of corruption at the regional level.	This will allow us to monitor corruption at the regional level. The results can inform the negotiations and be used in the Cohesion Report.	All	1.650.000,00			1.650.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	100%
2019-045	Short papers and data purchases	This will fund short papers by researches and data purchases to respond to emergent needs.	This will help us to prepare the negotiations and develop the policies.	All	100.000,00			100.000,00	Procurement	Statistics and Data Collection	
2019-046	LFS Time series	This action will fund work by national statistical institutes to maintain an uninterrupted labour force survey time series.	Cohesion Policy relies on many labour force survey indicators for the programme negotiations, monitoring and allocation of funding. A break in the time series would undermine this.	All	500.000,00			500.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	90%
2019-047	Evaluation activities	Implementation of regulatory and strategic required evaluations on specific themes (ex-post 2014-2020, thematic studies and evaluations, meetings with experts)	To evaluate the achievements of Cohesion policy and identify conditions for success or failure in line, inter alia, with the Better Regulation Guidelines	All	2.800.000,00			2.800.000,00	Procurement	Evaluation	
2019-048	Evaluation helpdesk	Assistance and support to all Member States and the unit for all evaluation activities	Provide specific support to improving capacity to administer and implement the funds by improving their evaluation capacity so as to enable them to comply with their evaluation obligations under the CPR and use evaluation to enhance their use of the funds	All	1.200.000,00			1.200.000,00	Procurement	Evaluation	
2019-049	Legal advice services under Framework contract 2014CE16BAT059	Legal analysis of OLAF reports and Article 5(2) cases	Closure of old OLAF cases and old Article 5(2) cases which will facilitate the closure of 1994-99, 2000-06 and 2007-13 programmes.	Germany and Hungary (mainly)	220.000,00			220.000,00	Procurement	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	
2019-050	Ad-hoc expert assistance and advice for audit issues	Advice, guidance notes, participation in meetings concerning audit issues	Better communication and working practices with the MS. Assisting the contracting party with opinion and advice, participation in meetings with Member State and EC representatives to present and clarify audit related topics, assisting in workshop sessions within the Commission and in the Member States. The action contributes by ensuring an optimal use of resources, selecting expertise when needed.	All	50.000,00			50.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	

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2019-051	ARACHNE project (Risk scoring tool)	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 data with publicly available information in order to identify, based on a set of risk indicators, the most risky projects.	The common provisions regulation for 2014-2020 contains 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 fulfil 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. "To ensure sound financial management of the Funds" and more specifically 4.2 "To obtain reasonable assurance that the expenditure declared to the Commission is legal and regular by ensuring that the audit authorities can be relied upon (single audit approach) and by focusing DG resources on identified risks".	The aim of the action is for all Member States though not all are currently using ARACHNE	1.300.000,00			1.300.000,00	Procurement	Audit	
2019-052	Homologues Group Meeting 2019	28th annual meeting of the European financial controllers "Homologues Group" meeting, host country should be confirmed at 27th Homologues meeting to be held 24-25 September 2018.	The "Homologues Group" meeting is intended to enhance the dialogue and improve the co-ordination 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. Presentations will be made by Commission representatives and Member States representatives on subjects that are currently relevant in the Member States Audit Authorities work with the Commission. The objectives of this meeting are sharing and dissemination of best practices amongst Member States. The expected result is better cooperation between Member States and the Commission. This action accordingly contributes to the MP objective 4. "To ensure sound financial management of the Funds" and specifically 4.2 "To obtain reasonable assurance that the expenditure declared to the Commission is legal and regular by ensuring that the audit authorities can be relied upon (single audit approach) and by focusing DG resources on identified risks".	All	250.000,00			250.000,00	Grant	Meetings and Conferences	80%
2019-053	Outsourced audits	Outsourcing of audit work will include on the spot audits and desk review tasks and will generally be covered by the REGIO audit FWC	Assistance to REGIO.C with the execution of audits, controls and related audit activities made up of desk and on-the-spot audit work. The action contributes by ensuring an optimal use of staff resources, selecting the resource and expertise when needed.	All	730.000,00			730.000,00	Procurement	Audit	
2019-054	Audits of Direct grants	The outsourcing by EMPL of ex-post controls of expenditure by grant beneficiaries under the direct management of REGIO	Assistance to REGIO to support the implementation of programmes and to improve efficiency and quality of key internal processes. To contract out audits by EMPL of REGIO direct grants, as there are no internal staff resources available to carry out these audits	All	50.000,00			50.000,00	Procurement	Audit	
2019-055	Revision of the Danube Action Plan	The EUSDR addresses a wide range of issues which are divided among four pillars. The EUSDR Actions are pre-defined in the EUSDR Action Plan aiming at moving "from words to action", by identifying the concrete priorities for the macro-region and responsibilities for the implementation and follow-up of the priorities. The Action Plan includes Actions and Projects, which are to be subject to progress review and update. The first revision process was kicked off by the Bulgarian Presidency in 2018 and will be continued in 2019. External expertise and support is needed.	Support DG REGIO D1 in order to collect, harmonise and compile the technical inputs coming from the priority areas; help DG REGIO D1 prioritising actions and projects in order to streamline the Action Plan. The action will significantly contribute to the development of the Danube Strategy	Danube Region (nine EU Member States and five non-EU countries)	30.000,00			30.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-056	Revision of the Baltic Sea Action Plan	Within its overall responsibility for strategic coordination of the EUSBSR, REGIO.D1 is in the lead for any revision of the EUSBSR and its Action Plan (which is formally a COM SWD, annexed to the Communication on the EUSBSR). Since 2009, the Action Plan has been revised several times. The current version of the Action Plan is dated 20.03.2017. At the National Coordinators Group meeting on 9th February 2018, it was agreed on the need to have an up-to-date EUSBSR Action Plan ready before the programming process for the new financial period starts.	The action contributes to objective 4.2 The objective of the action is to obtain an up-to-date EUSBSR Action Plan ready before the programming process for the new financial period starts. This requires the support of external expertise in the coordination of the process and the revision of the document.	Baltic Sea Region	30.000,00			30.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-057	Euro Access	One of the main challenges for a successful implementation of macro-regional strategies and sea-basin strategies is to make most efficient use of the existing funding instruments. One main obstacle is the complexity of the EU funding world. This is why EuroAccess MacroRegions was put in place. It shall now be extended to sea-basin strategies and outermost regions.	To facilitate implementation of policies and strategies and to translate objectives into concrete actions by providing concrete help on accessing funds.	All	100.000,00			100.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	85%
2019-058	EUSALP Annual Forum	The Region of Lombardia will take over the Rotating Presidency of the European Strategy for the Alpine Region officially in January 2019. The Lombardian government is therefore entrusted with the organization of the 2019 EUSALP Annual Forum. Furthermore, this decision was taken in the framework of the EUSALP General Assembly.	The Annual Forum of the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region is a yearly event that provides the necessary high level political and economic platform that is a prerequisite for a successful implementation of the Strategy. During the days of the Annual Forum the key representatives and actors of the region exchange on current events and also get the opportunity to discuss possible common solutions to the key challenges facing the Strategy.	Alpine Region	250.000,00			250.000,00	Grant	Meetings and Conferences	85%
2019-059	Study on environmental topics in the Danube Region and policy coordination with DG ENV/NEAR	Study on environmental and ecological themes in the framework of MRS and policy coordination with DG NEAR/ENV: close cooperation with ICPDR, Romania and Serbia to maintain water quality and to preserve bio-diversity in the Danube River, to increase administrative capacity of Romanian and Serbian authorities in close cooperation with other Danube countries; implementation of follow-up measures of phase 1;	Contribution in concrete terms of the implementation of Action Plan of the EUSDR and to its objectives 4) to restore and maintain the quality of waters and to 6) to preserve diversity; due to its strong European added value; cross-border cooperation project it directly involves one EU-Member State (RO) and one non-EU Member State (RS) making it relevant for implementation of the Enlargement Negotiations policy. In addition to its cross-border character, this project has basin-wide relevance and thus is also of important contribution to the Eastern Neighbourhood Policy (ENP); contribution of accession process of Serbia in the field of environment	Danube Region	300.000,00			300.000,00	Grant	Study	85%
2019-060	Preparation of the post 2020 period for cooperation with Outermost Regions	With regard to the start of the new funding period in 2021 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 post-2020 period for cooperation with Outermost Regions, including the drafting of respective position papers.	The action contributes to objective 2.1 With regard to the start of the new funding period in 2021 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 post-2020 period for cooperation with Outermost Regions, including the drafting of respective position papers. The outcome will be a position paper for cooperation on Outermost regions for each of the respective programmes.	Amazonia, Caribbean, Indian Ocean, Macaronesia	30.000,00			30.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-061	Preparation of the post 2020 period for MRS and transnational/maritime/interregional cooperation	In regards of the start of the new funding period in 2021 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 MRS and transnational/maritime/interregional cooperation, including the preparation work for respective position papers.	In regards of the start of the new funding period in 2021 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 MRS and transnational/maritime/interregional cooperation, including the preparation work for respective position papers.	All	30.000,00			30.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-062	Input to the preparation of strategic documents for IPA and ENI CBC programmes post 2020	The action aims at getting support and input to the strategic/position document to be used during the negotiations of IPA CBC and ENI CBC programmes post 2020.	Objectives of the action: - to get theoretical input/analysis of the areas of IPA and ENI CBC cooperation, on the socio-economic situation, experience/lessons learnt from the cooperation in the past, recommendation in terms of best potentials for cooperation under the post 2020 thematic priorities for ERDF/cooperation on EU external borders, how to best embed the strategic priorities of the enlargement and neighbourhood policy, macro-regional strategies and other strategic frameworks to the Interreg IPA programmes etc. Milestones of the action will be the inception report for the study covering the elements mentioned above. Through the action, REGIO will have a stronger mandate to negotiate the content of the IPA CBC programmes as well as to interact with other key partners such as DG NEAR or EEAS. The ultimate result will be the final version of the study.	South-East Europe, namely MS neighbouring EU enlargement countries (Hungary, Romania, Greece, Croatia, Bulgaria and Italy) the - Western Balkans and Turkey.	30.000,00			30.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	

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2019-063	Interreg Annual Meeting 2020	This action should cover organisation of the Annual event for Interreg programmes, which will take place in 2020 (exact date and place tbc.).	Sharing most acute implementation issues (and related guidance) as well as good practices with the 88 programmes concerned: networking activities, strategic steering of processes, political commitment (according to Article 51 of regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)	All	300.000,00			300.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-064	Eurobarometer-public survey	At the occasion of Interreg's 25th birthday, a eurobarometer survey was organised specifically towards citizens living in EU border regions. The focus was entirely on border questions : travel to the other side, cross-border activities, levels of trust, perception of certain obstacles, awareness of Interreg, etc. Five years on, the time has come to renew the exercise in order to check whether there has been an evolution and if so, in which direction.	The eurobarometer is organised along the architecture of Cross-Border Cooperation programmes and serves as an indication towards perceived levels of trust and cooperation among border citizens and organisations. A number of Interreg CBC programmes use the results of the 2015 barometer to plan certain types of activities: people-to-people actions, cultural cooperation, awareness-raising events, etc. Some have even used them as baselines in their performance framework.	All	300.000,00			300.000,00	Procurement	Statistics and Data Collection	
2019-065	Conference - Study on missing rail links	In 2018, DG REGIO conducted a Study on cross-border missing rail links. In order to promote the results of the Study and to enhance discussion among stakeholders and relevant authorities, DG REGIO in cooperation with DG MOVE would like to organise a conference outside Brussels.	Main objective is to promote the results of the Study on cross-border missing rail links and to enhance a discussion in the field of cross-border transport. This is one of the actions proposed in the 2017 Communication on Boosting Border Regions.	All	300.000,00			300.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-066	Workshops: Data evidence and Cross-border mechanism	Two workshops to be organised with border stakeholders, one workshop will focus on the newly proposed European Cross-border Mechanism, its main features, use and implementation. Second workshop will focus on cross-border data and evidence.	Fulfil the actions/recommendations outlined in the Communication on Boosting Border Regions.	All	200.000,00			200.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-067	Follow up analysis on the Territorial Impact Assessment	The aim of this action is to analyse the outcomes of the previously conducted work focusing on refining the methodology for territorial impact assessment. The aim is also to identify existing practices in Member States and to explore the possibility of setting up a helpdesk.	The aim is to identify existing practices in Member States and to explore the possibility of setting up a helpdesk. The objective is also to identify a pool of practitioners of TIA to be made available to the Member States.	All	60.000,00			60.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-068	Compendium of typical cases addressed in SOLVIT on CBC specific issues	The aim of this action is to analyse the data on cases and questions presented by citizens to SOLVIT, in order to assess what are the most recurrent types of cross-border specific problems. This will result in a compendium of typical cases and frequent answers.	With the Communication on border regions (Com(2017)534), the Commission committed itself to "further reinforce SOLVIT with the Member States so that more individuals and businesses have their cross-border issues addressed". The knowledge gained from this action would serve that purpose by giving the SOLVIT network a typical knowledge on cross-border related problems, increasing the effectiveness in addressing them. On the other hand, it would give REGIO a more specific knowledge on how are cross-border obstacles clearly perceived by citizens.	All	60.000,00			60.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-069	Study on existing cross-border public transport services	The aim of this action is to conduct a study on existing cross-border public transport services. The action would allow obtaining a detailed overview of existing cross-border public transport systems, including their governance and financing models.	The aim of this action is to conduct a study on existing cross-border public transport services. The Communication on border regions (Com(2017)534), invites MS and regions to "step up their efforts to provide individuals with better quality, more integrated public transport services". In order to support that goal, this action aims at producing an overview of existing cross-border public transport systems, including their governance and financing models. This would serve the purpose of facilitating the appearance of other similar systems.	All	300.000,00			300.000,00	Procurement	Study	
2019-070	Interreg Volunteers Youth	The Interreg Volunteer Youth initiative (IVY) is a part of the broader European Solidarity Corps initiative launched by the European Commission. This initiative offers the possibility to young Europeans aged 18-30 to serve as volunteers in Interreg programmes and projects. The aim is to promote concrete achievements of Interreg programmes and projects.	To ensure the continuation of IVY in 2020. To achieve better results in terms of more matches between volunteers and host organisations. So far, the initiative has been successful and the number of volunteer applications as well as interested host organisations have increased over time. With an additional budget, more volunteers can be selected and contribute to promoting Interreg.	All	800.000,00	-800.000,00	To action 123 (002)	0,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	95%
2019-071	AMI list expert support for the preparation of 2021-2027 programming period in France, Belgium and Luxembourg	expert advice and analysis of available sources on the economic background SWAT and S3 strategies for France Belgium and Luxembourg.	report and map existing sources regarding S3 strategies and provide a status quo of the level of maturity and pertinence.	France, Belgium, Luxembourg (all regions)	120.000,00			120.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-072	AMI list expert support for the preparation of the 2021-2027 programming period in Sweden, Denmark and Ireland (SWOT and S3 strategies)	Expert advice and analysis of available sources on the economic background, SWOT and S3 strategies for Sweden, Denmark and Ireland and, where applicable, its regions	Report and map existing sources regarding the S3 strategies in the Member States and its regions and provide a status quo of the level of maturity and pertinence. Analysis and mapping of existing national sources. MP 2. Develop cohesion policy and establish close links to other EU policies, 2.1 Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020	Sweden (all regions); Denmark (all regions); Ireland (all regions)	60.000,00			60.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-073	Preparation of the post-2020 negotiations- AMI experts on EE, LV and LT	The purpose of the action is to hire three AMI experts in order to prepare negotiations on the post-2020 period. Experts will look into respective countries, namely - Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania (B3) regarding investments under the Policy Objective 1- SMART and its four sub-components - research and innovation; digitalisation; SMEs and skills. One of the experts will also have a coordination function with the aim to coordinate with other two experts on work regarding areas of cooperation in the Baltic region i.e. B3 cooperation.	The objective of the action is to prepare negotiations with the 3B countries. The experts will 1) revise analysis of the challenges and needs of the each of 3B countries as identified by Unit D5 in the Input papers and provide their comments and recommendations; 2) will provide detailed and prescriptive recommendations about the necessary investments to reply to the identified challenges and 3) they will provide recommendations regarding areas of cooperation.	Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania	60.000,00			60.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-074	Preparation for post 2020: guidance for administrative capacity building linked to results and conditions	Administrative capacity building post 2020 will be financed mainly on the basis of results and conditions. Member States are encouraged to develop roadmaps for administrative capacity building. This requires new approaches and knowledge. GEO units and Member States will ask for guidance and good examples. Assistance from experts under this action will offer this guidance and interpretation.	Promote how administrative capacity building not linked to costs can be promoted and implemented (for example roadmaps, Art 32 of CPR). Guidance on defining actions and overall amount to be covered, conditions to be fulfilled/results to be achieved plus timeline, intermediate deliverables to be achieved triggering payments, measurement units, schedule for reimbursement linked to progress, arrangements for verification, adjustment of amounts, where applicable. Output should be practical guidance and interpretation to use the provisions in the new CPR. Existing expertise (e.g. from the WB and OECD) will be taken into account and built in. It also contributes to 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020" .	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	50.000,00			50.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-075	Analysis and good practices of administrative capacity building for beneficiaries	The new Regulations for post 2020 will offer new opportunities for administrative capacity building for beneficiaries; this can be linked for example to the new Article 2.3 (a) of the new ERDF/CF Regulation which formulates that within each of the specific objectives improving " the capacity of programme authorities, and bodies linked to the implementation of the Funds" can be supported. Special attention should be given to local authorities in this context.	Promote how administrative capacity building for beneficiaries can be promoted and implemented (with a particular focus on Art 2.3 (a) of ERDF/CF Regulation). What measures work best for what type of beneficiaries? Which good practices can be identified and what lessons can be drawn from this? Output should be practical guidance on how to design and best use the opportunities offered under the new Regulation. It contributes to objective 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020" .	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	150.000,00			150.000,00	Procurement	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	
2019-076	Workshops and/or studies/analysis on selection of operations and information to beneficiaries	Selection of operations and management verifications are two of the tasks which create the heaviest workload for managing authorities and intermediate bodies in their daily work. They are also key tasks which contribute to the successful strategic orientation and progress in implementation of a programme. The new Regulations for post 2020 specify under Article 67 the specific responsibilities of a managing authority for selection of operations. This action should help via a series of workshops with managing authorities, exchange of information and analysis of good practices identify good selection criteria and procedures applied by Member States in line with the specifications of Article 67 of the new Regulation. How to achieve simplification for beneficiaries would also be included in the scope.	Analyse and promote good selection criteria and procedures, which are clear, transparent and supportive of the beneficiaries, taking into account proportionality and simplification, efficient for managing authorities/intermediate bodies and strategic and effective in line with the objectives of the programme. The action should apply new and innovative ways of disseminating information (e.g. communities of practitioners, networking, workshops) which are clearly targeting the needs of managing authorities/intermediate bodies in MS. The output should be practical and hands on support for the target group. The action will be coordinated with the geographic units concerned and the Unit Better implementation. It contributes to MP objectives 1.3 and 2.1.	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	250.000,00			250.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	

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2019-077	Technical Helpdesk for Competency Framework for management and implementation of the ERDF/CF and its self-assessment tool	The Competency Framework for management and implementation of the ERDF and Cohesion Fund is accompanied by a web-based self-assessment tool. In order to support Member States using the tool, a technical helpdesk is needed. In addition to providing technical support and guidance this function will provide access to the tool to interested administrations, provide necessary updates/improvements of the tool on the basis of feedback from users and the Commission, and if necessary develop additional language versions of the tool.	The objective is to deliver technical support and practical guidance to Member State administrations using the Competency Framework and its web-based self-assessment tool, and to ensure that the tool is user-friendly, available in an adequate number of EU languages and updated/improved as necessary. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds.	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	100.000,00			100.000,00	Procurement	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	
2019-078	Pilot action on frontloading administrative capacity building - Phase 2: Implementation of roadmaps	This is a follow-up action to Phase 1 of the Pilot action on frontloading administrative capacity building that aimed to support 5 pilot managing authorities to develop roadmaps for administrative capacity building. Phase 2 will support the pilot managing authorities to implement certain key actions of the roadmaps. Experiences and lessons learned from Phases 1 and 2 will feed into development of practical guidance for MS on administrative capacity building for the next programming period.	The objective is to gain practical experience on development and implementation of roadmaps for administrative capacity building, a novelty in the proposed Common provisions regulation 2021-2027. The experience gained will feed into practical guidance for Member States. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds as well as to objective 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020"	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	1.500.000,00			1.500.000,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	100%
2019-079	Feasibility/Preparatory study on REGIO-PeerAct, building on the REGIO Communities of Practitioners	Based on experiences of the INTERACT programme and of piloting of the REGIO Communities of Practitioners, the feasibility of launching a support function (REGIO-PeerAct) for managing authorities of regional and national programmes will be explored. REGIO PeerAct would help managing authorities and intermediate bodies to make the best use of ESIF Funds and ensure better spending by capturing and building on experience and expertise of practitioners and promoting peer support. It could also provide an arena for dialogue/exchange between programme practitioners and REGIO staff. This action also includes maintaining and supporting the REGIO Communities of Practitioners that provides opportunities for managing authorities and intermediate bodies to exchange knowledge and find/develop joint solutions to joint problems.	The objective is to analyse the feasibility of setting up a support function (REGIO-PeerAct) for managing authorities of regional and national programmes. Different options on the functioning and operational modes of such a support function (excluding direct management by the Commission) should be explored and analysed. The aim is also to maintain and build on the communities of practitioners that are currently active and working on addressing bottlenecks linked to management and implementation of ESIF, and develop new communities on new topics. Co-design with representatives of managing authorities of proposals/solutions to address challenges by using a policy lab approach will be used on topics like state aid, evaluation, support to beneficiaries, simplification at national/programme level etc. If viable and implemented, the action will contribute to increased professionalization of management of the ERDF and Cohesion Fund. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds.	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	150.000,00			150.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-080	Training for ESIF practitioners	Trainings on topics with high relevance for ESIF. Trainings to take place in Brussels. Topics: 1) State aid; 2) Public procurement; 3) Prevention of fraud and corruption; and 4) Other relevant topics. The action will also include an evaluation of the impact.	The objective is to enhance administrative capacities of key MS bodies (e.g. MAs, IBs, CAs and AAs) on topics with high relevance for the management and implementation of ESIF. Topics to be covered are e.g.: 1) EU State aid rules; 2) EU public procurement rules; 3) prevention of fraud and corruption in EU funded projects and 4) other relevant topics. Attending the trainings should help ESIF practitioners to better understand and apply relevant EU rules. Under this heading, trainings for specific target groups, such as state aid for auditors, can also be organised; as well as networking of ESIF managers for exchange of experience and good practice. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds.	All Member States and regions.	325.000,00			325.000,00	Procurement	Trainings	
2019-081	State aid thematic expert seminars	Continued action: One-day seminar on a specific State Aid topic with high relevance for cohesion policy. Two seminars in Brussels, at non-Commission premises.	The objective of the thematic expert seminars is to disseminate specialised State aid knowledge on particular topics/issues. The topics should be relevant for the implementation of ESIF and address specific State aid questions. The action will include an evaluation of the impact of the actions. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds.	All Member States and regions.	60.000,00			60.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-082	State aid roundtables for good practices for ESIF practitioners	Expert level discussion on specific State aid issues. One day meeting in Brussels.	Expert level discussion of State aid issues with high relevance to ESIF. The objective is to exchange experience and best practices between authorities and experts involved in the implementation of ESIF operations. Selected topics could be new developments (e.g. Commission decisions, judgment by European courts) or issues of practical relevance to all/most Member States (e.g. infrastructure projects, simplified cost option). The outcome of the round tables should provide good practice guidance within the existing State aid framework. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds.	All Member States and regions.	20.000,00			20.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-083	Support for Administrative Capacity building, through pool of experts in the areas of state aid, public procurement, transparency, anti-fraud and anti-corruption	To give assistance and ad hoc advice to national bodies, in order to increase performance in areas of state aid, transparency, anti-fraud and anti-corruption, public procurement of ESIF; the action will target certain Member States, in cooperation and on request of/with DG REGIO Geographical units and the authorities in the Member State. This action could include, for example, direct assistance to national bodies in designing and implementing state aid schemes or individual aid co-financed by ESIF, development of e-procurement strategy for ESIF bodies, developing and implementing preventive anti-fraud measures for ESIF.	To improve performance in areas of state aid, public procurement, transparency, anti-fraud and anti-corruption of the authorities involved in ESIF implementation and PP authorities or beneficiaries in targeted Member State. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds.	All Member States and regions.	150.000,00			150.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-084	Amendment of the Integrity Pact project	Amendment of the on-going Integrity Pact project (Grant Agreement no. 2015CE16BAT098) in order to facilitate better implementation and monitoring of several Integrity Pacts in selected EU Member States	To explore and promote the use of an Integrity Pact (IP) as civil society control mechanism for safeguarding EU funds against fraud and corruption, and as a tool to increase transparency and accountability. The action contributes to the 2018 MP priority objective 1.3 Provide specific support to improving MS's capacity to administer and implement the Funds and to 5. Ensure sound financial management of the funds.	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	750.000,00			750.000,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	100%
2019-085	Capacity building for ESIF authorities, in preparation for post-2020, in the area of open data and enabling conditions for public procurement (pilots in selected MSs)	Action will provide tailored operational and technical support to respective authorities in a few MS (pilots in selected MSs) to comply with post-2020 requirements for ESIF in the area of open data and enabling conditions for public procurement (PP). This will include assistance to put in place effective PP monitoring mechanisms by using the Open Contracting Data Standard (OCDS) - open source TED-compliant global transparency standard; arrangements to make the data and indicators as well as the result of the analysis available to the public through user friendly open data.	Increased capacity of respective authorities in selected MS to comply with post-2020 requirements for ESIF on effective monitoring mechanisms of the public procurement market (enabling conditions for public procurement). The action contributes to objective 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020"	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	450.000,00			450.000,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	100%
2019-086	Strategic procurement pilot projects: phase 2	In line with the adoption of the EU public procurement package (autumn 2017), it is important to translate the priorities of this package to cohesion policy and management of ESIF. Strategic procurement (innovative, green, inclusive) is very relevant for the management of ESIF and can generate better value for money. This project aims to demonstrate how key elements of strategic procurement can easily be integrated in ESIF management. Follow up of the five pilots on strategic procurement that have been implemented by OECD. After finalising the first pilots (summer 2019), we wish to expand to other countries/projects to draw further experience on best practices.	The main objective would be to continue and expand the implementation after the first pilot phase with support to five projects. This would help us draw further lessons on how to implement strategic procurement and what support Member States need, to give us a more solid knowledge base and best practices/tools to share with other Member States. It contributes to objective 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020" .	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	300.000,00			300.000,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	100%
2019-087	Follow up of the conference "Good Governance for Cohesion Policy", held on 24 May 2018	Set up a few dedicated round tables where we discuss with academics and practitioners (active MA's) the key Administrative Capacity building (ACB) challenges post 2020 and how we can address them. The roundtables could take place in a few different MS or Brussels to make sure we get input from a variety of stakeholders.	The main objective would be to gather input on relevant and needed ACB support post 2020. This will help us provide necessary support to MS for the implementation of our funds and the TO's/PO's of cohesion policy.	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	125.000,00			125.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	

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2019-088	Evaluation of TAIEX-REGIO Peer-to-Peer	The TAIEX-REGIO PEER2PEER exchange instrument has been running since March 2015 and will continue until the end of 2020. An evaluation of the instrument is needed before a decision can be taken on its continuation and potential modification in view of the post 2020 programming period.	The main objective would be to evaluate the implementation and the impact of the PEER2PEER exchange instrument. The findings will be used for decision making on a potential continuation and/or modification of the instrument for the post 2020 programming period.	All, with focus on Member States and regions with weaker administrative capacity	75.000,00			75.000,00	Procurement	Evaluation	
2019-089	Analysis of potential new types of governance at Functional Urban Areas level in Romania	The action will identify new models of urban interventions, including the appropriate territorial definition and forms of governance. The action will take as one of its starting points the conclusion of the WB's Magnet Cities Report (2018).	The proposals for new models may be tested in pilot exercises in a couple of selected urban areas, with a view to serve as a model for a more full scale roll out. For this to work, the action must be completed by autumn 2019. Taking as a starting point the WB's report on magnet cities, the action is a pilot project in order to explore the possibilities of the new forms of governance and the associated investment needs at functional urban areas level. The action will be part of the preparation for post-2020 with specific focus on the implementation of integrated territorial investments.	Romania, urban level	500.000,00			500.000,00	Grant	Study	100%
2019-090	Assessment of investment needs of Romania, in preparation for the next programming period 2021-2027	In line with the Board's instruction to put forward actions to prepare the implementation of the post 2020 period, specific support will be to prepare for the next programming cycle. This action will consist of series of expert contracts to provide the GU with analysis and critical assessment of investment needs in Romania. Fact-checking, benchmarking, comparative analysis and other types of analytical work may be requested from the expert in order to support the negotiations process.	This action should contribute indirectly to the MP objectives by extending the knowledge based on results, in particular through more effective data collection and dissemination, evaluations and reporting with a special focus on regional disparities. Such analysis will inform the process of negotiation and preparation of the new programmes for the investment period 2021-2027, especially under PO1, PO2 and PO3. This action will also contribute to MP objective 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020".	Romania	300.000,00			300.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-091	Expert support with regard to the development of environmental projects in the Danube Delta region	The ESIF integrated territorial investments in the Danube Delta (DD) are underpinned by the Danube Delta integrated sustainable development strategy. This action should analyse how to improve the project pipeline and preparation in the field of biodiversity and Natura 2000. It should as well analyse the role played by the relevant environmental authorities in the preparation of projects and the potential among beneficiaries willing and having the capacity to implement environmental projects.	The objective of the action is to identify obstacles and present proposals in view of improving the project pipeline and preparation of investments in the field of biodiversity and Natura 2000. The expert is expected to deliver an analyses of the reasons of lack of environmental projects and propose solutions. The role played by the relevant environmental authorities in the preparation of projects should be analysed, more specifically the Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve administration. The expert will accompany the staff responsible for project preparation in view of accelerating investments and to ensure their quality. Potential beneficiaries willing and having the capacity to implement environmental projects will be identified.	Romania, the Danube Delta region	25.000,00			25.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-092	Expert support with regard to the development of a comprehensive tourism strategy	The ESIF integrated territorial investments in the Danube Delta (DD) are underpinned by the Danube Delta integrated sustainable development strategy. This already existing strategy needs to be completed by a comprehensive tourism strategy that will build on the environmental and multicultural uniqueness of the DD area. The expert should identify the actors that can develop a coherent and comprehensive tourism strategy for the DD and northern Dobrogea and accompany the actors in developing it.	The expert will identify the actors that can develop and implement a comprehensive tourism strategy for the DD region. He/she will accompany the actors in the DD region in developing/writing the strategy and identifying sources of financing. He/she will work with the actors developing the national tourism strategy in order to assure complementarity. The result of the action will be a report presenting a comprehensive tourism strategy, the actors that have the capacity to implement it and the sources of financing.	Romania, the Danube Delta and Northern Dobrogea region	60.000,00			60.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-093	Support to the desk officers in the informal negotiations process with Bulgaria, Croatia and Slovenia for the post-2020 Cohesion Policy programming	This action will consist of a series of expert contracts. Experts will accompany country desks in their analysis and critical assessment of investment needs in Bulgaria, Croatia and Slovenia. Fact-checking, benchmarking, comparative analysis and other types of analytical work may be requested from the expert in order to support the negotiations process.	This action should contribute indirectly to the MP objectives by extending the knowledge based on results, in particular through more effective data collection and dissemination, evaluations and reporting. A better analytical base will help to negotiate more result-oriented programmes, targeting directly the investment needs of Bulgaria, Croatia and Slovenia. This action will contribute to achieving the following policy objectives for Cohesion policy post-2020: 1. Smarter Europe-innovative and smart industrial transformation; 2. Low carbon and greener Europe - clean and fair energy transition, green and blue investments, circular economy, climate adaptation and risk prevention; 3. More connected Europe- mobility and regional ICT connectivity; 5. Europe closer to citizens-sustainable and integrated development of urban, rural and coastal areas through local initiatives. This action will also contribute to MP objective 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020".	Bulgaria, Croatia and Slovenia (also NUTS II and NUTS III level can be concerned with the action)	240.000,00			240.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-094	Support to the desk officers in the informal negotiations process with Hungary for the post-2020 Cohesion Policy programming	This action will consist of a series of expert contracts. Experts will accompany country desks in their analysis and critical assessment of investment needs in Hungary. Fact-checking, benchmarking, comparative analysis and other types of analytical work may be requested from the expert in order to support the negotiations process.	This action should contribute indirectly to the MP objectives by extending the knowledge based on results, in particular through more effective data collection and dissemination, evaluations and reporting. A better analytical base will help to negotiate more result-oriented programmes targeting directly the investment needs of Hungary. This action will contribute to achieving following policy objectives for Cohesion policy post-2020: 1. Smarter Europe-innovative and smart industrial transformation; 2. Low carbon and greener Europe - clean and fair energy transition, green and blue investments, circular economy, climate adaptation and risk prevention; 3. More connected Europe- mobility and regional ICT connectivity; 5. Europe closer to citizens-sustainable and integrated development of urban, rural and coastal areas through local initiatives. This action will also contribute to MP objective 2.1 "Contribute to the preparation of the Commission's proposal for the next MFF and develop a robust regulatory framework for cohesion policy for the period post-2020".	Hungary (also NUTS II and NUTS III level can be concerned with the action)	140.000,00			140.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-095	JASPERS 2019 (Joint Assistance to Support Projects in European Regions) 2014 – 2020 Multiannual Financial Framework	JASPERS (Joint Assistance to Support Projects in European Regions).	JASPERS (Joint Assistance to Support Projects in European Regions) is a technical assistance facility, developed as a partnership between the EC, the EIB and the EBRD (phasing out this year). The EU budget and the EIB provide the bulk of JASPERS resources (80% and 20% respectively), with EBRD phasing out by the end of 2017. JASPERS provides independent advice to beneficiary countries in order to prepare high quality major projects, which will be co-financed by EU funds. JASPERS focuses its support mainly during the preparation phase of projects - from identification to submission of the request for EU grant assistance. This support typically covers cost-benefit analysis, engineering, financial, environmental and procurement issues, review of documentation (such as feasibility studies or grant applications) and advice on compliance with EU regulations. In some cases, advice can be provided up to the start of the construction phase. JASPERS operates to a large extent from the EIB external offices of Bucharest, Vienna, Warsaw and Sofia.	All MS, especially those with major projects - currently 21 MS	36.000.000,00			36.000.000,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	80%
2019-096	Visuals, infographics and memes	Infographics have been gaining popularity and become widely used amongst businesses and organisations. They are a clear, effective and artistic way of presenting information without losing the attention of the viewer. Infographics are used as a powerful tool to allow people to easily digest information through the use of visual data, charts, and statistics. That is why the F3 Unit would like to ask for 100 visuals (infographics, visuals or memes) for 2019. These visuals would be published on the F3 social media channels and they would accompany press releases, news or they would be part of various presentations. We estimate that we need 100 visuals in 2019, they will be mostly in Polish, but also in English and they will target Polish citizens.	Main objectives: to reach attention of the citizens; to communicate in innovative and efficient way; to allow citizens to easily digest information concerning the regional policy; to involve citizens in the discussion on regional policy. This communication activity will support jobs, growth and investment which are the Commission's main political priorities. By informing on regional policy in innovative way, the communication activity could mobilise the potential beneficiaries to use funds so the action will help stimulating investment and creating jobs. One of the main priorities of DG REGIO is to increase the visibility and demonstrating the added-value of cohesion policy across Europe.	This communication activity will focus on Poland (national and regional level).	10.000,00			10.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	

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2019-097	Social media and Internet monitoring tool	Unit F3 has is managing accounts on social media - Twitter and Facebook. Those media channels are used in order to increase the visibility of DG REGIO activities on the ground and bring results of Cohesion Policy closer to citizens. The important role of our presence in Internet is monitoring of activities and communication of our stakeholders (institutions, key beneficiaries, as well as political figures). That monitoring allows us to react instantly in case of fake news, or omission of a role of EU support in key investments in Poland. Therefore we would like to reinforce the monitoring role our social media channels and improve their visibility with a help of a media monitoring tool, customised to our needs. We propose a tool called Brand24 (www.brand24.pl). The tool will allow as to: - Spotting problematic areas, which need immediate attention before they escalate & maximize the potential of positive publicity - Identify influential social media profiles and publishers, - Search through "the noise" of media to find the posts that matter the most, - Analyse hashtag performance for Twitter, Facebook and other platforms. - Receive reports presenting mentions across the web of pre-defined mentions (such as: EU funds, EC, Cohesion Policy, EU in My Region, names of programmes etc.), performance of a hashtag, identification of influencers etc.	Main objectives: to improve performance of our social media accounts and to identify problematic discussions, opinions in media about Cohesion Policy performance, by an innovative approach. The general objective is to reach attention of the citizens and ensure that role of EU support in public investments is known by citizens. This action is in line with one of the main priorities of DG REGIO is to increase the visibility and demonstrating the effectiveness and added-value of cohesion policy across Europe (priority 3 of the TA action plan).	This communication activity will focus on Poland (national and regional level).	10.400,00			10.400,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-098	Comprehensive analysis: assessment, planning and verification of info-promo activities in relation to EU cofinanced project in Poland.	F.3. is planning a comprehensive analysis on communication activities of managing authorities and beneficiaries in Poland. The study foresees 3 actions: 1) assessment 2) planning and 3) verification which require engagement of three types of experts.	Recent experiences of the F3 Unit revealed some weaknesses in the information and promotion activities of the EERF/CF beneficiaries. Therefore we plan to verify the activities which have been developed in the past and from that experience effectively prepare the negotiations of post 2020 and if turns out feasible to implement some improvements into the current system. For that we plan a coherent approach by working with AMI experts which will: assess if the current info-promo activities are in line with the established strategy; check if the ongoing and past activities are/were adequate to the financial resources allocated + advice on future planning; verify if the 'awareness raising' effect of the investments of Cohesion Policy have been attained by the actions implemented.	Focus on Poland (national and regional level).	67.500,00			67.500,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-099	Follow-up of Catching up Regions III – implementation of a scalable financial instrument for energy efficiency, territorial instruments for small and medium-sized cities and communication activities	The action is a continuation of the co-operation with Polish authorities and the World Bank to address structural bottlenecks to development identified in the previous phase of the Catching up Regions Initiative (CRI). It will include three follow-up components: (1) further work on establishing scalable financial instruments for investments in single family buildings. This action gathers international expertise to assist the Polish government to develop further and implement a nation-wide programme for replacement of boilers and thermo-modernisation starting this year. In case of strong demand, the programme may be designed with the engagement of ESIF-EFSI funds. (2) further implementation of innovative territorial instruments in the areas of public transport and healthcare and effective transposition of findings into the post 2020 programmes in Poland (3) production of a short promotional movie about the results of the Catching-up Regions Initiative	The first action implements financial instruments to lever investments of 40-60 bn EUR over 15 years. to address air pollution and energy poverty. The instruments include funding from Structural Funds, national funding, EFSI, EIB, EBRD and World Bank. The investments address air pollution. Poland cities are among the most polluted in Europe and low stack emissions are the main source of pollution. The action is in line with the MP objectives in particular general objectives 1.1, 1.2 and 3.1. The second component continues to implement new territorial instruments in the areas of transport and health care, namely: - new regional transport model for cross-municipality and cross-country routes aiming to ensure shorter transport journeys, rationalization of cost borne by public transport companies, and ultimately higher quality of service; - support for healthcare providers in the implementation of health and social care for the elderly. Both activities aim at development of rules for better cross-sectoral or cross-county coordination between stakeholders. The successful implementation of this component is important in view of new policy objective 5, which puts a stronger focus on territorial tools and gives more flexibility in the design of individual ESIF programmes to better tailor them to specific regional and local needs. This action is in line with the MP objectives, in particular general objectives 2.1 and 4.1. The implementation of the third component will result in a short promotional movie to highlight the results of the Catching-up Regions Initiative at the final conference and citizens' dialogues. The initiative led to some concrete and catchy results that could be shared with a broader public according to general objectives 3.2 Communicate to citizens the results of Cohesion Policy programmes and their contribution to the delivery of Commission political priorities	Poland	850.000,00			850.000,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	100%
2019-100	Catching-up regions Initiative Slovakia - 1) Roll out and 2) Phase 2	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.	The project aims to promote growth and investment in regions that have either experienced several years of negative GDP growth or that despite the efforts made are still at a low level of economic development. This project was already successfully undertaken by two regions in Poland (Swietokrzyskie and Podkarpackie) in 2016 and has proven to be very efficient tool to tackle the bottlenecks of the potential growth of the regions, which gave way to further roll out of the initiative to other regions and countries. The strong asset of the initiative is that it is led by the regions themselves, the local stakeholders, the Member State authorities on both central and regional level, with the expertise and continuous support of the Commission as well as other international stakeholders. Currently (since January 2018), phase 1 of the CuR Initiative is under development in the Presov self-governing region in Slovakia. This is one of the least developed regions in Slovak Republic and the initiative is focused on providing additional support and targeted technical assistance to the competent authorities in implementing their investment strategies/projects in the 2014-2020 programming period with a view to ensure that Cohesion Policy investments achieve their full impact in terms of growth and job creation. For the time being, the pilot phase in Slovakia, Presov region, is in progress and showing some promising developments. Further continuation of the projects and involvement of other least developed regions of Slovakia could help to keep the momentum and to multiply the positive effects obtained in the first phase.	Slovak Republic: 2nd phase = self-governing region of Presov, roll-out = potential candidate could be self-governing region of Banska Bystrica (tbc)	2.000.000,00			2.000.000,00	Grant	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	100%
2019-101	Study on the development and implementation of framework for monitoring and evaluation of Smart Specialisation	Linked to the thematic enabling condition applicable to ERDF - Art 11(1) with a criteria to have monitoring and evaluation tools to measure performance toward the objective of the strategy. Development of a "monitoring/evaluation/knowledge management" for Smart Specialisation will be helpful in this regard.	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.	All	400.000,00			400.000,00	Grant	Study	100%
2019-102	Study on the embedding and development of Global Value Chains in CESEE	In all CESEE economies real GDP per capita improved over the period 2000-16. Among many factors, high FDI inflows was important increasing participation in global value chains attracted by lower labour costs and proximity to more advanced EU economies. However, since 2009, economic growth has slowed down in most of the countries in the region. Looking ahead, accelerating and sustaining convergence in the region will require further efforts to shift from labour-intensive production towards more innovative and technologically advanced production. Further integration into global value chains is crucial for further convergence.	Participation in global value chains (GVCs), the international fragmentation of production, can lead to increased job creation and economic growth. CESEE countries still face challenges in aligning GVCs with their national development strategies. The action should help CESEE member states maximise their participation in GVCs with the objective to generate growth by moving to higher-value-added tasks and by embedding more technology and know-how in all their agriculture, manufacturing, and services. Integrated solutions tailored to country needs will be developed.	CESEE	2.000.000,00			2.000.000,00	Grant	Study	100%

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2019-103	Technology Adoption Survey	While the rapid and wide diffusion on new disruptive technologies that characterizes an industrial revolution is becoming a common phenomenon, adoption, especially on those countries further from the technological frontier, is poorly understood. Without understanding the real extent of technology adoption and the main sources that constrain or enable adoption, it is difficult to design the policies that could lead to new opportunities for less developed member states.	The diffusion of new technologies across firms and between countries play a key role. Less developed member states can harness innovation and technology adoption to boost economic development. However, the absorptive capacity needed to use the new technologies raises the bar for the required enabling environment in terms of information and communication technology (ICT) infrastructure, connectivity, skills, regulatory framework for the data ecosystem, and intellectual property rights. The project will collect data to analyze absorptive capacity and barriers to adoption of new technologies at the firm-level as well as inform on key channels of technology adoption in less developed regions.	Less developed member states	1.000.000,00			1.000.000,00	Grant	Statistics and Data Collection	100%
2019-104	Providing support for environmental and energy transitions for regions and cities	Support to desk officers and regions in the preparation of PO2 for the new programming period.	Support programming in regional transition processes in environment and energy through peerlearning, reviews and support. The results will feed into the preparations of the Cohesion Policy programmes post-2020.	All	2.000.000,00			2.000.000,00	Administrative Agreement	Statistics and Data Collection	
2019-105	Strengthening innovation diffusion	Despite rapide advance of technology in many areas, the translation of new technologies, new management processes into progress in firms remains slow across the EU. Furthermore, Member States and regions continue showing relative disparities in their innovative capacity. Given that innovation diffusion accounts for growing inequality in terms of productivity and convergence of EU regions, it is critical to address this issue.	The objective of the grant is to gain better understanding of main blocks/barriers of innovatoin diffusion at the EU level and in consequence, provide to Managing Authorities a range of tools identifying different innovation diffusion channels related to their smart specialisation strategies.	All	1.000.000,00			1.000.000,00	Grant	Study	100%
2019-106	Managing environmental and energy transitions for regions and cities	Feed into the development of the Commission's approach to regional transition processes, drawing on lessons from academic literature and other OECD member states. The results will be fed into the preparations of the Cohesion Policy programmes post-2020.	Feed into the development of the Commission's approach to regional transition processes, drawing on lessons from academic literature and other OECD member states. The results will be fed into the preparations of the Cohesion Policy programmes post-2020.	All	500.000,00			500.000,00	Grant	Study	100%
2019-107	Interregional partnerships	It is the continuation of the actions announced in the Commission Communication on Smart Specialisation COM(2017)376, 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 is the continuation of the support for partnerships selected in pilots for interregional innovation investments.	The aim is to test approaches to commercialise and scale-up inter-regional innovation projects that have the potential to encourage the development of European value chains. These partnerships have been selected in the framework of the pilot for interregional innovation investments. This work will build on the action plans developed by the partnerships and concrete expertise needed for partnerships to realise portfolio of innovation projects. This will complement the support provided by the S3Platform (financed under administrative agreements from TA and EP pilot actions).	All	1.000.000,00			1.000.000,00	AMI List	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	
2019-108	Smart Regions 2.0 Conference on designing better innovation policies	The new financial perspective is an opportunity to design comprehensive economic transformation strategies based on smart specialisation strategies. The conference will bring regional innovation stakeholders from the EU and beyond to discuss good practices in designing and implementing smart specialisation strategies and get in touch with regions of related smart specialisation areas.	This High-Level Event will highlight the key role of regions in economic development through innovation. Regions are crucial to boost Europe's competitiveness, build a stronger innovation capacity and more effective and faster innovation diffusion across the Union.	All	500.000,00			500.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-109	Smart & sustainable growth: external expertise	Expert's contracts in thematic fields	Support in thematic fields where specific expertise is required to support the programme preparation, implementation, performance audits, review existing strategies and plans, pilot actions, etc. focusing primarily on priorities and actions bringing the greatest added value in relation to smart and sustainable growth (incl. transport).	All	500.000,00			500.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-110	Small studies for policy development	The action is intended to provide the possibility to undertake small studies to support policy development in the area of smart and sustainable growth.	The aim of the action is to provide a thematic evidence basis in relation to innovation, ICT, SMEs, energy efficiency, adaptation, environment and transport.	All	100.000,00			100.000,00	Procurement	Study	
2019-111	Brussel's based Facility for Broadband Competence Offices (BCO)	Running of the Brussel's based Facility for Broadband Competence Offices (BCO) from 2017 until end of 2020.	DG AGRI, DG REGIO and DG CNECT jointly run the Brussel's 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 BCOs 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.	All	300.000,00			300.000,00	Procurement	Technical and other administrative assistance to MS	
2019-112	Preparation for post 2020 - thematic input and analytical support	Different AMI experts will be hired to provide expertise to support the preparation of strategic documents to be better prepared for the next programming period. They would either give thematic input (related to a TO or about specific subjects) or analytical support, in particular on the following topics: Urban (ES): analysis of main bottlenecks in 2014-2020 and proposals to improve programming and implementation in 2020 Climate change adaptation (ES/PT): support the Commission in the context of the future negotiations with the Spanish national and regional authorities for the elaboration and adoption of a Partnership Agreement and national and/or regional programmes for the period post 2020 Energy Transition (ES/PT): analysis of the capabilities and needs of Spanish and Portuguese regions in the field of energy transition ITIs (ES): assess the appropriateness of the use of the ITIs in Spain as delivering instruments for and their contribution to achieve the objectives of the PA, assess the governance mechanisms and identify the dysfunctions RIS 3 : ES (2 experts): mapping of the current implementation of the RIS3 strategy in 4 Spanish regions; identify the alignment of the actions carried out up to date with the main features of the strategy. The results and lessons learned shall be used as well to identify how far/close are the selected regions to fulfil the future enabling condition on smart specialization PT: Mapping and description of the current regional and national governance structures managing the implementation of the RIS3; identification of governance success stories; establish guidelines for the governance structures to improve the effectiveness of their work and of the delivery of the RIS3	To be better prepared for the next programming period the experts will provide thematic input and analytical support for negotiations.	Spain & Portugal	301.400,00			301.400,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-113	Communication event on the results achieved by cohesion policy and presentation of best practices	Present the results achieved by cohesion policy in Spain before the EU elections. Content and format to be agreed with DG COMM and COM representation in ES	Objective: improve communication to the citizens on the results achieved by cohesion policy in Spain also in view of the EU elections This contributes to the MP objectives (section E: external communication activities) 3.2 Communicate to citizens the results of Cohesion Policy programmes and their contribution to the delivery of Commission political priorities	Spain : 1 day event in Madrid	150.000,00			150.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-114	Expertise on solid waste in Greece	The action will evaluate & assess the implementation and delivery of the regional PESDA as well as the national master plan. It will depict through a mapping and a GIS system the existing infrastructures, define gaps and financing needs, identify bottlenecks, make proposals to ensure conformity and speed up project implementation.	The objective is to ensure the efficient use of ESI funds and ensure compliance of Greece with the solid waste directive and avoid further penalties for non-compliance. There should also be a mapping of the existing infrastructure and needs per region. In addition, the circular economy objectives and scope should be addressed and analysed against the implementation on the ground.	Regions in Greece	80.000,00			80.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	

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2019-115	Expertise on waste water in Greece	a) Develop an inventory of networks of constructed and co-financed collecting systems under the Structural Funds for projects under the urban waste water directive and b) study on sludge management With the 2018 TA, thirteen (13) regional master plans on waste water have been developed and adopted as the national master plan. In addition, a methodology to define the so called "C" agglomerations has been produced. Furthermore, the study on the 13 master plans proposes a list of measures to address in a holistic way the compliance of Greece to the requirements of the urban waste water directive. The proposed action aims a) to implement a number of measures indicated in the study as approved by the Greek Ministry of Environment through the Steering Committee set up to this end. In particular, the action in a pilot basis if appropriate will record and depict in a geospatial data base the networks constructed so as to develop an inventory of networks of constructed and co-financed collecting systems; this will allow private connections to be connected to the tertiary and secondary networks b) to conduct in a pilot regional basis a study to explore the most efficient way to handle the wastewater sludge in the country including.	The objective is to set up a) an inventory with a data base accompanied by GIS on the constructed networks co-financed by the structural funds b) deliver a study with concrete proposals to manage the sludge produced.	Regions in Greece	165.000,00			165.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-116	Expert assessment of RIS3 implementation and innovation dissemination in Greece and Cyprus	Hire three AMI list experts for Greece and two for Cyprus in order to advise the Commission's services in the field of the optimal implementation of RIS3 and innovation dissemination in Greece and Cyprus	Greece and Cyprus are struggling in implementing their approved RIS3s and disseminating innovation. The AMI-list experts will be called to provide assistance to the Commission's services in assessing the published or planned to be published calls in these fields in order to make the best use of the available resources and achieving the planned results. Their work will involve as well assessment of the adequate use of research infrastructures, interaction with relevant policies such as the Digital Growth Strategy and delivery methods (financial instruments, grants, etc) Recommendations should be formulated with regard the new period of 2021-2027, in order to better focus the implementation of the RIS3 strategies and digitalisation enabling measures	Greece (national and 13 regions) and Cyprus	200.000,00			200.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-117	Broadband needs in Italy	The analysis will aim at identification of investment needs into broadband in Italy, focusing on gaps and real achievements of the 2014-2020 programming period. In particular, an analysis of white and grey zones, last mile connections and the overall market situation, with special focus on industrial areas and remote areas.	The action will identify a list of needs per region as far as thematic objective 2 is concerned to better structure the programming proposals for 2021-2027 programming period. The expert will identify shortcomings, gaps and weaknesses, both at infrastructural level and market situation. The overall aim will be financial concentration, also with a view at the best fitting investment strategy (e.g. national or regional programmes).	Italy - all regions	24.350,00			24.350,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-118	Reception of migrants in southern Italy	The analysis will collect good practice examples about migration management: from reception to hospitality and administrative issues. The aim of this action is both understanding effective impacts of 2014-2020 ERDF actions and to identify and suggest synergies between European and national funding instruments, at all levels, for a focused investment strategy in post-2020, with relevant impacts.	The expert will assess the results of actions carried out in the 2014-2020 period concerning migration, analysing all financial sources activated in the field, both at the national and EU level (ERDF, ESF, AMIF). The result of the assessment will be a proposal for effective, value-added and focused actions to undertake within a strong strategic approach, including a better coordination between all instruments and the national and regional level, avoiding thus waste of resources and allowing for impact. The expert will be chosen also according to her/his knowledge of the field in other member states	Italy (Mezzogiorno regions)	24.350,00			24.350,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-119	Implementation of RIS3 strategies in Italy: good practices and main difficulties	Assessment of impacts of regional and national RIS3 strategies during 2014-2018 timelapse, with special focus on revisions and preparation of post-2020 ex-ante conditionality for PO1	The contract would consist of a study focusing on major difficulties and best practice examples during the 2014-2020 programming period, as far as ex-ante conditionality 1.1 is concerned. In particular, the work of experts will continue the monitoring of Italian RIS3 strategies carried out during years 2017 and 2018, with a special focus on the revision to be undertaken in 2019 and with a view towards post-2020, enlarging their scope to present TO2 and 3, to suit the requirements of post-2020 rules. The result will be a study including best practice examples to suggest to Italian authorities, as well as an overview of main difficulties during 2014-2020 negotiations to avoid for 2021-2027	Italy: national RIS3 as well as regional documents	58.950,00			58.950,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-120	Assessment of risk prevention needs in Italy for 2021-2027 investment strategy	The analysis will identify the main weaknesses and best practices achieved during implementation of 2014-2020 programming period in Italy, as far as risk prevention and management and adaptation to climate change are concerned.	The aim of the analysis will be a list of concrete proposals for action for each and every regions, focusing on their specific geophysical aspects, hydrogeological challenges and major shortcomings connected with climate change adaptation and risk prevention and management. The experts will carry out the assessment both through desk analysis and meetings with relevant actors, at both regional and national level. Proposals for the best suitable investment strategies, best administrative level for implementation and coordination between different financial instruments at national and EU level.	Italy - all regions	64.050,00			64.050,00	AMI List	Expert contract	
2019-121	Banners to disseminate a project co-financed by the EU	Two Banners on a very visible project co-financed by the ERDF in ES and PT. After identifying 1 best practice for each Country, the aim is to produce a banner to be put in a strategic area where several citizens can see it (airport, railway station or metro station). The banner should be produced with the support of the COM representations in Madrid and Lisbon.	The aim is to improve visibility of cohesion policy in Spain and Portugal. The banner should be designed in such a way to be easy to understand (big photo and short sentences) to show what the ERDF is doing for the citizens. The target should be all citizens and for this reason each banner (one in Madrid and one in Lisbon) should be put in a place where many people pass on a daily basis (ideally railway station or metro station). The support of COM representations is important for the necessary licenses.	Spain (Madrid) and Portugal (Lisbon)	39.926,00			39.926,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-122	Delegation to BUDG	Contribution to ABAC2 (64.000) and DB link (20.000)	Contribution to ABAC2 (64.000) and DB link (20.000)	All	64.000,00	20.000,00	From action 122 (006)	84.000,00	Administrative Autonomy	IT	
2019-123	Preparation of 8th Cohesion Report	This will cover the lay-out and translation of the Cohesion Report.	The cohesion report is published every three years and is a treaty mandated report.	All	0,00	800.000,00	From action 070 (002)	800.000,00	Procurement	Communication and publication	
2019-124	Learning and Development	Organisation of Learning and Development actions, in line with the priorities set out in the annual Strategic Learning and Development Plan	Developing skills and knowledge of DG REGIO staff	All	0,00	30.000,00	From action 027 (004)	30.000,00	Procurement	Trainings	
2019-125	Back-to-back events annex D	Provide logistical support for the European Semester mission, which is organised back to back with the launch events for Cohesion policy programming (i.e. presentation of Annex D).	Provide logistical support for the European Semester mission, which is organised back to back with the launch events for Cohesion policy programming (i.e. presentation of Annex D).	All	0,00	50.000,00	From reserve (005)	50.000,00	Procurement	Meetings and Conferences	
2019-126	Coal regions in transition – analysis of the SME sector and identification of its development potential in the Upper Nitra Region, Slovakia	To provide the Commission with an analysis of the SME sector in the Upper Nitra region including the current state of play of the use of assistance from the ESI Funds, the identification of their development, innovation and job creation potential as a response to the envisaged economic restructuring of the Upper Nitra region. This action should be to review and analyse the SME sector in the Upper Nitra region. This action should not duplicate the work of the JRC study nor of the ongoing SRSS support, but be complementary.	Task 1: Assumption report Task 2: Quantitative and qualitative survey and analysis of the SME sector in the Upper Nitra region Task 3: Identification of key SME sectors and segments with the potential of SMEs for creation of sustainable jobs and provide a set of recommendations for the development of the SME's sector in the Upper Nitra region (final report) Task 2 and Task 3 also include the presentation of the Final report to the main stakeholders and the Commission in a dedicated meeting organised by the consultant (location to be decided).	Slovakia, Upper Nitra region	0,00	45.000,00	From reserve (005)	45.000,00	AMI List	Expert contract	