23rd meeting of the Contact Persons of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF)

Athens
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1. Introduction and adoption of the agenda

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2. **Update on EGF since the last Contact Persons Meeting**

1) Final reports
2) Recoveries
3) Closures
4) Application received
5) Application planned (tour de table)
2. Update on EGF since the last CPM

2.1 Final reports

- 2 final reports received: 2016 cases

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<tr>
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<th>MS</th>
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2. Update on EGF since the last CPM

2.2 Recoveries

- 6 debit notes sent - 2015 & 2016 cases

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<td>TOTAL</td>
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2.3 Closures

- 7 cases wound up – 2014, 2015 & 2016 cases

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2. Update on EGF since the last CPM

2.4 Applications received

- Adopted by the Budgetary Authority and paid:
  - EGF/2018/002 PT/Norte Centro Lisboa Wearing Apparel - October 2018
  - EGF/2018/03 EL/Attica Publishing Activities - December 2018
2. Update on EGF since the last CPM

2.5 Applications planned

Tour de table:
Dear participants, it is your turn. Please indicate which applications are in preparation or in consideration by you.

- Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013 – report to be presented to the EP and the Council every two years

- Focus on:
  - Applications submitted
  - Decisions adopted
  - Actions funded
  - Winding-up of financial contributions made
## Applications received in 2017 and 2018

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<tr>
<th>EGF Reference</th>
<th>Member State</th>
<th>Case</th>
<th>Sector (NACE Rev. 2 division)</th>
<th>Date of application</th>
<th>Art. 4 Intervention criteria</th>
<th>Trade/Crisis</th>
<th>National contribution (in €)</th>
<th>Total EGF contribution (in €)</th>
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<td>EGF/2017/001</td>
<td>ES</td>
<td>Castilla y León Coal Mining</td>
<td>Mining of coal and lignite (5)</td>
<td>14/07/2017</td>
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<td>Trade</td>
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<td>Microsoft</td>
<td>Programming (62)</td>
<td>1/02/2017</td>
<td>4(1)(a)</td>
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<td>Attica Retail</td>
<td>Retail trade (47)</td>
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<td>Goodyear</td>
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<td>Machinery and Equipment (28)</td>
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### Total No. of applications received in 2017 and 2018: 13 (13 adopted)

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<td>Average for 13 applications</td>
<td>2,102.915</td>
<td>3,154.372</td>
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Number of applications by sector

- Wearing apparel (14) - 2
- Retail trade (47) - 2
- Publishing (58) - 1
- Financial service activities (64) - 1
- Machinery and Equipment (28) - 1
- Air transport (51) - 1
- Manufacture of rubber and plastic products (22) - 1
- Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products (26) - 1
- Activities of call centres (82) - 1
- Programming (62) - 1
- Mining of coal and lignite (5) - 1
Number of targeted workers per MS

Total number of targeted workers per MS: 12,896
Average number of targeted workers per MS: 1,290
Total EGF amounts requested per MS

Total EGF amount requested by 10 MS: 41 006 837 €
Average EGF amount requested per MS: 4 100 684 €
### Contributions granted in 2017 and 2018

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<th>EGF Ref.</th>
<th>Case</th>
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<th>Date of signature by BA</th>
<th>Contribution granted (in €, manual entry) (as to Financing Decision)</th>
<th>People targeted (including NEETS)</th>
<th>Number of targeted NEETs</th>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td><strong>10 MS</strong></td>
<td><strong>2017: 7 2018: 8</strong></td>
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# Contributions granted in 2017 and 2018

## Profile of workers targeted

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<th>Number of workers targeted</th>
<th>% of the workers targeted (of all the workers dismissed)</th>
<th>Number of workers Men targeted</th>
<th>Number of workers Women targeted</th>
<th>Sex</th>
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<td>339</td>
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<td>59%</td>
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<td>550</td>
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<td>230</td>
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<th>Age</th>
<th>Men targeted</th>
<th>Women targeted</th>
<th>Age 15-24 targeted</th>
<th>Age 25-54 targeted</th>
<th>Age 55-64 targeted</th>
<th>Age &gt;64 targeted</th>
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<td>18,174</td>
<td>14,517</td>
<td>80%</td>
<td>8,307</td>
<td>6,210</td>
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Results achieved at the end of the EGF implementing period

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<td>Workers reintegrated (% of workers assisted)</td>
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<td>Workers in education/training (% of workers assisted)</td>
<td>419 (2%)</td>
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<td>Workers unemployed or inactive (% of workers assisted)</td>
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<td>1,393 (78%)</td>
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<td>NEETs status N/A (% of NEETs assisted)</td>
<td>94 (5%)</td>
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4. SFC2014 developments and Member States feedbacks

New section in the EGF Final Report module
5. Ex-post evaluation

- Art. 20(1) b) of EGF Regulation

- Planned to start in 2019
  - Preparation (ToR, internal consultations) – Q2
  - Launch call for tender – Q4
  - Award & sign the contract – end December

- Contractor study – by end 2020
- Commission staff working document – by 31/12/2021
6. EC audit findings

- On-the-spot checks on EGF applications carried out by the EC services (DG EMPL, G.1 Unit)

- Legal base:
  Article 21(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013
Recurrent findings identified during the audit visit

- **Management and control findings.**

  Deficiencies regarding the functioning of the managing authority, the certifying authority and the audit authority

- **Financial findings.**
Management and control findings

Verify the correctness of the minimum number of redundancies within the reference period

→ At least 500 redundancies within the reference period is a “condition sine qua non” for the mobilisation of the Fund.
  ✓ Check that this condition is complied with and
  ✓ Keep track of your checks.

→ The number of redundant workers indicated at application stage changes reflect this change in the final report.
Management and control findings

Control arrangements applied by the Audit Authority

→ Lack of system audit on the Management and Control System in place.

→ Lack of second level control checks on the expenditure.
Management and control findings

Insufficient information to the assisted workers on the EGF co-financed measures.

EGF Regulation 2014-2020. Art. 12:
- The applicant Member State shall provide information on and publicise the funded actions.

- Such information shall be addressed to the targeted beneficiaries, local and regional authorities, social partners, the media and the general public.

- Such information shall highlight the role of the Union and ensure that the contribution from the EGF is visible.
Management and control findings

Checks by the Audit Authority and audit opinion done later than the deadline for final report.

- EGF Regulation 2007-2013 did not set a deadline for AA checks, but EGF Regulation 2014-2020 does → Art. 21(2).

- Art. 21(2) sets a deadline for the checks by the AA and its audit opinion, in its reference to Art. 59(5) of the Financial Regulation.

- Deadline for AA checks and audit opinion = dl final report
Financial findings

Art. 7(1)(b) measures have to be linked to the participation in Art. 7(1)(a)/(c) measures

→ A clear audit trail of the link between these two type of measures is needed.
Financial findings

Amounts erroneously declared twice

→ Since human mistakes happen, program your systems in a way it will not allow any double registration of financial data.
Financial findings

Technical Assistance going beyond what is reasonable

→ Low absorption rates triggers high percentages of TA. Keep an eye on the spirit of FAQ 7.4, avoid two digits percentages of TA in the final report
Financial findings

Increase for one or more lines in the budget exceeding 20%

→ Possible, if you let us know beforehand.
7. Data protection - Legal Framework

- General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2016/679
  - Applicable from 25/05/2018
  - MS public administrations, online shopping, travel booking, doctor visits, banks etc.

- Regulation (EU)2018/1725 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001
  - Applicable from 11/12/2018
  - Published Official Journal L295, 21/11/2018, p. 39
“Personal data” – ANY information relating to an:

IDENTIFIED natural person

Information that directly refers to you:
name, surname, address, tel. number, e-mail address etc.

OR

IDENTIFIABLE natural person

Information that could be used to determinate your identity: photos, cookies, IP address etc.
EU institutions obligations to respect the principles of data processing

- Key players: Data Subject – Data Collector - Data Processor – Data Controller
  European Data Protection Supervisor

- Data must be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner
- Data minimalisation – data limited to necessary
- Accuracy of data and kept up to date
- Storage limitation
- Integrity and confidentiality

- Consent (Art.7)–clear affirmative action is required to express the consent, silence or inactive is not valid
  • Meetings, events, workshops etc. (contractors = Data Processors)
  • Consultations, surveys, questionnaires (contractors = Data Processors)
  • Publications and the personal data on the EGF website “How to apply”
It’s time to sign your authorisation form
10:50 – 11:20
8. Commission's role in the ordinary legislative procedure
Legislative procedure after Lisbon

1. Ordinary Legislative Procedure (OLP)
   - >90% of all legislation

2. Special Legislative Procedure
   - Annual budgetary procedure
   - EP Regulations on its own initiative
   - Council Acts (with consultation of Parliament OR consent of Parliament, where Council may act by QMW)
The ordinary legislative procedure (codecision)

In a nutshell...

- Parliament and Council must agree
- 3 possible moments to reach agreement (2009-2014):
  - First reading 86%
  - Second reading 12%
    (including early second reading – 8%)
  - Conciliation and third reading 2%
- Method of negotiations in all cases:
  - informal tripartite meetings ("trilogues")
Second reading

2nd reading

Trilogues

Parliament second reading position

Council second reading position

early 2nd reading agreement

Parliament second reading: Council position approved

Council second reading: Parliament position approved

2nd reading agreement
Conciliation and third reading

3rd reading

Conciliation Committee is convened to reach agreement

Trilogues

Agreement reached in Conciliation Committee

Parliament third reading: joint text approved

Council third reading: joint text approved

3rd reading agreement
Differences between 1st/2nd reading and conciliation with 3rd reading

First and second reading

Responsibility
Parliamentary committee/s

Time limits
1st reading: No time limits
2nd reading: 4 months (max.) for the EP and another 4 months (max.) for the Council

Amendments
YES - tabled to committees and plenary

Majority
1st reading: Simple majority
2nd reading: Absolute majority (at least 376 votes)

Conciliation and third reading

EP Delegation/
Vice-President EP

Max. 3 x 6-8 weeks, of which 6-8 weeks devoted to conciliation

NO - approval or rejection of the joint text as a whole

EP approval of joint text by simple majority in a single vote
Commission’s role in OLP

• Initiative

• Key role in securing early adoption
  • participation in Council and EP work
  • expertise
  • mediator

• Preparation of execution / implementation

• Guardian of the Treaty
Commission’s role: 
Internal decision making

• GRI – Inter Institutional Relations Group
  ✓ Collegiality and collective decision making
  ✓ Information and early warning
  ✓ Prepare endorsement of approach
  ✓ Prepare empowerment of Commissioner responsible

→ GRI Fiche
  • State of play in the negotiations
  • Collegiality empowerment to allow a change of Commission position
The three mandate preparing bodies

Council          Parliament         Commission

COREPER          Committee          GRI
**Interinstitutional negotiations: trilogues**

Any meeting between the 3 institutions:

**EP:** Rappoteur, Shadows, possibly Chair of Committee, Committee Secretariat

**Council:** Char of WG, SG, possibly Chair of Coreper

**Commission:** DG (HoU, Desks; possibly Director), possibly Commissioner, SG

(+Legal Service of each institution as required)
State of play EGF post-2020

**EP:** 1st reading position adopted on 16/01/2019

**Council:** Partial General Approach
→ EPSCO meeting on 15/03/2019

Next step: early second reading – Autumn 2019
9. **EGF post 2020**

MFF legislative proposal

EGF legislative proposal
MFF Regulation

Council

considers several possible scenarios for the EGF:

• to discontinue the EGF
• to continue the EGF inside MFF (as stand-alone fund)
• to continue the EGF outside MFF (as stand-alone fund)

European Parliament

• supports the continuity of all special instruments, as separate stand-alone instruments
Amounts for the EGF

European Parliament

- supports annual ceiling of EUR 200 million for the EGF (however, no annual adjustments)

EESC

- asks COM to raise amounts to EUR 1 billion should the need arise

CoR

- proposes to raise annual maximum amount to EUR 500 million p.a.
Article 1 - future name of fund

European Parliament

- *European Fund for Transition (EFT)*

EESC

- *European Globalisation and Adjustment Fund (EGF)* or another name that would ensure that the „EGF“ acronym could be kept while acknowledging the broadened scope

CoR

- *European Transition Support Fund (ETSF)*
Article 1 - duration of Regulation

- Council proposes to limit duration to the MFF duration
- European Parliament backs Commission proposal (no time limit)
Article 3 - Objectives

- Specific objective to reintegrate displaced workers into sustainable employment backed by EP and Council

- EP and Council propose to add Brexit/change in EU-membership to the list of examples of possible causes
Article 5 - Intervention criteria

- EP proposes lower threshold of 200 dismissals over an extended reference period of 6(a), 9(b), or 9(c) months.

- Council – editorial suggestion “at least” 250.

- CoR proposes to apply a lower threshold of 150 dismissals (and calls for a longer reference period, which should be the same for all possibilities (a), (b), or (c)).
Article 7 - Eligible beneficiaries

• European Parliament proposes to keep NEETs clause post-2020 [CoR warns the acronym NEET would be derogatory]
Article 8 - eligible measures

• EP endorses **mandatory** dissemination of skills required in the digital industrial age and proposes the same for *skills required in a resource-efficient economy*

• Council proposes **a strong recommendation** as regards the dissemination of digital skills

• CoR proposes the inclusion of anticipatory measures

• EP proposes to exclude measures for which the MS are responsible by virtue of national law or collective agreement
Article 14 – co-financing rate

• Council proposes to ensure that no Member State is worse off than in the current period, by introducing a 60%-minimum clause for co-financing (highest ESF+ rate, but minimum 60%)

• EP did not propose a different co-financing rate
Article 16 – mobilisation procedure

- EP in favour of keeping current mobilisation procedure, involving EC proposals, and a full budgetary procedure for each case

- Council backs Commission proposal of streamlined mobilisation procedure
indicators/reporting

- EP strongly backs Commission proposal and calls for a more detailed output indicator (also taking into account years of professional experience)

- Council proposes deletion of indicative targets at application stage, the deletion of the long-term result indicator, the deletion of the beneficiary survey, and suggests a narrower result indicator
10. Communication updates
10.1 Commission communication updates

Social Europe: European Pillar of Social Rights

General communication materials in all languages

- **Leaflets** (Social scoreboard 2018)
- **Posters** (Europe stands for equal opportunities, for social protection and inclusion, for fair working conditions)
- **PP Presentations** (On the 20 principles)
- Links to the Publications Office portal
10.1 Commission communication updates

Social Europe: European Pillar of Social Rights

Materials to be used in social media
- **Visuals** (some of them editable)
- **GIFs**
- **Tool-kit** (with useful tips and addresses)
- **Less than 1 minute videos**
10.1 Commission communication updates

Social Europe: European Pillar of Social Rights

General information and latest news (web page)

Delivering on the European Pillar of Social Rights (web page with information about what the EC is doing to implement the 20 principles)
10.1 Commission communication updates

Social Europe: European Pillar of Social Rights

Contact EMPL-SOCIAL-RIGHTS@ec.europa.eu, for queries about how to use these materials
10.1 Commission communication updates

**EU protects**: DG COMM Corporate communication campaign.

- Target 35+ ambivalent
- Message: EU is protecting its citizens from risks such as: natural catastrophes, cyberattacks, terrorism, economic slowdowns, trafficking, food safety etc.
- Concept based on the idea of “chains of heroes”: people that at different levels (local, national, European) through their work make sure that this high level of protection in the EU is accessible to all citizens.
10.1 Commission communication updates

EU protects

- DG EMPL will have two stories:
  1. fighting poverty and extreme deprivation (examples from FEAD)
  2. helping counteract the negative effects of globalization (examples from EGF).

  Coming from Greece: Supermarket Larissa
  Coming from Estonia: petroleum and chemicals.

- Stories will be online in May.
10.1 Commission communication updates

EU protects

- Examples of videos already in YouTube:
  - How the EU connected experts to treat epilepsy
  - How the EU is combatting radicalization
  - How Europe came together to fight forest fires
  - How Europe shattered a human trafficking ring

- Examples of animated visual stories:
  - How the EU is helping to break the cycle of poverty
10.2 Member State communication activities
11. Forthcoming EGF related events

- Next EGF Contact Persons meeting and Networking Seminar, October 2019
- Update on EGF related events planned in the Member States
12. Any other business

THANK YOU!

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Networking lunch
till 14:00