

# PEIL 2014-2020      ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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<b>ESF Programme for Employability, Inclusion and Learning OP 2014-2020</b>	
<b>Priority Axis:</b>	Technical Assistance
<b>Activity title:</b>	<b>Technical Assistance for the ESF.</b>
<b>Overall Objective:</b>	Implementation of this Operational Programme will give rise to significant intrinsic administration costs over the next Programme period and technical assistance will assist Member States to meet these costs.
<b>Certifying Authority:</b>	ESF Certifying Authority
<b>Managing Authority:</b>	ESF Managing Authority
<b>Intermediate Body :</b>	N/A
<b>Beneficiary Body:</b>	ESF Managing Authority, ESF Certifying Authority, ESF Audit Authority and Implementing Bodies of non-technical assistance activities.

<b>1. CONTEXT/ PROBLEM/ NEED BEING ADDRESSED:</b>
Implementation of this Operational Programme will give rise to significant intrinsic administration costs over the next Programme period and technical assistance will assist Member States to meet these costs.
<b>2. OBJECTIVES OF THE ACTIVITY:</b>
To provide financial support for the administration costs to allow for a successful delivery of the ESF programme.
<b>3. ESF FUNDED ELEMENT OF ACTIVITY:</b>
Funding for this activity will be based on real costs incurred by the bodies involved with administering ESF PEIL 2014-2020 to build appropriate capabilities to enable them to take full advantage of the ESF and to ensure that they have the capability to manage the requirements of the Regulations.
Proof of expenditure as outlined under section 3.3 of the Department of Education and Skills Circular 1/2015, Eligibility Rules for 2014-2020 ESF and YEI is required and, as a general rule, the expenditure must be supported by receipted invoices or accounting documents of equivalent

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probative value.

The Technical Assistance priority will co-fund certain expenses associated under the following headings:

- Preparation, implementation, monitoring and inspection
- Evaluation and studies
- Information and communication

#### 4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF INTERMEDIATE BODY:

N/A

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<b>5. CONTRIBUTION TO HORIZONTAL THEMES</b>	
<b>A. Promotion of Equality between men and women</b>	N/A
<b>B. Promotion of equal opportunities and non-discrimination</b>	N/A
<b>C. Promotion of Social Inclusion</b>	N/A
<b>D. Sustainable Development</b>	N/A

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## 6. INDICATORS and REPORTING

Reporting on the progress of each activity is required for the Annual and YEI Implementation Reports and the Programme Monitoring Committee. This reporting includes information on financial and non-financial indicators.

High level Investment Priority and Priority Axis targets have been set as part of the output and results indicators and performance framework<sup>1</sup> tables included in PEIL 2014-2020. The *ESF co-funded* and *ESF + YEI co-funded tables* below detail the activity level indicators that contribute to the higher level targets in the OP. In order to meet the reporting requirements the data in the table below must be captured and reported for this activity.

Priority 1 (ESF co-funded)				
Outputs and Results Indicator Targets	Measurement Unit	Target Value 2023	Performance Framework Targets	
			Target Value 2018	Target Value 2023
<b>OUTPUTS</b>				
Audit and output	Number of audits per annum	270	N/A	N/A
Number of employees	Number of employees	6	N/A	N/A
Number of meetings per annum	Number of meetings per annum	14	N/A	N/A
Certified Expenditure	€m	10	N/A	N/A
<b>RESULTS</b>				
Audit and output	Number of audits per annum	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of employees	Number of employees	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of meetings per annum	Number of meetings per annum	N/A	N/A	N/A

7. FINANCIAL INPUT	
<b>Budget (€/m.) ESF + National Contribution</b>	€20m
<b>ESF Contribution €m</b>	€10m
<b>ESF Co-Financing %</b>	50%
<b>EU Intervention Field Code</b>	Preparation, implementation, monitoring and inspection: 121 Evaluation and studies: 122 Information and communication :123

<sup>1</sup> Additional information on the application of the performance framework and reserve are set out under Articles 20 to 22 of the CPR 1303/2013

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8. CERTIFICATION ROLES		
Ex-Ante checks by:	Certified Claims Submitted by:	Submitted To:
	ESF Managing Authority, ESF Certifying Authority, ESF Audit Authority and ESF Intermediate Bodies.	ESF Managing Authority DES
ESF Managing Authority DES	ESF Managing Authority DES	ESF Certifying Authority DES
ESF Certifying Authority DES	ESF Certifying Authority DES	European Commission

9. PROJECT SELECTION	
Project Selection Process	No project work as such; selection of services, where necessary, will be by way of competitive tendering and Selection Committee or Managing Authority approval.
Project Selection Criteria	Competitive tendering where applicable will be in line with public procurement requirements.
Composition of Project Selection Committee	Where applicable, requirements will be defined by Managing Authority with approval, where necessary, of Monitoring Committee.

10. PUBLICITY/INFORMATION PLANS	
Publicity/ Information Plans for the Activity	<p>Website, brochures, reports and promotional materials will equally publicise the appropriate funding source in line with national requirements and those of Implementing Regulation (EC) regarding information and publicity measures to be carried out by the Member States concerning assistance from the Structural Funds</p> <p>The following Regulations apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EU Regulation No. 1303/2013 CPR ( Articles 115-117)</li> <li>• Commission Implementing Regulation No. 821/2014 (Articles 3 and 4 and Annex II).</li> </ul>

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