



# **ERDF support for Roma inclusion in the 2014-2020 programming period**

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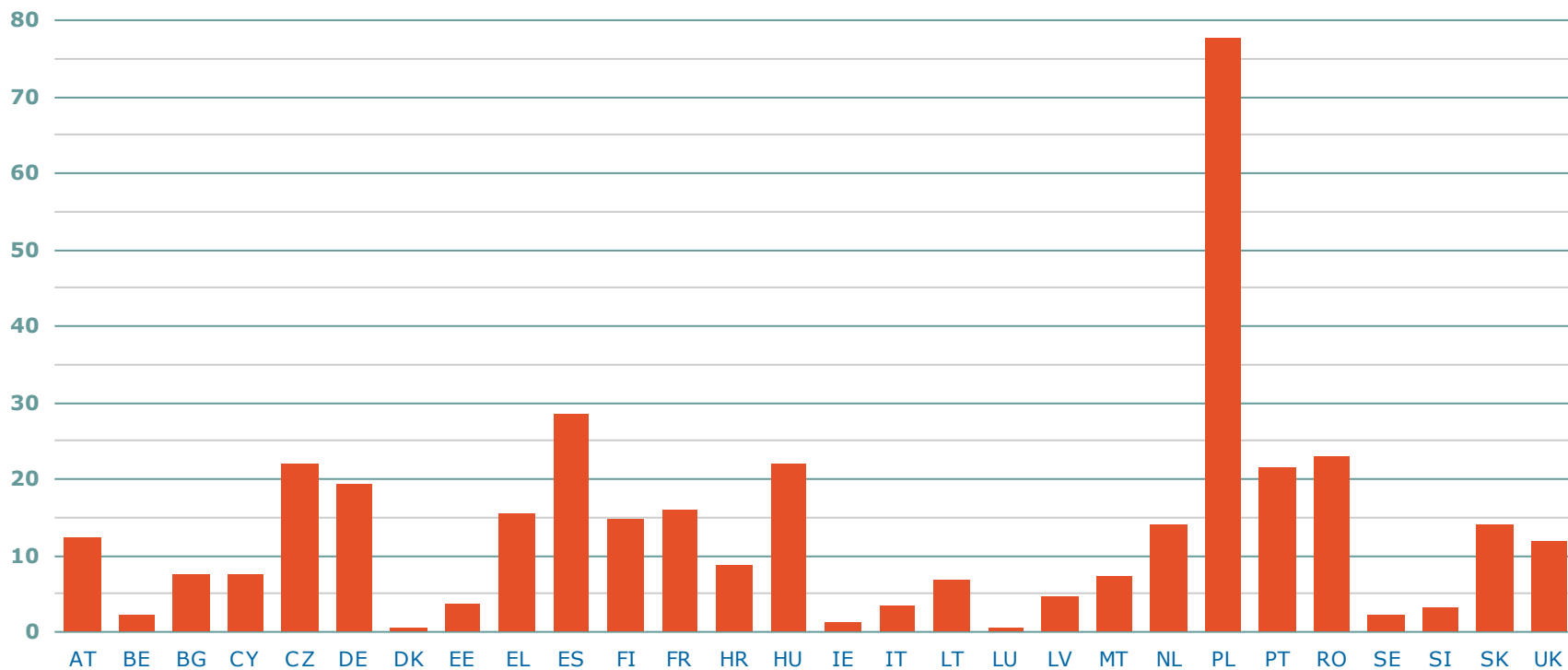
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# Budget allocations per Member State (2014-2020)

Total EU allocations of cohesion policy 2014-2020\* (billion €, current prices)



\* breakdown by category of allocations subject to transfers between categories at the request of the Member States

## Current programming period 2007-2013

- Social infrastructures: education-, health-, childcare-, housing infrastructure (17,9 billion EUR)
- Education infrastructure: childcare, preschool, primary, secondary, tertiary education (8,4 billion EUR)
- **Education and spatial segregation of Roma communities**
- **Sustainability of investments**
  - Non-reformed education, social care, health systems
- **Alignment with the most important trends and needs**
  - Demographic change
  - Territorial inequalities
- **Shift to the community-based care**

# Programming period 2007-2013

- Comprehensive approaches (spatial targeting)
  - **Slovakia – 200 million EUR**
  - **Hungary (micro-regions) – 320 million EUR**
- Housing actions
  - **Modification of the ERDF regulation (2010)**
  - **80 million EUR (SK, HU, CZ, BG, RO, BG, etc.)**

# Thematic objectives 2014-2020

1. Research, technological development and innovation
2. ICT access, use and quality
3. Competitiveness of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SME)
4. Shift towards a low-carbon economy
5. Climate change adaptation, risk prevention and management
6. Environmental protection and resource efficiency
7. Sustainable transport and key network infrastructure
8. Sustainable and Quality Employment and labour mobility
9. **Social inclusion, combating poverty and discrimination**
10. **Education, training for skills and lifelong learning**
11. Institutional capacity and efficiency of public administration

# European Structural and Investment Funds 2014-2020

## Some Key Features

- **Contributing to Europe 2020 strategy and objectives for smart sustainable and inclusive growth**
- **Concentration**
- **Integrated approach**
- **Ex-ante conditionality for effectiveness**
- **Result orientation**
- **Alignment with Country Specific recommendations**

# Programming tools

- Problem analysis
  - Identification and addressing needs of target groups at highest risk of discrimination or social exclusion
  - demographic challenges of regions or specific needs of geographical areas which suffer from severe and permanent natural or demographic....
- Expected results
  - Implementation reports on development of regions facing demographic challenges
- Horizontal principles
  - CPR, Art. 7 - The Member States and the Commission shall take appropriate steps to prevent any discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability....
  - CPR, Art. 96 - ....specific actions to promote equal opportunities and prevent discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability....
  - Addressing demographic challenge.....shrinking population.....ageing society
    - National and/or regional strategies
    - Adequacy and quality of education, training and social support structures
    - Cost effective provision of healthcare and long-term care
  - Actions to .. prevent discrimination ... taking into account the needs of the various target groups at risk of such discrimination ...

# Relevant Ex-ante conditionalities

## General ex-ante conditionality

- **Anti-discrimination**

Administrative capacity for the implementation and application of EU antidiscrimination law and policy in the field of ESI Funds

## Thematic

### Social inclusion, combating poverty and discrimination

- **National strategic policy framework for poverty reduction**

... depending on the identified needs, includes measures for the shift from institutional to community based care.

- **National Roma Integration Strategies**

Territorial concentration beyond the regional level (NUTS3)

### Investing in education, training and vocational training for skills and lifelong learning

- **Early school leaving**



# Position papers

## **Access to quality preschool and primary education**

- SK, HU, BG, RO, CZ (also Country Specific Recommendations)

## **Access to childcare facilities – women employment**

- **Childcare infrastructure**

- BG, RO, CZ, SK, GR, IT, AT

- **Health infrastructure**

- PL, RO, BG, PT, HU, EE, LV, AT, SI, LI
- Reform is a condition for further financing (BG, SK)

# Programming period 2014-2020

## Ongoing negotiations

- **Territorial approach**
  - Slovakia (Roma Atlas)
  - Hungary (micro-regions)
- **Urban approach**
  - Bulgaria – deprived neighbourhoods
  - France – deprived neighbourhoods
- **Education - early childhood services**
  - Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, etc
- Housing
  - Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, France, etc.



**Thank you for your attention!**