



# **Contribution of the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) to the Commission's political priorities**

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# ESIF working together to invest € 454 bn in European economy in 2014-2020

European Regional  
Development Fund  
incl. Interreg  
**€197 billion**

European Social Fund  
**€86 billion**

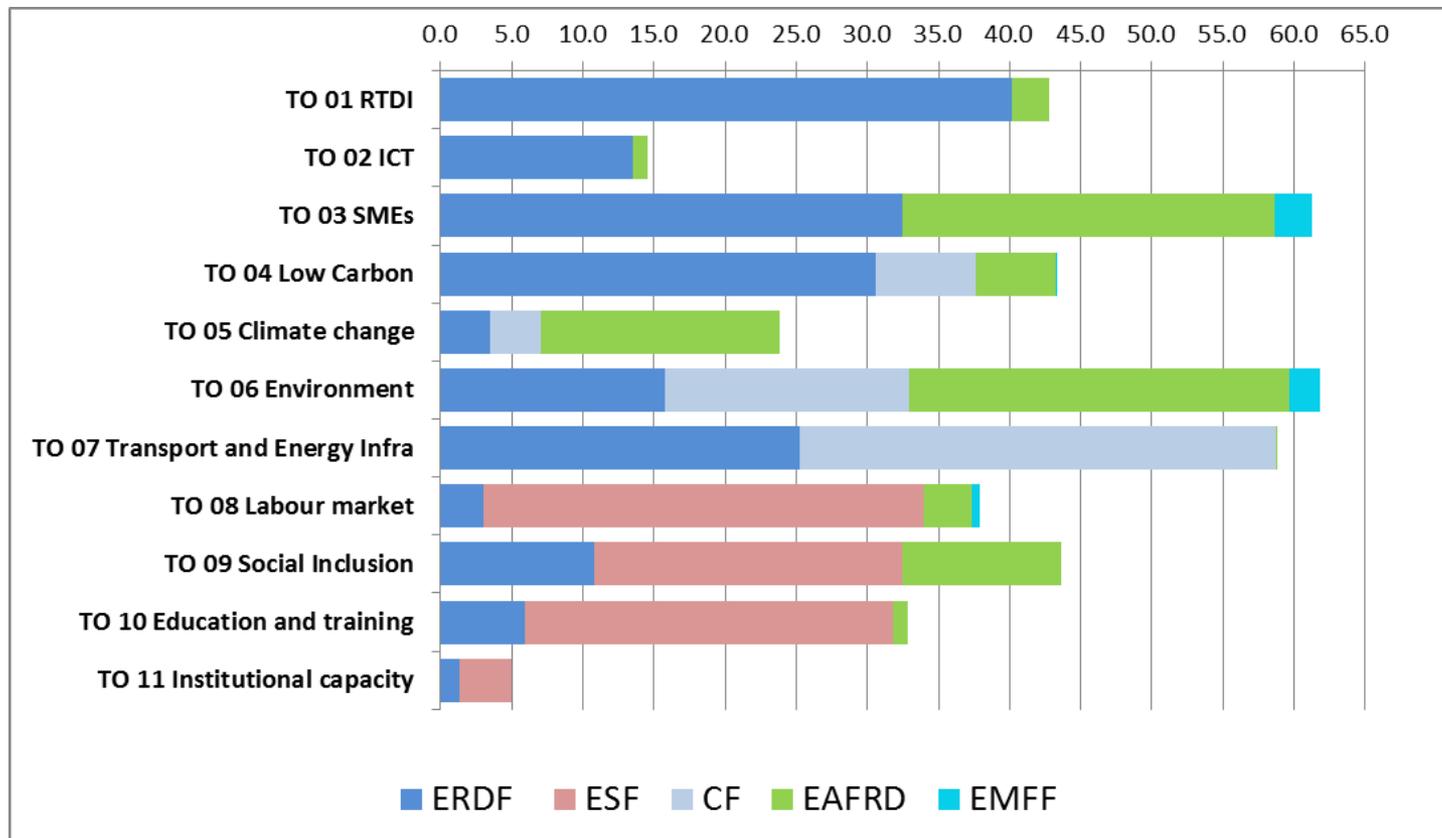
Cohesion Fund  
**€63 billion**

European Agricultural  
Fund for Rural  
Development  
**€99 billion**

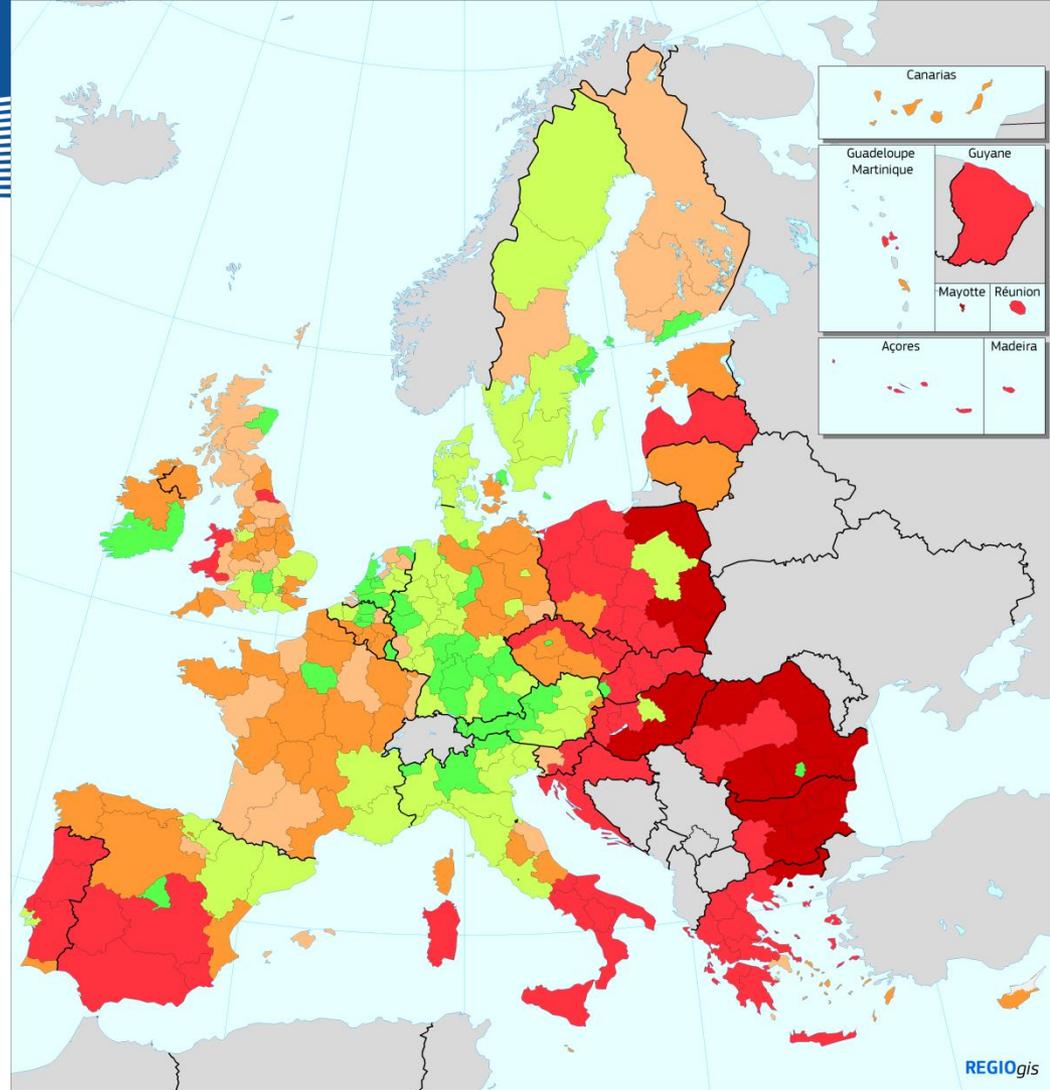
European Maritime &  
Fisheries Fund  
**€5.7 billion**

Youth Employment  
Initiative  
**€3.2 billion**

# Focus of ESIF investments on Commission priorities of jobs and growth

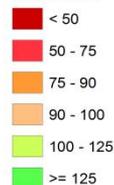


# Main beneficiaries of ESIF investments are located in Southern and Eastern Europe



GDP per head (PPS), 2014

Index, EU28 = 100

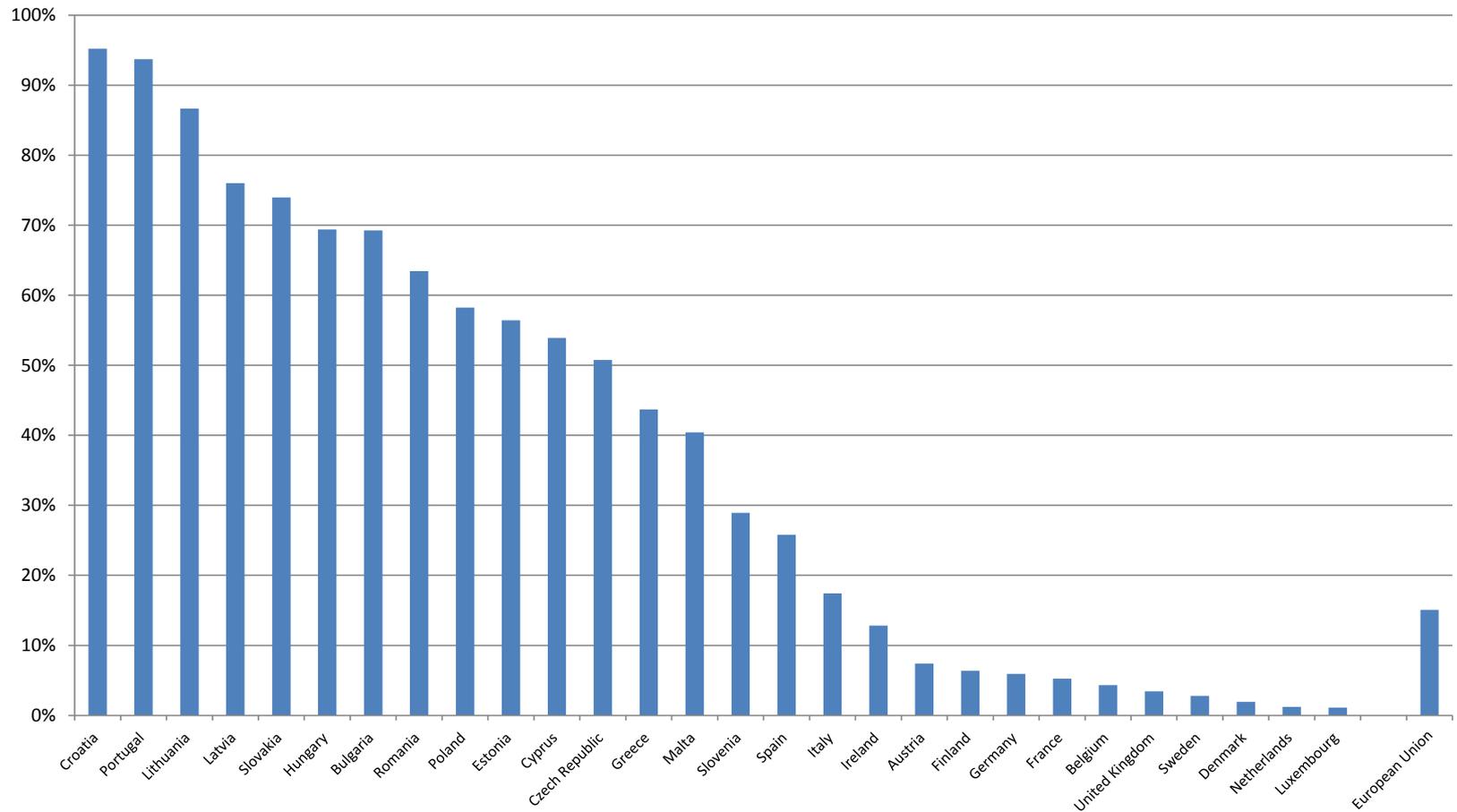


Source: Eurostat

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# Importance of ESIF in public investment

ESIF allocation 2014-2016 as % of public investment



Source: European Commission, DG ECFIN (AMECO database), DG REGIO.

# **ESIF programmes – not only money!**

## **ESIF contribute to delivering relevant Country Specific Recommendations, for example**

- Labour market participation including childcare
- Poverty and social inclusion
- Research and Innovation
- Reform of public administration

## **ESIF contribute to improving investment conditions ('ex-ante conditionalities')**

- Strategic (eg master plan for transport, smart specialisation strategy)
- EU legislation (eg waste management or energy efficiency directive)
- Administrative capacity (eg public procurement, state aid)

# ESIF focus on results and performance

- 14.6 million additional households will have access to high-speed broadband
- 7670 MW of additional renewable energy capacity
- 16.9 million people to benefit from improved wastewater treatment, 12.4 million from improved water supply
- 7515 km of railway lines
- 6.8 million young people will be able to use new or improved childcare or education facilities in EU 15 Member States

# ESIF and migration

Focus on long-term social inclusion and integration into labour market:

- ESF can provide funding for training, language courses, counselling, coaching and vocational training.
- ERDF can invest in social, health, education, and childcare infrastructure, housing and business start-ups. In exceptional circumstances, it may also finance emergency measures such as reception centres, hotspots, mobile hospitals as well as sanitation and water supply.



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# New open data platform

The screenshot shows the homepage of the 'EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL AND INVESTMENT FUNDS DATA' platform. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the European Commission logo and the text 'EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL AND INVESTMENT FUNDS DATA'. Below this, a secondary navigation bar includes links for 'HOME', 'ABOUT', 'EXPLORE EU DATA', 'EXPLORE BY THEME', 'EXPLORE BY COUNTRY', and 'EXPLORE BY FUND'. The main heading reads 'European Structural Investment Funds - explore our data'. Below the heading are four filter buttons: 'EU LEVEL' (blue), 'THEME' (red), 'COUNTRY' (green), and 'FUND' (grey). The page is divided into three columns: 'ABOUT THIS TOOL' (describing access to financing information), 'HOW TO USE THIS TOOL' (explaining data aggregation options), and 'HELPFUL LINKS' (listing ESIF funds like Cohesion Fund, etc.). A large banner below features a coastal town scene with the text 'The European Structural Investment Fund budget 2014-2020 is ... EUR 454 Billion' and a 'EU finances Overview' button. The footer contains a 'Catalogue' section for searching datasets, a 'Contact Us' email address, and a 'Follow Us' section with social media handles and topics.

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