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2. OVERVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME (ARTICLE 50(2) AND 111(3)(A) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)

2.1. Key information on the implementation of the operational programme for the year concerned, including on financial instruments, with relation to the financial and indicator data.

The Southern Regional Assembly has been designated by the Government to be the Managing Authority for the S&E Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020 and is responsible for its preparation and delivery, in accordance with the Common Provisions Regulation. The development of the S&E Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020 involved numerous consultations with relevant stakeholders, from April 2013, which allowed for the drafting of the Operational Programme with the final version submitted to the European Commission on 5th December 2014 xxx[SM1] . The S&E Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020 was adopted by the European Commission on 15th December 2014. This is the first Annual Implementation Report for the Southern & Eastern Regional Operational Programme (OP) for 2014-2020. It reports on the progress achieved under the OP for the years 2014 and 2015. Expenditure under the OP was eligible from 1st January 2014. Good progress has been made in the implementation of most of the Investment Priorities, in particular Investment Priorities 1b and 4c for which outturns to date have been reported ranging from 13% to 76% of the agreed output targets. Other Investment Priorities have not reported any actual achievements to date because they might still be in the planning stage, no projects were approved up to the end of 2015 under the schemes, or some modification of the scheme is foreseen to be carried out due to changed circumstances. Implementation has advanced on aspects of all six priorities. No claims for ERDF co-funding have been declared to the Managing Authority so far by any of the Intermediary Bodies because the Designation Process has not been finalised by end 2015. However, a number of schemes in particular under Priority Axes 1, 3, 4 and 6 (TA) have been operational since 2014-2015 and have incurred expenditure under the S&E ROP 2014-2020. For these priorities, €57.5m in expenditure paid by the body responsible for making payments to beneficiaries can be reported. Advance payments amounting to €12.9m have already been received from the European Commission. For a description of the activities implemented in 2014-2015 for each priority axis, see section 3.1. The S&E ROP does not include any financial instruments. The potential use of financial instruments is kept under review and the programme may use financial instruments, where possible, during implementation. All EACS were fulfilled already at the OP adoption stage.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRIORITY AXIS (ARTICLE 50(2) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)

3.1. Overview of the implementation

ID	Priority axis	Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems
1	Strengthening RTDI in the S&E Region	<p>The overall objectives of this Priority are to increase the level of research taking place in the S&E region with company engagement by supplying applied research and to increase the level of commercialisation of research by the higher education institutions in the region. This priority seeks to build the capacities to develop R&I excellence while promoting centres of competence. It also has a focus on promoting business investment in R&I through developing links and synergies between enterprises, research and development centres and the higher education sector. The priority has been aligned with Ireland's identified priority research areas as set out in the Smart Specialisation Strategy (RIS3). The priority comprises 2 investment priorities (1a & 1b) and includes 5 individual schemes around research centres, marine research, and commercialisation of research. Cumulative public eligible expenditure paid to beneficiaries to end December 2015 is reported as €14m and 8% of the overall allocation to the priority. Except for one scheme included in investment priority 1a (Marine Research), all schemes included in priority 1 are progressing in accordance with agreed targets and reported output indicator achievements range from 13% to 76% of the agreed target values. Overall, achievements are in line with targets and expenditure has been incurred in accordance with the profile. As regards the Marine Research scheme, to date no expenditure or achievements have been reported and the Intermediate Body is currently reviewing the scheme.</p>
2	Information and Communication Technologies	<p>The Priority's objective is to increase the provision of fibre optic links to all un-served settlements in the S&E region. The intervention that will be supported under this Priority is a targeted State led investment providing broadband infrastructure in those areas that will not be covered by the commercial sector. This will facilitate the widespread availability of reliable and guaranteed high speed broadband which is a key component in delivering the objectives of the National Broadband Plan and the National Digital Strategy. In accordance with the targets set out in the Digital Agenda for Europe, the focus of the scheme is on accelerating the roll-out of high speed services.</p> <p>The National Broadband Plan reflects Government objectives to deliver new opportunities for jobs, growth and social inclusion. Furthermore, it aims to underpin and support wider public policy objectives and initiatives both nationally and within the European context. The project was in the planning stage for the duration of 2014-2015. During this time a risk register was kept and any potential issues were identified at an early stage with mitigating actions assigned against. This approach ensured that no issues affected the performance of the programme and the programme milestones were all achieved.</p>
3	SME Support, promotion and capability development	<p>The Entrepreneurship in Micro enterprise scheme is delivered through the 18 Local Enterprise Offices (LEOs) located in the Southern and Eastern region. The specific objective of this priority is to increase employment levels in micro-enterprises in this region by supporting business start-ups, business expansion and higher innovation levels in micro-enterprises operating in high-growth and innovative sectors in particular.</p>

ID	Priority axis	Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems
		<p>A suite of support services are provided by the LEOs to enable existing and start-up microenterprises to increase their capability including management, productivity, ICT, sales and marketing. This suite of measures contributes to job sustainability / growth in existing enterprises in addition to creating new enterprises and employment. LEOs are the first stop shop for anybody in Ireland looking to start develop or grow a business. Some major developments of the LEO project in 2015 include revised financial supports issued in March 2015, the finalisation and/or review of protocols with eight other support providers, and the establishment of a new Youth Entrepreneurship Competition - IBYE programme focusing on Young Entrepreneurship 30 and under. Cumulative public eligible expenditure to end December 2015 is reported as €10 million and 14% of the overall allocation to the priority. Actual achievements were reported against all agreed output indicators in accordance with agreed targets. Overall, implementation of the Entrepreneurship in Microenterprise scheme is well advanced. Achievements are in line with targets and expenditure has been incurred in accordance with the profile.</p>
4	Low Carbon Economy	<p>The overall objective of the Priority is to support the shift towards a low-carbon economy in all sectors in the S&E region. Specific objectives include improving energy efficiency in the housing stock by focusing on supporting energy efficiency, smart energy management and renewable energy use in public infrastructures, including in public buildings, and in the housing sector. Overall, implementation is well advanced with the exception of the apartment scheme which is due to commence in 2017. Achievements are in line with targets and expenditure has been incurred in accordance with the profile. Cumulative public eligible expenditure paid to beneficiaries to end December 2015 is reported as €33 million and 25% of the overall allocation to the priority. Progress under investment priority 4c is in accordance with agreed targets. 56% of the main output indicator has been reported as achieved by the end of 2015.</p> <p>The priority comprises 2 initiatives that are managed by different Intermediate Bodies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Social Housing Retrofit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scheme 1 – Apartments Scheme 2 – Local Authority Houses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measure 1: Insulation Retrofitting Programme. Measure 2: Retrofitting of Vacant Social Housing Stock. 2. Better Energy Warmer Homes Scheme
5	Sustainable Urban Development	<p>Under this theme, local authorities for the designated growth centres in the Southern and Eastern region were invited to submit projects which fit with their integrated strategies to tackle the social, economic, environmental, climate and demographic challenges affecting the urban centres, in accordance with Article 7 of the ERDF Regulation (EU) 1301/2013, and which support the overall development strategy for the urban area concerned.</p> <p>The national launch of the Designated Urban centre Grant Scheme took place in Waterford on the 27th July 2015 with an information briefing being held at the Regional Assembly Headquarters on the 3rd September 2015 for those Local Authorities invited to participate in the Scheme. A deadline for submission of 30th October 2015 was also specified and</p>

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		<p>the Local Authorities were asked to rank their proposals in accordance with specified criteria which they did. An indicative allocation of ERDF funding was also provided to each Authority so as to allow them to further scope their submissions.</p> <p>Following receipt of the sub missions Regional Assembly staff carried out an assessment of each project during November 2015 and presented these to the DUCGS Steering Committee in early December 2015. Some additional information was requested from a number of Authorities and formal approval was granted in January 2016.</p>
6	Technical Assistance	<p>During 2015 the Southern Regional Assembly (SRA), as MA for the S&E ROP, has been engaged in detailed preparatory work with the various Intermediary Bodies and the Department of Public Expenditure on the design of the architecture surrounding the various schema contained within the ROP. Expenditure on these activities was €190,000 (approx.) during the calendar year 2015. Expenditure relating to 2014 activities and which related to closure activities has been reported under the 2007-2013 Regional Operational Programme.</p> <p>Having regard to the recent reconfiguration of regional bodies in Ireland, the Technical Assistance Priority will also cover the approved costs of the Midland and Eastern Regional Assembly in relation to their participation in any of the above activities. The Technical Assistance Priority will cover the appropriate costs of the ERDF Audit Authority, as well as the costs of the management controls undertaken by the Managing Authority.</p> <p>The Programme Monitoring Committee adopted and agreed the Communication's Strategy for the S&E Regional OP 2014-2020 at the 1st meeting of the Monitoring Committee in March 2015, subject to some minor amendments proposed by the EU Commission. Throughout 2015 the Regional Assembly has engaged in a number of communications activities such as the required Major Event, held in Wexford in July 2015 and a number of Study visits to ERDF co-funded projects in December 2015. Regional Assembly staff also gave presentations to a number of outside bodies on ERDF related activities.</p>

3.2. Common and programme specific indicators (Article 50(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Priority axes other than technical assistance

Priority axis	1 - Strengthening RTDI in the S&E Region
Investment Priority	1a - Enhancing research and innovation (R&I) infrastructure and capacities to develop R&I excellence, and promoting centres of competence, in particular those of European interest

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 1 / 1a

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	CO24	Research, innovation: Number of new researchers in supported entities	Full time equivalents	More developed	689.00			174.00			No values were reported for 2014. Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	CO24	Research, innovation: Number of new researchers in supported entities	Full time equivalents	More developed	689.00			174.00			No values were reported for 2014. Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
F	1.1	Number of Awards under the Spokes Programme in the S&E Region	Number of Awards	More developed	25.00			0.00			None of the selected projects have been fully implemented, yet.
S	1.1	Number of Awards under the Spokes Programme in the S&E Region	Number of Awards	More developed	25.00			10.00			No values were reported for 2014. All operations selected have started implementation.
F	1.2	Number of marine research PhDs and Post-Doctoral researchers funded	Number of Researchers	More developed	21.00			0.00			Implementation of the schemes under the Investment Priority have not commenced in 2014-2015.
S	1.2	Number of marine research PhDs and Post-Doctoral researchers funded	Number of Researchers	More developed	21.00			0.00			Implementation of the schemes under the Investment Priority have not commenced in 2014-2015.

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO24	Research, innovation: Number of new researchers in supported entities	0.00		
S	CO24	Research, innovation: Number of new researchers in supported entities	0.00		
F	1.1	Number of Awards under the Spokes Programme in the S&E Region	0.00		
S	1.1	Number of Awards under the Spokes Programme in the S&E Region	0.00		
F	1.2	Number of marine research PhDs and Post-Doctoral researchers funded	0.00		
S	1.2	Number of marine research PhDs and Post-Doctoral researchers funded	0.00		

Priority axis	1 - Strengthening RTDI in the S&E Region
Investment Priority	1a - Enhancing research and innovation (R&I) infrastructure and capacities to develop R&I excellence, and promoting centres of competence, in particular those of European interest
Specific objective	1a - To increase the level of research taking place in the S&E region with Company engagement by supplying applied research.

Table 1: Result indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis and specific objective); applies also to Technical Assistance priority axis

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value 2023	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	Observations
1a.1	Number of industry partners engaged with funded strategic research centres in the S&E region.	Number of enterprises	More developed	529.00	2014	713.00	570.00		

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
1a.1	Number of industry partners engaged with funded strategic research centres in the S&E region.	529.00	

Priority axis	1 - Strengthening RTDI in the S&E Region
Investment Priority	1b - Promoting business investment in R&I, developing links and synergies between enterprises, research and development centres and the higher education sector, in particular promoting investment in product and service development, technology transfer, social innovation, eco-innovation, public service applications, demand stimulation, networking, clusters and open innovation through smart specialisation, and supporting technological and applied research, pilot lines, early product validation actions, advanced manufacturing capabilities and first production, in particular in key enabling technologies and diffusion of general purpose technologies, as well as fostering investment necessary for strengthening the crisis response capacities in health services

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 1 / 1b

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	143.00			13.00			13 of the selected projects have been fully implemented by end 2015.
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	143.00			109.00			Operations selected for which first payments have been made to the beneficiary.
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	143.00			13.00			13 of the selected projects have been fully implemented by end 2015.
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	143.00			109.00			Operations selected for which first payments have been made to the beneficiary.
F	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	Enterprises	More developed	143.00			13.00			13 of the selected projects have been fully implemented by end 2015.
S	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	Enterprises	More developed	143.00			109.00			Operations selected for which first payments have been made to the beneficiary.
F	1.3	Number of commercialisation fund awards	Number of Awards	More developed	325.00			0.00			None of the selected projects have been fully implemented, yet.
S	1.3	Number of commercialisation fund awards	Number of Awards	More developed	325.00			43.00			Operations selected for which first payments have been made to the beneficiary. These are the number of awards which comply with 2014-2020 programme. Of these 43 awards, none had been completed in 2015. All operations selected have started implementation.

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	10.00		
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	56.00		
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	10.00		
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	56.00		
F	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	10.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
S	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	56.00		
F	1.3	Number of commercialisation fund awards	0.00		
S	1.3	Number of commercialisation fund awards	0.00		

Priority axis	1 - Strengthening RTDI in the S&E Region
Investment Priority	1b - Promoting business investment in R&I, developing links and synergies between enterprises, research and development centres and the higher education sector, in particular promoting investment in product and service development, technology transfer, social innovation, eco-innovation, public service applications, demand stimulation, networking, clusters and open innovation through smart specialisation, and supporting technological and applied research, pilot lines, early product validation actions, advanced manufacturing capabilities and first production, in particular in key enabling technologies and diffusion of general purpose technologies, as well as fostering investment necessary for strengthening the crisis response capacities in health services
Specific objective	1b - To increase the level of commercialisation of research by the higher education institutions in the S&E Region

Table 1: Result indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis and specific objective); applies also to Technical Assistance priority axis

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value 2023	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	Observations
1b.1	Annual Number of Licenses as a result of research in S&E Region	Number of Licenses	More developed	24.00	2013	25.00	189.00		Number quoted is licences only and does not include options or agreements from SE institutions. Annual number of licences is the actual number – not net of baseline.

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
1b.1	Annual Number of Licenses as a result of research in S&E Region	80.00	

Priority axis	2 - Information and Communication Technologies
Investment Priority	2a - Extending broadband deployment and the roll-out of high-speed networks and supporting the adoption of emerging technologies and networks for the digital economy

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 2 / 2a

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	CO10	ICT Infrastructure: Additional households with broadband access of at least 30 Mbps	Households	More developed	164,344.00			0.00			The project was in the planning stage for the duration of 2014-2015. Implementation of the project has not commenced, yet. Therefore, no values have been reported to date.
S	CO10	ICT Infrastructure: Additional households with broadband access of at least 30 Mbps	Households	More developed	164,344.00			0.00			The project was in the planning stage for the duration of 2014-2015. Implementation of the project has not commenced, yet. Therefore, no values have been reported to date.

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO10	ICT Infrastructure: Additional households with broadband access of at least 30 Mbps	0.00		
S	CO10	ICT Infrastructure: Additional households with broadband access of at least 30 Mbps	0.00		

Priority axis	2 - Information and Communication Technologies
Investment Priority	2a - Extending broadband deployment and the roll-out of high-speed networks and supporting the adoption of emerging technologies and networks for the digital economy
Specific objective	2a - To increase the provision of fibre optic links to all un-served settlements in the S&E Region

Table 1: Result indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis and specific objective); applies also to Technical Assistance priority axis

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value 2023	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	Observations
2a.2	Settlements with high-speed next generation broadband in the S&E Region	Number of Settlements	More developed	391.00	2014	933.00	391.00		The project was in the planning stage for the duration of 2014-2015. Implementation of the project has not commenced, yet. Therefore, no values have been reported to date.

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
2a.2	Settlements with high-speed next generation broadband in the S&E Region	391.00	

Priority axis	3 - SME Support, promotion and capability development
Investment Priority	3a - Promoting entrepreneurship, in particular by facilitating the economic exploitation of new ideas and fostering the creation of new firms, including through business incubators

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 3 / 3a

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	51,736.00			14,195.00	7,020.00	7,175.00	Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	51,736.00			14,195.00	7,020.00	7,175.00	Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	1,804.00			844.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	1,804.00			844.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	17,770.00			13,104.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	17,770.00			13,104.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
F	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	Enterprises	More developed	2,398.00			561.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	Enterprises	More developed	2,398.00			561.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
F	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	EUR	More developed	13,649,599.00			5,478,158.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	EUR	More developed	13,649,599.00			5,478,158.00			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	5,760.00			1,700.50			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	5,760.00			1,700.50			Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
F	3.1	Number of participants of enterprise training programmes	Number of participants	More developed	105,552.00			24,756.00	11,030.00	13,726.00	Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.
S	3.1	Number of participants of enterprise training programmes	Number of participants	More developed	105,552.00			24,756.00	11,030.00	13,726.00	Operations selected have been fully implemented by the end of 2015.

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	6,793.00		
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	6,793.00		
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	522.00		
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	522.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	6,197.00		
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	6,197.00		
F	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	359.00		
S	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	359.00		
F	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	2,797,411.00		
S	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	2,797,411.00		
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	903.00		
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	903.00		
F	3.1	Number of participants of enterprise training programmes	12,342.00		
S	3.1	Number of participants of enterprise training programmes	12,342.00		

Priority axis	3 - SME Support, promotion and capability development
Investment Priority	3a - Promoting entrepreneurship, in particular by facilitating the economic exploitation of new ideas and fostering the creation of new firms, including through business incubators
Specific objective	3a - To increase employment levels in micro-enterprises in the S&E Region by supporting business start-ups, business expansion and higher innovation levels in micro-enterprises.

Table 1: Result indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis and specific objective); applies also to Technical Assistance priority axis

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value 2023	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	Observations
3a.1	Employment in the micro-enterprise sector in the S&E Region	Full Time Equivalents	More developed	169,866.00	2011	186,852.00	169,866.00		The latest data available from the CSO is for 2012 and states a total of 169,348 FTE employed in micro enterprises in the S&E region. The decrease in the value compared to the 2011 baseline is a result of the decreasing economic activity in the country between 2011 and 2012.

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
3a.1	Employment in the micro-enterprise sector in the S&E Region	169,866.00	

Priority axis	4 - Low Carbon Economy
Investment Priority	4c - Supporting energy efficiency, smart energy management and renewable energy use in public infrastructure, including in public buildings, and in the housing sector

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 4 / 4c

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	CO31	Energy efficiency: Number of households with improved energy consumption classification	Households	More developed	19,497.00			10,870.00			Reported values are a total of output values from both schemes (BEWHS and Social Housing Retrofit) included in the Investment Priority.
S	CO31	Energy efficiency: Number of households with improved energy consumption classification	Households	More developed	19,497.00			10,870.00			Reported values are a total of output values from both schemes (BEWHS and Social Housing Retrofit) included in the Investment Priority.
F	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	Tonnes of CO2eq	More developed	8,945.00			13,052.00			As more households than initially envisaged were included in the scheme in 2014 and 2015 resulting in an improved energy consumption classification per household, the GHG reduction has already exceeded the target value set for 2023.
S	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	Tonnes of CO2eq	More developed	8,945.00			13,052.00			As more households than initially envisaged were included in the scheme in 2014 and 2015 resulting in an improved energy consumption classification per household, the GHG reduction has already exceeded the target value set for 2023.

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO31	Energy efficiency: Number of households with improved energy consumption classification	4,370.00		
S	CO31	Energy efficiency: Number of households with improved energy consumption classification	4,370.00		
F	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	5,409.00		
S	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	5,409.00		

Priority axis	4 - Low Carbon Economy
Investment Priority	4c - Supporting energy efficiency, smart energy management and renewable energy use in public infrastructure, including in public buildings, and in the housing sector
Specific objective	4c - To improve energy efficiency in the housing stock.

Table 1: Result indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis and specific objective); applies also to Technical Assistance priority axis

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value 2023	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	Observations
4c.1	The average thermal performance of housing units in the S&E Region.	KWh/BRm2/year	More developed	210.00	2014	185.00	94.82		SEAI have reporting kWh saved as follows 2014 KWh 6,225; 2015 kWh 9,482; Total to date 15,707kWh. To estimate the kWh/BRm2 SEAI have estimated a factor of 100M2 per home. SEAI have adjusted for comfort taking and are assuming a lower kWh saving than might be expected. SEAI's delivery model changed in 2015 such that all homes now completed under this programme now qualify which is not the case in 2014.

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
4c.1	The average thermal performance of housing units in the S&E Region.	62.25	

Priority axis	5 - Sustainable Urban Development
Investment Priority	4e - Promoting low-carbon strategies for all types of territories, in particular for urban areas, including the promotion of sustainable multimodal urban mobility and mitigation-relevant adaptation measures

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 5 / 4e

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	5.2	Number of multimodal urban mobility projects	Number of Projects	More developed	4.00			0.00			The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2015.
S	5.2	Number of multimodal urban mobility projects	Number of Projects	More developed	4.00			0.00			The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2015.

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	5.2	Number of multimodal urban mobility projects		0.00	
S	5.2	Number of multimodal urban mobility projects		0.00	

Priority axis	5 - Sustainable Urban Development
Investment Priority	4e - Promoting low-carbon strategies for all types of territories, in particular for urban areas, including the promotion of sustainable multimodal urban mobility and mitigation-relevant adaptation measures
Specific objective	4e - To support low carbon sustainable, multimodal urban mobility in designated urban centres

Table 1: Result indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis and specific objective); applies also to Technical Assistance priority axis

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value 2023	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	Observations
4e	Non-private car commuting levels in the designated urban centres.	%	More developed	22.26	2011	42.26	22.26		The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2016.

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
4e	Non-private car commuting levels in the designated urban centres.	22.26	

Priority axis	5 - Sustainable Urban Development
Investment Priority	6e - Taking action to improve the urban environment, to revitalise cities, regenerate and decontaminate brownfield sites (including conversion areas), reduce air pollution and promote noise-reduction measures

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 5 / 6e

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	CO37	Urban Development: Population living in areas with integrated urban development strategies	Persons	More developed	1,571,356.00			0.00			The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2015.
S	CO37	Urban Development: Population living in areas with integrated urban development strategies	Persons	More developed	1,571,356.00			0.00			The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2015.
F	5.1.1	Number of integrated growth centre strategies implemented	Number of Strategies	More developed	9.00			0.00			The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2015.
S	5.1.1	Number of integrated growth centre strategies implemented	Number of Strategies	More developed	9.00			0.00			The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2015.

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO37	Urban Development: Population living in areas with integrated urban development strategies	0.00		
S	CO37	Urban Development: Population living in areas with integrated urban development strategies	0.00		
F	5.1.1	Number of integrated growth centre strategies implemented	0.00		
S	5.1.1	Number of integrated growth centre strategies implemented	0.00		

Priority axis	5 - Sustainable Urban Development
Investment Priority	6e - Taking action to improve the urban environment, to revitalise cities, regenerate and decontaminate brownfield sites (including conversion areas), reduce air pollution and promote noise-reduction measures
Specific objective	6e - To revitalise, regenerate and improve the urban environment in the designated urban centres as part of integrated urban strategies

Table 1: Result indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis and specific objective); applies also to Technical Assistance priority axis

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value 2023	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	Observations
6e	Improvement in the social, economic and physical conditions in selected urban centres, based on an urban development index	index Values	More developed	5.00	2012	5.10	5.00		The projects under this objective were only approved in early 2015.

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
6e	Improvement in the social, economic and physical conditions in selected urban centres, based on an urban development index	5.00	

Priority axes for technical assistance

Table 3A: Common and programme specific output indicators for the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund (by priority axis, investment priority, broken down by category of region for the ERDF) - 6

Priority axis		6 - Technical Assistance									
(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Category of region	Target value (2023) total	Target value (2023) men	Target value (2023) women	2015 Total	2015 Men	2015 Women	Observations
F	6.1	Number of Monitoring Committee meetings	number of meetings		10.00			2.00			
S	6.1	Number of Monitoring Committee meetings	number of meetings		10.00			2.00			
F	6.2	Number of evaluation studies conducted	Number of studies		5.00			0.00			
S	6.2	Number of evaluation studies conducted	Number of studies		5.00			0.00			
F	6.3	Number of annual information and publicity events	Number of events		7.00			1.00			
S	6.3	Number of annual information and publicity events	Number of events		7.00			1.00			
F	6.4	Number of Managing Authority Staff employed	Full time equivalents		4.50			2.00			
S	6.4	Number of Managing Authority Staff employed	Full time equivalents		4.50			2.00			
F	6.5	Number of staff participating in capacity-building measures	Number of staff		30.00			0.00			
S	6.5	Number of staff participating in capacity-building measures	Number of staff		30.00			0.00			
F	6.6	Computerised system in place for data exchange and e-cohesion	System in place		1.00			0.00			
S	6.6	Computerised system in place for data exchange and e-cohesion	System in place		1.00			0.00			
F	6.7	Number of representations on other programme committees for complementarity purposes	Number of representatives		6.00			6.00			
S	6.7	Number of representations on other programme committees for complementarity purposes	Number of representatives		6.00			6.00			

(1) S=Cumulative value — outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value — outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	6.1	Number of Monitoring Committee meetings	1.00		
S	6.1	Number of Monitoring Committee meetings	1.00		
F	6.2	Number of evaluation studies conducted	0.00		
S	6.2	Number of evaluation studies conducted	0.00		
F	6.3	Number of annual information and publicity events	0.00		
S	6.3	Number of annual information and publicity events	0.00		
F	6.4	Number of Managing Authority Staff employed	2.00		
S	6.4	Number of Managing Authority Staff employed	2.00		
F	6.5	Number of staff participating in capacity-building measures	0.00		
S	6.5	Number of staff participating in capacity-building measures	0.00		
F	6.6	Computerised system in place for data exchange and e-cohesion	0.00		
S	6.6	Computerised system in place for data exchange and e-cohesion	0.00		
F	6.7	Number of representations on other programme committees for complementarity purposes	6.00		
S	6.7	Number of representations on other programme committees for complementarity purposes	6.00		

Table 3B: Number of enterprises supported by the operational programme net of multiple support to the same enterprises

Indicator	Number of enterprises supported by OP net of multiple support
CO01 - Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	14,297
CO02 - Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	844
CO04 - Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	13,206
CO05 - Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	663

Table 5: Information on the milestones and targets defined in the performance framework

Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Fund	Category of region	2015 Cum total	2015 Cum men	2015 Cum women	2015 Annual total	2015 Annual total men	2015 Annual total women	
Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Fund	Category of region	2014 Cum total						Observations
Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Fund	Category of region	Milestone for 2018 total	Milestone for 2018 men	Milestone for 2018 women	Final target (2023) total	Final target (2023) men	Final target (2023) women	

3.4 Financial data (Article 50(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Table 6: Financial information at priority axis and programme level

(as set out in Table 1 of Annex II to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1011/2014 (Model for the transmission of financial data))

Priority axis	Fund	Category of region	Calculation basis	Total fund	Co-financing rate	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Proportion of the total allocation covered with selected operations	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	Total eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries to the managing authority	Proportion of the total allocation covered by eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries	Number of operations selected
1	ERDF	More developed	Public	180,000,000.00	50.00%	165,023,522.00	91.68%	165,023,522.00	0.00	0.00%	160
2	ERDF	More developed	Public	60,000,000.00	50.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0
3	ERDF	More developed	Public	69,200,000.00	50.00%	12,781,676.00	18.47%	10,338,552.00	0.00	0.00%	550
4	ERDF	More developed	Public	133,000,000.00	50.00%	48,112,428.00	36.17%	48,112,428.00	0.00	0.00%	36
5	ERDF	More developed	Public	52,000,000.00	50.00%	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0
6	ERDF	More developed	Public	4,018,700.00	50.00%	300,000.00	7.47%	300,000.00	0.00	0.00%	1
Total	ERDF	More developed		498,218,700.00	50.00%	226,217,626.00	45.41%	223,774,502.00	0.00	0.00%	747
Grand total				498,218,700.00	50.00%	226,217,626.00	45.41%	223,774,502.00	0.00	0.00%	747

Table 7: Breakdown of the cumulative financial data by category of intervention for the ERDF, the ESF and the Cohesion Fund (Article 112(1) and (2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013)

Priority axis	Characteristics of expenditure		Categorisation dimensions							Financial data				
	Fund	Category of region	Intervention field	Form of finance	Territorial dimension	Territorial delivery mechanism	Thematic objective dimension	ESF secondary theme	Economic dimension	Location dimension	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	Total eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries to the managing authority	Number of operations selected
1	ERDF	More developed	060	01	01	07	01		24	IE02	141,951,364.00	141,951,364.00	0.00	15
1	ERDF	More developed	062	01	01	07	01		24	IE02	22,247,277.00	22,247,277.00		136
1	ERDF	More developed	062	01	02	07	01		24	IE02	824,881.00	824,881.00		9
2	ERDF	More developed												
3	ERDF	More developed	001	01	01	07	03		24	IE02	4,184,922.00	3,551,065.00		218
3	ERDF	More developed	001	01	02	07	03		24	IE02	6,036,411.00	5,121,321.00		178
3	ERDF	More developed	001	01	03	07	01		24	IE02	2,560,343.00	1,666,166.00		154
4	ERDF	More developed	014	01	01	07	04		24	IE02	36,621,539.00	36,621,539.00		16
4	ERDF	More developed	014	01	02	07	04		24	IE02	11,490,889.00	11,490,889.00		20
5	ERDF	More developed												
6	ERDF	More developed	121	01	01	07				IE02	300,000.00	300,000.00		1

Table 8: The use made of cross-financing

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Use of cross-financing	Priority axis	The amount of EU support envisaged to be used for cross financing based on selected operations (EUR)	As a share of the EU support to the priority axis (%) (3/EU support to priority axis*100)	The amount of EU support used under cross financing based on eligible expenditure declared by the beneficiary to the managing authority (EUR)	As a share of the EU support to the priority axis (%) (5/EU support to priority axis*100)

Table 9: Cost of operations implemented outside the programme area (the ERDF and the Cohesion Fund under the Investment for growth and jobs goal)

1	2	3	4	5
Priority axis	The amount of EU support envisaged to be used for operations implemented outside the programme area based on selected operations (EUR)	As a share of the EU support to the priority axis at the time of adoption of the programme (%) (2/EU support to priority axis at the time of adoption of the programme*100)	The amount of EU support in operations implemented outside the programme area based on eligible expenditure declared by the beneficiary to the managing authority (EUR)	As a share of the EU support to the priority axis at the time of adoption of the programme (%) (4/EU support to priority axis at the time of adoption of the programme*100)

Table 10: Expenditure incurred outside the Union (ESF)

The amount of expenditure envisaged to be incurred outside the Union under thematic objectives 8 and 10 based on selected operations (EUR)	Share of the total financial allocation (Union and national contribution) to the ESF programme or the ESF part of a multi-fund programme (%) (1/total financial allocation (Union and national contribution) to the ESF programme or the ESF part of a multi-fund programme*100)	Eligible expenditure incurred outside the Union declared by the beneficiary to the managing authority (EUR)	Share of the total financial allocation (Union and national contribution) to the ESF programme or the ESF part of a multi-fund programme (%) (3/total financial allocation (Union and national contribution) to the ESF programme or the ESF part of a multi-fund programme*100)

4. SYNTHESIS OF THE EVALUATIONS

Synthesis of the findings of all evaluations of the programme that have become available during the previous financial year, with reference of name and reference period of the evaluation reports used

No evaluations have been carried out so far as part of the implementation of the Southern & Eastern Regional Operational Programme 2014-2020. In accordance with Article 56 of the Common Provisions Regulation, an evaluation plan was drawn up by the Managing Authority. In accordance with Article 114 of the Common Provisions Regulation the Evaluation plan was approved by the Programme Monitoring Committee by written procedure in November 2015. The plan was submitted and subsequently adopted by the OP Monitoring Committee in December 2015.

Name	Fund	From month	From year	To month	To year	Type of evaluation	Thematic objective	Topic	Findings
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6 ISSUES AFFECTING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PROGRAMME AND MEASURES TAKEN (ARTICLE 50(2) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)

(a) Issues which affect the performance of the programme and the measures taken

No significant problems have been encountered by the Intermediate Bodies in the implementation of their schemes in 2014 and 2015. Some of the schemes have experienced some delays and have reported to the Managing Authority on revised timeframes and conditions that have changed since the preparation of the Regional Operational Programme. The Managing Authority has been in regular discussions with the relevant Intermediate Bodies to discuss changes to be made on a case by case basis. For example, to date, no expenditure or achievements have been reported by the Marine Research Programme (part of Investment Priority 1a) because following a meeting held in the Marine Institute in October 2015 to discuss the financial management arrangements for the ERDF co-funded programmes 2014-2020 it was decided that the Networking Initiative would not be a suitable initiative for ERDF co-funding and it was decided that the Marine Institute would review the situation in 2016 with a view to selecting other initiatives that may be eligible. A revised Implementation Plan will be required for the scheme once the modifications will have been agreed. Another example is Investment Priority 2a. The Investment Priority consists of one major project which was in the planning stage for the duration of 2014-2015. During this time a risk register was kept and any potential issues were identified at an early stage with mitigating actions assigned against. This approach ensured that no issues affected the performance of the programme and the programme milestones were all achieved.

(b) An assessment of whether progress made towards targets is sufficient to ensure their fulfilment, indicating any remedial actions taken or planned, where appropriate.

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7. CITIZEN'S SUMMARY

A citizen's summary of the contents of the annual and the final implementation reports shall be made public and uploaded as a separate file in the form of annex to the annual and the final implementation report

You can upload/find the Citizen's summary under General > Documents in the SFC2014 application

8. REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

9. OPTIONAL FOR THE REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED IN 2016, NOT APPLICABLE TO OTHER LIGHT REPORTS: ACTIONS TAKEN TO FULFILL EX-ANTE CONDITIONALITIES

Table 14: Actions taken to fulfil applicable general ex-ante conditionalities

General ex-ante conditionality	Criteria not fulfilled	Actions taken	Deadline	Bodies responsible	Action completed by the deadline	Criteria fulfilled	Expected date for full implementation of remaining actions	Commentary
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Table 15: Actions taken to fulfil applicable thematic ex-ante conditionalities

General ex-ante conditionality	Criteria not fulfilled	Actions taken	Deadline	Bodies responsible	Action completed by the deadline	Criteria fulfilled	Expected date for full implementation of remaining actions	Commentary
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10. PROGRESS IN PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MAJOR PROJECTS AND JOINT ACTION PLANS (ARTICLE 101(H) AND 111(3) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)

10.1. Major projects

Table 12: Major projects

Project	CCI	Status of MP	Total investments	Total eligible costs	Planned notification submission date	Date of tacit agreement / approval by Commission	Planned start of implementation (year, quarter)	Planned completion date	Priority Axis / Investment priorities	Current state of realisation — financial progress (% of expenditure certified to Commission compared to total eligible cost)	Current state of realisation — physical progress Main implementation stage of the project	Main outputs	Date of signature of first works contract	Observations
National Broadband Plan		Planned for notification/submission to EC	275,000,000.00	30,000,000.00	2017, Q1		2017, Q1	2018, Q4		0.00	Procurement	State led Intervention under the National Broadband Plan providing for broadband accessibility to all areas		No major project submitted, yet, the OP will contribute to the National Broadband Plan.

Significant problems encountered in implementing major projects and measures taken to overcome them

No significant problems have been encountered so far. The project is still in the planning phase and no major project notification has been made so far.

Any change planned in the list of major projects in the operational programme

No change is planned in the list of major projects in the OP.

10.2. Joint action plans

Progress in the implementation of different stages of joint action plans

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Table 13: Joint action plans (JAP)

Title of the JAP	CCI	Stage of implementation of JAP	Total eligible costs	Total public support	OP contribution to JAP	Priority axis	Type of JAP	[Planned] submission to the Commission	[Planned] start of implementation	[Planned] completion	Main outputs and results	Total eligible expenditure certified to the Commission	Observations
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Significant problems encountered and measures taken to overcome them

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PART B

**REPORTING SUBMITTED IN YEARS 2017, 2019 AND FINAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT
(Article 50(4), 111(3) and (4) of regulation (EU) No 1303/2013**

**11. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME
(ARTICLES 50(4) AND 111(4) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)**

11.1. Information in Part A and achieving objectives of the programme (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Priority axis	1 - Strengthening RTDI in the S&E Region
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Priority axis	2 - Information and Communication Technologies
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Priority axis	3 - SME Support, promotion and capability development
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Priority axis	4 - Low Carbon Economy
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Priority axis	5 - Sustainable Urban Development
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Priority axis	6 - Technical Assistance
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11.2. Specific actions taken to promote equality between men and women and to prevent discrimination, in particular accessibility for persons with disabilities, and the arrangements implemented to ensure the integration of the gender perspective in the operational programme and operations (Articles 50(4) and 111(4), second subparagraph, (e) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

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11.3. Sustainable development (Articles 50(4) and 111(4), second subparagraph, (f) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

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11.4. Reporting on support used for climate change objectives (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Priority	Amount of support to be used for climate	Proportion of total allocation to the
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axis	change objectives (EUR)	operational programme (%)
4	24,056,214.00	36.17%
Total	24,056,214.00	9.66%

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11.5. Role of partners in the implementation of the programme

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12. OBLIGATORY INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 111(4), FIRST SUBPARAGRAPH, (A) AND (B), OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013

12.1. Progress in implementation of the evaluation plan and the follow-up given to the findings of evaluations

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Status	Name	Fund	Year of finalizing evaluation	Type of evaluation	Thematic objective	Topic	Findings (in case of executed)	Follow up (in case of executed)
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12.2. The results of the information and publicity measures of the Funds carried out under the communication strategy

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13. ACTIONS TAKEN TO FULFILL EX-ANTE CONDITIONALITIES (ARTICLE 50(4) OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013) (MAY BE INCLUDED IN REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED IN 2016 (SEE POINT 9 ABOVE). REQUIRED IN REPORT SUBMITTED IN 2017) OPTION: PROGRESS REPORT

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE ADDED DEPENDING ON THE CONTENT AND OBJECTIVES OF THE OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME (ARTICLE 111(4), SECOND SUBPARAGRAPH, (A), (B), (C), (D), (G) AND (H), OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)

14.1. Progress in the implementation of the integrated approach to territorial development, including development of regions facing demographic challenges and permanent or natural handicaps, integrated territorial investments, sustainable urban development, and community led local development under the operational programme

14.2. Progress in the implementation of actions to reinforce the capacity of Member State authorities and beneficiaries to administer and use the Funds

14.3. Progress in the implementation of any interregional and transnational actions

14.4. Where appropriate, the contribution to macro-regional and sea basin strategies

As stipulated by the Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, article 27(3) on the "content of programmes", article 96(3)(e) on the "content, adoption and amendment of operational programmes under the Investment for growth and jobs goal", article 111(3), article 111(4)(d) on "implementation reports for the Investment for growth and jobs goal", and Annex 1, section 7.3 on "contribution of mainstream programmes to macro-regional and sea-basin strategies, this programme contributes to MRS(s) and/or SBS:

14.5. Progress in the implementation of actions in the field of social innovation, where appropriate

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14.6. Progress in the implementation of measures to address the specific needs of geographical areas most affected by poverty or of target groups at highest risk of poverty discrimination or social exclusion, with special regard to marginalised communities and persons with disabilities, long term unemployment and young people not in employment including, where appropriate, the financial resources used

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**PART C REPORTING SUBMITTED IN YEAR 2019 AND FINAL IMPLEMENTATION
REPORT (Article 50(5) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)**

**15. FINANCIAL INFORMATION AT PRIORITY AXIS AND PROGRAMME LEVEL
(ARTICLES 21(2) AND 22(7) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)**

16. SMART, SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH (OPTION PROGRESS REPORT)

Information on and assessment of the programme contribution to achieving the Union strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

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17. ISSUES AFFECTING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PROGRAMME AND MEASURES TAKEN — PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK (ARTICLE 50(2) OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013)

Where the assessment of progress made with regard to the milestones and targets set out in the performance framework demonstrates that certain milestones and targets have not been achieved, Member States should outline the underlying reasons for failure to achieve these milestones in the report of 2019 (for milestones) and in the final implementation report (for targets).

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