The funding possibilities to build up adaptation capacities and take action

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The changes proposed for 2014-2020

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Deliver the Europe 2020 strategy objectives of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth

Focus on results

Maximise the impact of EU funding

Reinforcing effectiveness and performance

Focus on results

 Common & programme-specific indicators, reporting, monitoring & evaluation

Performance framework for all programmes

Clear and measurable milestones and targets

Performance reserve

 5 % of national allocations (by Member State, fund and category of region)

Ex-ante conditionality

- Ensuring conditions for effective investment are in place **Macro-economic conditionality**
- Alignment with new economic governance

More coherent use of available EU funds

- Comprehensive investment strategy: aligned with Europe 2020 objectives
- Coherence with National Reform Programmes
- Coordination: cohesion policy, rural development, maritime & fisheries funds
- Objectives and indicators to measure progress towards Europe 2020 targets
- Effectiveness: introduction of a performance framework
- Efficiency: reinforcement of administrative capacity

Simplification

Common rules - funds covered by Common Strategic Framework

Cohesion Policy, rural development and maritime & fisheries policy

Option of multi-fund programmes

ERDF, ESF and Cohesion Fund

Streamlined delivery system

- Harmonised rules on eligibility and durability
- Greater use of simplified costs
- Linking payments with results
- e-Cohesion: "one stop shop" for beneficiaries
- Proportional approach to control

Common Strategic Framework

Partnership Contract Operational Programmes

Why a Common Strategic Framework?

- European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)
- European Social Fund (ESF)
- Cohesion Fund (CF)
- European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
- European Maritime & Fisheries Fund (EMFF)
 - complementary policy objectives
 - shared management
 - main EU funding for Europe 2020 strategy

To better coordinate EU funds to avoid overlaps & maximise synergies

- "Common Provisions Regulation" proposal
 - common set of thematic objectives
 - simplification (planning & implementation)
 - focus on results (performance framework & reserve)
 - harmonisation of eligibility rules extension of simplified cost options
 - Partnership Contracts
 - Common Strategic Framework (CSF)
 setting out how EU Funds can work together

Elements to include in Partnership Contracts

- Funds to support Europe 2020 National Reform Programmes
- coordination & integration
 - between Funds
 - with other EU policies & instruments
- integrated approach to Funds delivery
 - community-led local development (all Funds)
 - integrated territorial investments (Cohesion policy only)
 - integrated operations
 - Joint Action Plans

Horizontal principles & policy objectives

- men/women equality & non discrimination
 - mainstreamed across Funds & programmes
 - involving relevant bodies & partners
 - accessibility for disabled
- sustainable development
 - compliance with EU body of law
 - climate change & biodiversity tracking
 - guidance on application of "polluter pays" principle

Territorial challenges of Europe 2020 strategy

- differentiated impact of global challenges (e.g. globalisation, demographic change, climate change, economic crisis)
 - to be taken account of in PC & programmes
- 1. analysis of development potential & capacity
- 2. assessment of challenges for growth & jobs
- 3. consideration of cross-sectoral & crossjurisdictional issues
- 4. coordination across different territorial levels
- 5. development of Partnership Contract & programmes

Coordinated funding for cooperation activities

- cross-border & transnational cooperation
 - natural resources management, R&I, public services, network infrastructure: transport, energy, ICT, labour market, governance (police, justice, etc)
- interregional cooperation (exchange of experience)
- macro-regional & sea basin strategies
- ESF transnational cooperation
 - to enhance effectiveness of policies

11 thematic objectives

- 1. RTDI
- 2. access to, use & quality of ICT
- 3. competitiveness of SMEs, agriculture, fisheries & aquaculture
- 4. shift towards low-carbon economy
- 5. climate change adaptation, risk prevention & management
- 6. environment protection & resource efficiency

- 7. sustainable transport & key network infrastructures
- 8. employment & labour mobility
- 9. social inclusion & fight against poverty
- 10. education, skills & lifelong learning
- 11. institutional capacity & efficient public administration

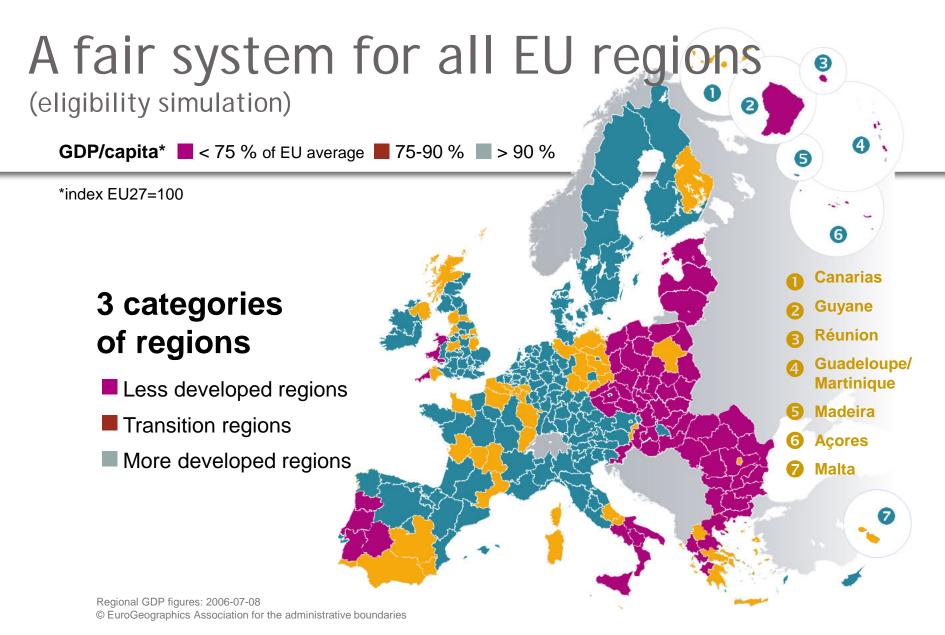
For each thematic objective

- main Europe 2020 targets & policy objectives
- key actions for the Funds
- common implementation principles
- coordination & complementarity
 - between Funds
 - with other EU policies & instruments
 - between different thematic objectives

Cohesion Fund

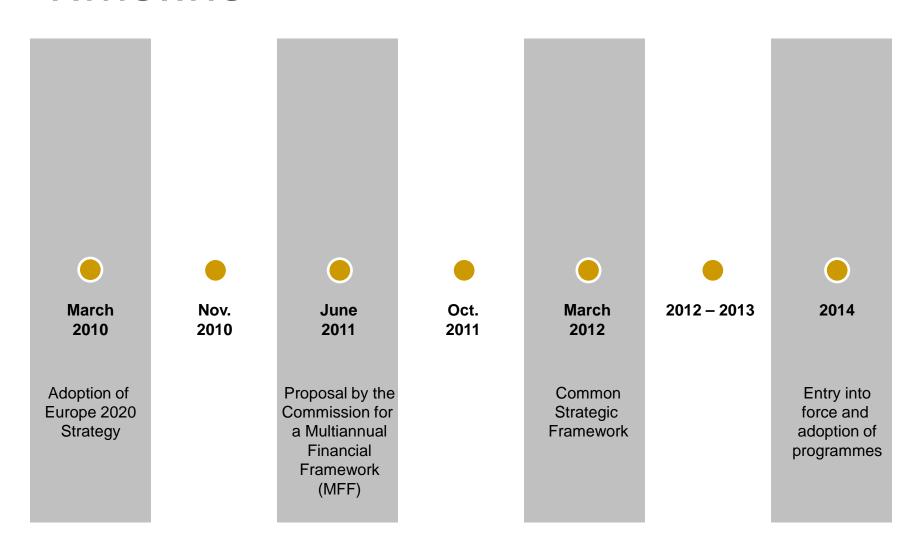
Investing in environment

- Climate change adaptation and risk prevention
- Water and waste sectors
- Biodiversity including through green infrastructures
- Urban environment
- Low carbon economy





Timeline



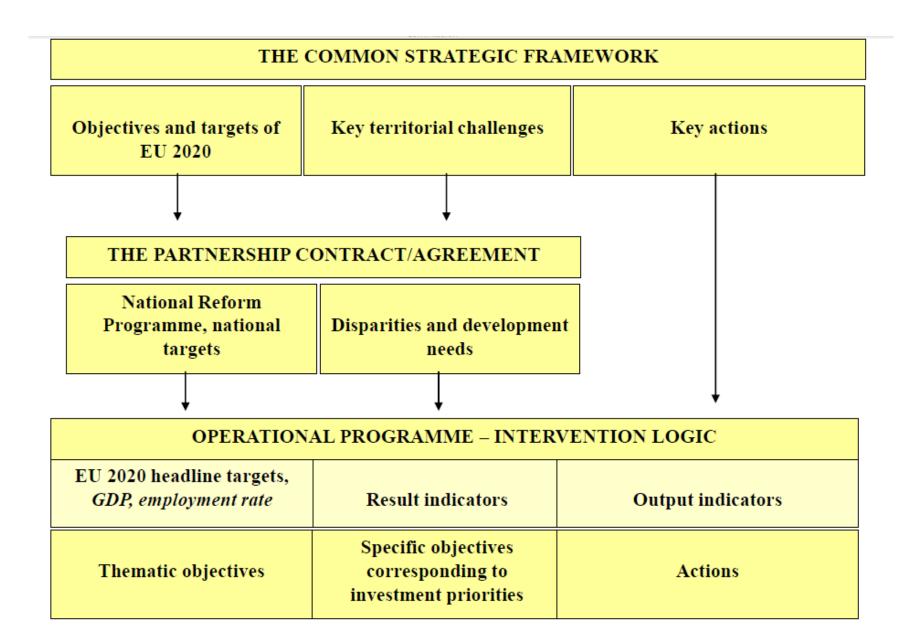


Table 12. Cross-analysis of European Commission objectives and Alpine Space strategic objectives

	Alpine Space strategic objectives						total	Rank
	O1: Balance and equity in access to services of general interest across the	O2: A dynamic and innovative SME sector and thriving entre-	O3: Enhanced capacities based on alpine traditions and social	O4: Sustainably managed biodiversity and landscapes	O5: Sustainable resource management and production	O6: Shared responsibilities and fair co- operation among alpine territories	by row (TO1 - TO11)	
TO 1: strengthening research, technological development and innovation	Alps 2	preneurship 3	diversity 2	2	3	2	14	4
TO 2: enhancing access to, and use and quality of, information and communication technologies	4	3	2	1	1	4	15	2
TO 3: enhancing the competitiveness of small and medium- sized enterprises (SMEs)	2	5	3	0	2	1	13	7
TO 4: supporting the shift towards a low-carbon economy in all sectors	0	4	3	3	5	1	16	1
TO 5: promoting climate change adaptation, risk prevention and management	0	1	1	5	3	3	13	7
TO 6: protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency	0	2	2	5	5	1	15	2
TO 7: promoting sustainable transport and removing bottlenecks in key network infrastructures	4	2	1	1	3	3	14	4
TO 8: promoting employment and supporting labour mobility	2	3	2	2	1	3	13	7
TO 9: promoting social inclusion and combating poverty	3	1	5	1	0	2	12	10
TO 10: investing in education, skills and lifelong learning	1	2	4	1	1	1	10	11
TO 11: enhancing institutional capacity and an efficient public administration	3	1	3	3	1	3	14	4

0 points: no clear link

1 point: some aspects visible on low level

2 points: intermediate situation

3 points: clear connection but not a core element

4 points: intermediate situation

5 points: core element

Scores based on a synthesis of positions within the group of experts

The other programs 2014-2020

- HORIZON 2020
- COSME 2014-2020
- ERASMUS FOR ALL 2014-2020
- EUROPA CREATIVA 2014-2020