

# **Annual and final implementation reports for the Investment for growth and jobs goal**

## **PART A**

### **IDENTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL/FINAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT**

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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.**

2014 focussed mainly on planning and negotiating the new Wales Operational Programmes with the European Commission and putting implementation arrangements in place. The East Wales ERDF Programme was approved on 21 November 2014. There have been a number of key achievements over the 2014 and 2015 reporting years. The Wales Programme Monitoring Committee (PMC) was formally constituted on 05 December 2014 and met four times during 2015. The PMC has strategic oversight of all European Structural and Investment Funds in Wales and, during 2015, agreed the assessment and selection criteria for operations that will be funded under the Programme. Systems have been put in place to manage the Programme, including a monitoring system, programme guidance, a Monitoring and Evaluation strategy and a Communications plan. There were no operations approved under the Programme during 2014.

By the end of December 2015 the Programme had made good progress with a total of ten operations approved (mainly consisting of key backbone operations). Some €157.4m of total eligible costs has been committed; of which just under €72.1m of EU Grant has been awarded (around 35% of the EU funds available under the Programme). WEFO has an internal objective to commit around 34% of the financial allocation across all four Programmes by the end of the 2015/16 financial year and had met this objective by the end of 2015. No financial instruments had been approved under the Programme by the end of December 2015.

In terms of the EU funds available, EU Grant commitment was highest under Priority 1 (Research and Innovation) at 57% of the funds available. This was followed by Priority 2 (SME Competitiveness) which stood at 52% and Priority 4 (Technical Assistance) where EU grant commitment stood at 4% of the funds available. No funds were committed under Priority 3 (Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency) and Priority 4 (Connectivity).

By the end of December 2015 no expenditure had been declared by beneficiaries to WEFO. Whilst there were no indicator achievements claimed to the end of December 2015, WEFO expects delivery against the Programme's output indicators to be reported by beneficiaries during 2016 and beyond, as Operations submit claims and incur expenditure.

E-cohesion requires a system to allow the electronic transfer of data between beneficiaries and the Managing Authority. To manage Structural Funds WEFO uses an IT system called PPIMS, used by Managing Authority Officials. The externally facing system, used by beneficiaries to enter data, including everything from appraisal documentation to transaction lists and claims is called WEFO Online. Some minor developments were required during 2015, but by allowing the electronic transfer of data, WEFO Online meets the conditions of an Electronic Data Exchange System under the e-cohesion requirements and therefore WEFO was compliant with e-cohesion as of November 2015.

To note that work is still ongoing around Intermediary Bodies (IBs) and their specific e-

cohesion requirements. WEFO has two IBs operating for Structural Funds. Although WEFO is still considering some of the intricacies, WEFO believes that one of these is probably 100% compliant. The other IB does not have an e-cohesion compliant EDES in place, so WEFO is working with them to accomplish this by July 2017.

### 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	Research and Innovation	<p>By the end of December 2015 five operations had been approved under the Priority axis. Progress was made during 2015 with many key elements of the Priority now in place. This includes the ‘gateway’ to the Priority through the approved Smart Innovation operation. This is supported by the innovation vouchers and grants for product development available from the Smart Cymru operation. Collaboration is a key mechanism for driving high quality research and innovation; the Smart Expertise operation will ensure that Wales has a strategic mechanism for driving this behaviour.</p> <p>Centres for Excellence include the Cardiff University Brain Research and Imaging Centre (CUBRIC) II, approved during 2015. This physical infrastructure is being complemented by the strategic placement of researcher capacity through the Ser Cymru 2 operation also approved in 2015 (which is closely integrated with a related scheme supported under Horizon 2020).</p> <p>Two potential ‘gaps’ had emerged in the Research &amp; Innovation portfolio: in commercialisation of life science and health research and the commercialisation of ICT and digital economy research. It is felt that recent investments by the Welsh Government in a digital economy hub in this region may reduce the need for structural fund investment in that theme.</p>
2	SME Competitiveness	<p>By the end of December 2015 four operations had been approved under the Priority axis. The ‘Business Wales’ family of operations which are Entrepreneurship Support, SME Support and Social Business Wales, along with Broadband exploitation. These are centred around the promotion of entrepreneurship and business start-up; and help to SMEs with growth potential, including social enterprises, to address barriers to that growth.</p> <p>Reflecting the emphasis in the 2014-20 Programmes on repayable finance particularly via Financial Instruments, the Wales Business Fund was being developed during 2015 on a similar scale to the JEREMIE funds delivered in the 2007-13 Programmes. Debt, mezzanine and equity products will be made available through the new Fund to meet gaps identified in a specific ‘ex-ante assessment’.</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>These operations will deliver the majority of this Priority. Potential gaps that cannot be met by a traditional financial instrument, but which may not fully justify the use of grant approaches are being considered as potential niche repayable assistance operations: for example a Social Enterprise finance scheme which would align with repayable finance and the Business Wales operations, and was in development during 2015.</p> <p>There is no clear evidence at this time of further gaps in the Priority; however this will be monitored through continued regional and sectoral stakeholder engagement.</p>
3	Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency	<p>By the end of December 2015 no operations had been approved under the Priority axis.</p> <p>The small-scale community energy element of this Priority was being developed during 2015, with a small scale renewable energy scheme led by the Welsh Government and Third Sector in the 'pipeline'. There were also discussions with Welsh Government around energy efficiency of the existing housing stock in areas of fuel poverty and an operation in this area was being developed during 2015.</p>
4	Connectivity	<p>By the end of December 2015 no operations had been approved under the Priority axis to date; however good progress was made during 2015 in the development of operations. This is not unexpected given the nature of infrastructure investment. With limited funds available, supporting operations that can bring about long-term transformational change will be the priority.</p> <p>At an early stage of development are proposals to develop intermodal and sustainable transport facilities that improve access to employment and education. These include rail network improvements linked to the Metro transformational scheme.</p> <p>In the area of ICT infrastructure, the Next Generation Broadband proposals for 'Ultrafast' (100Mbps) and 'Superfast' (30Mbps) infrastructure were also in development during 2015.</p>
5	Technical Assistance	<p>By the end of December 2015 one operation had been approved under the Priority axis. The Third Sector European Team (3-SET) operations will deliver a national, consistent service to provide the third sector with information and advice, training and events, networking opportunities and representation on the Programme, drawing links between other EU funding streams such as Erasmus+ and Horizon 2020.</p> <p>Further operations were in development, including Regional Engagement Team bids from all four regions in</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
		Wales and Welsh Government EST Department operations which contain their aid scheme and Intermediary Body revenue costs during 2015.

### 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 - Research and Innovation
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)	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	290.00			0.00			
S	CO24	Research, innovation: Number of new researchers in supported entities	Full time equivalents	More developed	290.00			59.00			
F	CO25	Research, Innovation: Number of researchers working in improved research infrastructure facilities	Full time equivalents	More developed	110.00			0.00			
S	CO25	Research, Innovation: Number of researchers working in improved research infrastructure facilities	Full time equivalents	More developed	110.00			61.00			
F	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	Enterprises	More developed	90.00			0.00			
S	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	Enterprises	More developed	90.00			126.00			
F	J2	Number of improved research infrastructure facilities	Number	More developed	2.00			0.00			
S	J2	Number of improved research infrastructure facilities	Number	More developed	2.00			1.00			
F	J3	Amount of research funding secured	GBP	More developed	65,000,000.00			0.00			
S	J3	Amount of research funding	GBP	More developed	65,000,000.00			28,097,986.00			

(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
		secured									

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(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	CO25	Research, Innovation: Number of researchers working in improved research infrastructure facilities	0.00		
S	CO25	Research, Innovation: Number of researchers working in improved research infrastructure facilities	0.00		
F	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	0.00		
S	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	0.00		
F	J2	Number of improved research infrastructure facilities	0.00		
S	J2	Number of improved research infrastructure facilities	0.00		
F	J3	Amount of research funding secured	0.00		
S	J3	Amount of research funding secured	0.00		



Priority axis	1 - Research and Innovation
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	1.1 - To increase the success of Welsh research institutions in attracting competitive and private research funding.

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
1.1	Research income for Higher Education Institutions	GBP	More developed	92800000	2012	6% increase			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
1.1	Research income for Higher Education Institutions		

Priority axis	1 - Research and Innovation
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

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)	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	2,585.00			0.00			
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	2,585.00			740.00			
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	320.00			0.00			
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	320.00			305.00			
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	2,245.00			0.00			
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	2,245.00			435.00			
F	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	Enterprises	More developed	20.00			0.00			
S	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	Enterprises	More developed	20.00			0.00			
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	670.00			0.00			
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	670.00			136.00			
F	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with	Enterprises	More developed	715.00			0.00			

(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
		research institutions									
S	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	Enterprises	More developed	715.00			4.00			
F	CO27	Research, Innovation: Private investment matching public support in innovation or R&D projects	EUR	More developed	26,160,000.00			0.00			
S	CO27	Research, Innovation: Private investment matching public support in innovation or R&D projects	EUR	More developed	26,160,000.00			25,540,200.00			
F	CO28	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the market products	Enterprises	More developed	300.00			0.00			
S	CO28	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the market products	Enterprises	More developed	300.00			67.00			
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	Enterprises	More developed	440.00			0.00			
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	Enterprises	More developed	440.00			117.00			
F	J4	Number of patents registered for products	Number	More developed	315.00			0.00			
S	J4	Number of patents registered for products	Number	More developed	315.00			75.00			
F	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	Number	More developed	0.00			0.00			
S	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	Number	More developed	0.00			0.00			
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	50.00			0.00			
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity	Number	More developed	50.00			0.00			

(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
		strategies and monitoring systems									
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	50.00			0.00			
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	50.00			0.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	0.00		
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	0.00		
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
F	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	0.00		
S	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	0.00		
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		
F	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
		research institutions			
S	CO26	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises cooperating with research institutions	0.00		
F	CO27	Research, Innovation: Private investment matching public support in innovation or R&D projects	0.00		
S	CO27	Research, Innovation: Private investment matching public support in innovation or R&D projects	0.00		
F	CO28	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the market products	0.00		
S	CO28	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the market products	0.00		
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	0.00		
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	0.00		
F	J4	Number of patents registered for products	0.00		
S	J4	Number of patents registered for products	0.00		
F	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	0.00		
S	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	0.00		
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
		systems			
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		

Priority axis	1 - Research and Innovation
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
Specific objective	1.2 - To increase the successful translation of research and innovation processes into new and improved commercial products, processes and services, in particular through improved technology transfer from HEIs.

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
1.3	Average share of total turnover from product innovation, and novel innovation: new to market, new to business and significantly improved	%	More developed	22.40	2010	23.00			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
1.3	Average share of total turnover from product innovation, and novel innovation: new to market, new to business and significantly improved		

Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
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

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)	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	25.00			0.00			
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	25.00			0.00			
F	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	Enterprises	More developed	25.00			0.00			
S	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	Enterprises	More developed	25.00			0.00			
F	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	EUR	More developed	14,100,000.00			0.00			
S	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	EUR	More developed	14,100,000.00			0.00			
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	145.00			0.00			
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	145.00			0.00			
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm	Enterprises	More developed	5.00			0.00			



(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
		products									
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	Enterprises	More developed	5.00			0.00			
F	J14	Invetsment in enterprises	GBP	More developed	7,819,774.00			0.00			
S	J14	Invetsment in enterprises	GBP	More developed	7,819,774.00			0.00			
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	13.00			0.00			
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	13.00			0.00			
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	5.00			0.00			
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	5.00			0.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
F	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	0.00		
S	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	0.00		
F	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
S	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	0.00		
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	0.00		
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	0.00		
F	J14	Investment in enterprises	0.00		
S	J14	Investment in enterprises	0.00		
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		

Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
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
Specific objective	2.5 - To address market failures in the availability of finance, in particular risk capital, for Welsh SMEs to undertake innovation and commercialise R&D.

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
2.5	Early stage equity investment	GBP	More developed	9000000	2012	£9.5m -£10m			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
2.5	Early stage equity investment		12,000,000

Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
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)

(I)	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	2,430.00			0.00			
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	2,430.00			4,000.00			
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	45.00			0.00			
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	45.00			0.00			
F	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	Enterprises	More developed	65.00			0.00			
S	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	Enterprises	More developed	65.00			0.00			
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	120.00			0.00			
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	120.00			0.00			
F	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	Enterprises	More developed	2,200.00			0.00			
S	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	Enterprises	More developed	2,200.00			4,000.00			
F	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	EUR	More developed	37,320,000.00			0.00			
S	CO07	Productive investment: Private	EUR	More developed	37,320,000.00			0.00			

(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
		investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)									
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	4,450.00			0.00			
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	4,450.00			6,750.00			
F	J10	Individuals receiving support - Female individuals	Number	More developed	3,100.00			0.00			
S	J10	Individuals receiving support - Female individuals	Number	More developed	3,100.00			0.00			
F	J11	Individuals receiving support - BME individuals	Number	More developed	445.00			0.00			
S	J11	Individuals receiving support - BME individuals	Number	More developed	445.00			0.00			
F	J12	Individuals receiving support - Disbaled individuals	Number	More developed	1,350.00			0.00			
S	J12	Individuals receiving support - Disbaled individuals	Number	More developed	1,350.00			0.00			
F	J14	Invetsment in enterprises	GBP	More developed	25,863,898.00			0.00			
S	J14	Invetsment in enterprises	GBP	More developed	25,863,898.00			0.00			
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	1,225.00			0.00			
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	1,225.00			1,000.00			
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	490.00			0.00			
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	490.00			1,000.00			
F	J9	Individuals recieving support	Number	More developed	6,200.00			0.00			

(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
S	J9	Individuals receiving support	Number	More developed	6,200.00			45,000.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	0.00		
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	0.00		
F	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	0.00		
S	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	0.00		
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
F	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	0.00		
S	CO05	Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	0.00		
F	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	0.00		
S	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	0.00		
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		
F	J10	Individuals receiving support - Female individuals	0.00		
S	J10	Individuals receiving support - Female individuals	0.00		
F	J11	Individuals receiving support - BME individuals	0.00		
S	J11	Individuals receiving support - BME individuals	0.00		
F	J12	Individuals receiving support - Disbald individuals	0.00		
S	J12	Individuals receiving support - Disbald individuals	0.00		
F	J14	Invetsment in enterprises	0.00		
S	J14	Invetsment in enterprises	0.00		
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
F	J9	Individuals recieving support	0.00		
S	J9	Individuals recieving support	0.00		

Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
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	2.1 - To increase the amount of finance available to SMEs for both business start-up and for business expansion.

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
2.1	Amount invested in Venture Capital and Expansion Capital	GBP	More developed	18m	2012	19m-20m			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
2.1	Amount invested in Venture Capital and Expansion Capital		28,000,000



Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
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	2.2 - To increase the number of SME start-ups through the provision of information, advice and guidance and support for entrepreneurship.

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
2.2	Count of birth of new enterprises	Number	More developed	3595	2012	5% increase in annual rate			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
2.2	Count of birth of new enterprises		4,935

Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
Investment Priority	3d - Supporting the capacity of SMEs to grow in regional, national and international markets, and to engage in innovation processes

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)

(I)	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	6,425.00			0.00			
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	6,425.00			9,264.00			
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	10.00			0.00			
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	Enterprises	More developed	10.00			0.00			
F	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	Enterprises	More developed	115.00			0.00			
S	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	Enterprises	More developed	115.00			0.00			
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	6,300.00			0.00			
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	6,300.00			9,264.00			
F	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	EUR	More developed	2,220,000.00			0.00			
S	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	EUR	More developed	2,220,000.00			0.00			
F	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	EUR	More developed	3,360,000.00			0.00			

(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
S	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	EUR	More developed	3,360,000.00			0.00			
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	2,550.00			0.00			
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	Full time equivalents	More developed	2,550.00			4,600.00			
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	Enterprises	More developed	400.00			0.00			
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	Enterprises	More developed	400.00			400.00			
F	J15	Increase in level of export	GBP	More developed	65,900,000.00			0.00			
S	J15	Increase in level of export	GBP	More developed	65,900,000.00			85,000,000.00			
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	3,200.00			0.00			
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	3,200.00			3,300.00			
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	1,300.00			0.00			
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	Number	More developed	1,300.00			3,300.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
		of enterprises receiving support			
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
F	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	0.00		
S	CO02	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	0.00		
F	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	0.00		
S	CO03	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	0.00		
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
F	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	0.00		
S	CO06	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (grants)	0.00		
F	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	0.00		
S	CO07	Productive investment: Private investment matching public support to enterprises (non-grants)	0.00		
F	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		
S	CO08	Productive investment: Employment increase in supported enterprises	0.00		
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
		products			
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	0.00		
F	J15	Increase in level of export	0.00		
S	J15	Increase in level of export	0.00		
F	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J6	Enterprises adopting or improving equality and diversity strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
F	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		
S	J7	Enterprises adopting or improving sustainable development strategies and monitoring systems	0.00		

Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
Investment Priority	3d - Supporting the capacity of SMEs to grow in regional, national and international markets, and to engage in innovation processes
Specific objective	2.3 - To increase the take-up and exploitation of NGA networks and ICT infrastructure by SMEs

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
2.3	SME use of fibre and cable broadband	% of SMEs	More developed	22%	2013	27%			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
2.3	SME use of fibre and cable broadband		22%

Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
Investment Priority	3d - Supporting the capacity of SMEs to grow in regional, national and international markets, and to engage in innovation processes
Specific objective	2.4 - To increase the growth of those SMEs with growth potential, in particular through accessing new markets (both domestic and international)

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
2.4	Employment within small (10-49 employees) and medium (50-249) SMEs	Percent	More developed	117100	2013	6% increase		122,500	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
2.4	Employment within small (10-49 employees) and medium (50-249) SMEs		119,600

Priority axis	3 - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
Investment Priority	4a - Promoting the production and distribution of energy derived from renewable sources

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)

(I)	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	70.00			0.00			
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	Enterprises	More developed	70.00			0.00			
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	70.00			0.00			
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	Enterprises	More developed	70.00			0.00			
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	Enterprises	More developed	35.00			0.00			
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	Enterprises	More developed	35.00			0.00			
F	CO30	Renewables: Additional capacity of renewable energy production	MW	More developed	8.00			0.00			
S	CO30	Renewables: Additional capacity of renewable energy production	MW	More developed	8.00			0.00			
F	J16	Community Energy Schemes	Number	More developed	3.00			0.00			
S	J16	Community Energy Schemes	Number	More developed	3.00			0.00			
F	J17	Energy support site preparation schemes	Number	More developed	1.00			0.00			
S	J17	Energy support site preparation schemes	Number	More developed	1.00			0.00			
F	J18	Number of renewable energy	Number	More developed	3.00			0.00			



(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
		prototypes tested									
S	J18	Number of renewable energy prototypes tested	Number	More developed	3.00			0.00			
F	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	Number	More developed	3.00			0.00			
S	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	Number	More developed	3.00			0.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
S	CO01	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving support	0.00		
F	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
S	CO04	Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0.00		
F	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	0.00		
S	CO29	Research, Innovation: Number of enterprises supported to introduce new to the firm products	0.00		
F	CO30	Renewables: Additional capacity of renewable energy production	0.00		
S	CO30	Renewables: Additional capacity of renewable energy production	0.00		
F	J16	Community Energy Schemes	0.00		
S	J16	Community Energy Schemes	0.00		
F	J17	Energy support site preparation schemes	0.00		
S	J17	Energy support site preparation schemes	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	J18	Number of renewable energy prototypes tested	0.00		
S	J18	Number of renewable energy prototypes tested	0.00		
F	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	0.00		
S	J5	Number of pilot projects completed	0.00		

Priority axis	3 - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
Investment Priority	4a - Promoting the production and distribution of energy derived from renewable sources
Specific objective	3.1 - To increase the number of small scale renewable energy schemes established.

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
3.1	Number of sites generating electricity from renewable sources (excluding PV)	Number	More developed	493	2012	3-6 Additional sites			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
3.1	Number of sites generating electricity from renewable sources (excluding PV)		

Priority axis	3 - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
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)

(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	4,200.00			0.00			
S	CO31	Energy efficiency: Number of households with improved energy consumption classification	Households	More developed	4,200.00			0.00			
F	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	Tonnes of CO2eq	More developed	5.00			0.00			
S	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	Tonnes of CO2eq	More developed	5.00			0.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO31	Energy efficiency: Number of households with improved energy consumption classification	0.00		
S	CO31	Energy efficiency: Number of households with improved energy consumption classification	0.00		
F	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	0.00		
S	CO34	GHG reduction: Estimated annual decrease of GHG	0.00		



Priority axis	3 - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
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	3.2 - To increase the energy efficiency of the existing Welsh housing stock, particularly in areas of fuel poverty

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
3.2	Energy efficiency rating of households facing severe fuel poverty	EPC rating	More developed	61,000	2010	Increase energy performance by 2 ratings for 10% of baseline			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
3.2	Energy efficiency rating of households facing severe fuel poverty		

Priority axis	4 - Connectivity
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)

(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	28,000.00			0.00			
S	CO10	ICT Infrastructure: Additional households with broadband access of at least 30 Mbps	Households	More developed	28,000.00			0.00			
F	J28	Number of Enterprises supported to connect to 100Mbps or higher networks	Number	Less developed	25.00			0.00			
S	J28	Number of Enterprises supported to connect to 100Mbps or higher networks	Number	Less developed	25.00			0.00			
F	J29	Additional population covered by ultrafast broadband (>100Mbps) broadband	Number	More developed	0.00			0.00			
S	J29	Additional population covered by ultrafast broadband (>100Mbps) broadband	Number	More developed	0.00			0.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(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		
F	J28	Number of Enterprises supported	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
		to connect to 100Mbps or higher networks			
S	J28	Number of Enterprises supported to connect to 100Mbps or higher networks	0.00		
F	J29	Additional population covered by ultrafast broadband (>100Mbps) broadband	0.00		
S	J29	Additional population covered by ultrafast broadband (>100Mbps) broadband	0.00		



Priority axis	4 - Connectivity
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	4.2 - To contribute to Digital Agenda for Europe targets in Wales for 100% access to next generation broadband (30Mbps and above) and 50% access to 100Mbps

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
4.2	Proportion of premises that are in postcodes served by NGA networks	percentage	More developed	58%	2013	65%		87%	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
4.2	Proportion of premises that are in postcodes served by NGA networks		58%

Priority axis	4 - Connectivity
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)

(I)	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	CO12	Railway: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded railway line	km	More developed	3.00			0.00			
S	CO12	Railway: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded railway line	km	More developed	3.00			0.00			
F	CO15	Urban transport: Total length of new or improved tram and metro lines	km	More developed	5.00			0.00			
S	CO15	Urban transport: Total length of new or improved tram and metro lines	km	More developed	5.00			0.00			
F	CO2	Reduction in CO2 equivalent emissions	tCO2e	More developed	1,800.00			0.00			
S	CO2	Reduction in CO2 equivalent emissions	tCO2e	More developed	1,800.00			0.00			
F	J19	Public transport services created or improved	Vehicle Km	More developed	420,000.00			0.00			
S	J19	Public transport services created or improved	Vehicle Km	More developed	420,000.00			0.00			
F	J20	Intermodal facilities created or improved	Number	More developed	5.00			0.00			
S	J20	Intermodal facilities created or improved	Number	More developed	5.00			0.00			
F	J22	Gross passenger kilometres on public transport	passenger km	More developed	67,200,000.00			0.00			
S	J22	Gross passenger kilometres on public transport	passenger km	More developed	67,200,000.00			0.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	CO12	Railway: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded railway line	0.00		
S	CO12	Railway: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded railway line	0.00		
F	CO15	Urban transport: Total length of new or improved tram and metro lines	0.00		
S	CO15	Urban transport: Total length of new or improved tram and metro lines	0.00		
F	CO2	Reduction in CO2 equivalent emissions	0.00		
S	CO2	Reduction in CO2 equivalent emissions	0.00		
F	J19	Public transport services created or improved	0.00		
S	J19	Public transport services created or improved	0.00		
F	J20	Intermodal facilities created or improved	0.00		
S	J20	Intermodal facilities created or improved	0.00		
F	J22	Gross passenger kilometres on public transport	0.00		
S	J22	Gross passenger kilometres on public transport	0.00		

Priority axis	4 - Connectivity
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	4.1 - To increase urban and labour mobility to and from key urban and employment 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
4.1	Total passengers using public transport between key urban links	Number	More developed	869,000	2013	10% increase in passengers for selected baseline			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
4.1	Total passengers using public transport between key urban links		

## 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)

Priority axis		5 - Technical Assistance									
(I)	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	TA13	Employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	Number					0.00			
S	TA13	Employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	Number					0.00			
F	TAO1	Number of training events held	Number		10.00			0.00			
S	TAO1	Number of training events held	Number		10.00			0.00			
F	TAO10	Number of e-newsletters issued	Number		72.00			0.00			
S	TAO10	Number of e-newsletters issued	Number		72.00			0.00			
F	TAO11	Percentage of enquiries resolved within 5 working days	Percentage		75.00			0.00			
S	TAO11	Percentage of enquiries resolved within 5 working days	Percentage		75.00			0.00			
F	TAO12	Number of audit visits	Number		50.00			0.00			
S	TAO12	Number of audit visits	Number		50.00			0.00			
F	TAO2	Framework Contract for Specialist Expertise in place for project delivery	Number		1.00			0.00			
S	TAO2	Framework Contract for Specialist Expertise in place for project delivery	Number		1.00			0.00			
F	TAO3	Number of projects undergoing a formal assessment for their cross cutting themes integration	Number		90.00			0.00			
S	TAO3	Number of projects undergoing a formal assessment for their cross cutting themes integration	Number		90.00			0.00			

(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	TAO4	Number of research reports published	Number		34.00			0.00			
S	TAO4	Number of research reports published	Number		34.00			2.00			
F	TAO5	Number of projects given Monitoring and Evaluation advice	Number		100.00			0.00			
S	TAO5	Number of projects given Monitoring and Evaluation advice	Number		100.00			0.00			
F	TAO6	Number of dissemination events	Number		6.00			0.00			
S	TAO6	Number of dissemination events	Number		6.00			0.00			
F	TAO7	Number of events organised by WEFO	Number		10.00			0.00			
S	TAO7	Number of events organised by WEFO	Number		10.00			0.00			
F	TAO8	Number of press releases issued	Number		400.00			0.00			
S	TAO8	Number of press releases issued	Number		400.00			0.00			
F	TAO9	Number of high profile project launches	Number		50.00			0.00			
S	TAO9	Number of high profile project launches	Number		50.00			0.00			

(1) S=Selected operations, F=Fully implemented operations

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	TA13	Employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	0.00		
S	TA13	Employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	0.00		
F	TAO1	Number of training events held	0.00		
S	TAO1	Number of training events held	0.00		
F	TAO10	Number of e-newsletters issued	0.00		
S	TAO10	Number of e-newsletters issued	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
F	TAO11	Percentage of enquiries resolved within 5 working days	0.00		
S	TAO11	Percentage of enquiries resolved within 5 working days	0.00		
F	TAO12	Number of audit visits	0.00		
S	TAO12	Number of audit visits	0.00		
F	TAO2	Framework Contract for Specialist Expertise in place for project delivery	0.00		
S	TAO2	Framework Contract for Specialist Expertise in place for project delivery	0.00		
F	TAO3	Number of projects undergoing a formal assessment for their cross cutting themes integration	0.00		
S	TAO3	Number of projects undergoing a formal assessment for their cross cutting themes integration	0.00		
F	TAO4	Number of research reports published	0.00		
S	TAO4	Number of research reports published	0.00		
F	TAO5	Number of projects given Monitoring and Evaluation advice	0.00		
S	TAO5	Number of projects given Monitoring and Evaluation advice	0.00		
F	TAO6	Number of dissemination events	0.00		
S	TAO6	Number of dissemination events	0.00		
F	TAO7	Number of events organised by WEFO	0.00		
S	TAO7	Number of events organised by WEFO	0.00		
F	TAO8	Number of press releases issued	0.00		
S	TAO8	Number of press releases issued	0.00		
F	TAO9	Number of high profile project launches	0.00		

(1)	ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Men	2014 Women
S	TAO9	Number of high profile project launches	0.00		



Priority axis	5 - Technical Assistance
Specific objective	5.1 - To ensure the efficient and effective management of the 2014-2020 programmes.

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
TAR1	Irregularity rate	percentage		0.53	2013	Below 2%			
TAR2	WEFO Error Rate	percentage		0.67	2012	Below 2%			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
TAR1	Irregularity rate		
TAR2	WEFO Error Rate		

Priority axis	5 - Technical Assistance
Specific objective	5.2 - To provide high quality advice to key partners involved in the design and delivery of operations

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
TAR3	Customer satisfaction	percentage		45	2009	50			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
TAR3	Customer satisfaction		

Priority axis	5 - Technical Assistance
Specific objective	5.3 - To enhance the integration and the complementarity of investments with other ESI funds and wider Commission led and Sector based programmes.

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
TAR3	Customer satisfaction	percentage		45	2009	50			

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
TAR3	Customer satisfaction		

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	0
CO02 - Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving grants	0
CO03 - Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving financial support other than grants	0
CO04 - Productive investment: Number of enterprises receiving non-financial support	0
CO05 - Productive investment: Number of new enterprises supported	0

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	Total	178,203,132.00	50.00	120,726,983.25	67.75%	84,901,763.25	0.00	0.00%	5
2	ERDF	More developed	Total	79,740,942.00	50.00	36,382,568.85	45.63%	36,136,555.65	0.00	0.00%	4
3	ERDF	More developed	Total	44,800,782.00	50.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0
4	ERDF	More developed	Total	95,747,162.00	50.00	0.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00%	0
5	ERDF	More developed	Total	8,132,490.00	50.00	310,994.10	3.82%	310,994.10	0.00	0.00%	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>ERDF</b>	<b>More developed</b>		<b>406,624,508.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>157,420,546.20</b>	<b>38.71%</b>	<b>121,349,313.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Grand total</b>				<b>406,624,508.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>157,420,546.20</b>	<b>38.71%</b>	<b>121,349,313.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>10</b>

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												
1	ERDF	More developed	058	01	01	07	01		08	UKL2	21,811,882.50	20,461,882.50	0.00	1
1	ERDF	More developed	060	01	07	07	01		24	UKL2	24,934,500.00	24,938,550.00	0.00	1
1	ERDF	More developed	064	01	07	07	01		24	UKL2	73,980,600.75	39,501,330.75	0.00	3
2	ERDF	More developed	066	01	07	07	03		24	UKL2	14,858,822.25	14,858,822.25	0.00	1
2	ERDF	More developed	067	01	07	07	03		24	UKL2	13,671,096.30	13,671,096.30	0.00	1
2	ERDF	More developed	073	01	07	07	03		24	UKL2	2,992,650.30	2,992,650.30	0.00	1
2	ERDF	More developed	082	01	07	07	03		24	UKL2	4,860,000.00	4,613,986.80	0.00	1
3	ERDF	More developed												
4	ERDF	More developed												
5	ERDF	More developed												
5	ERDF	More developed	121	01	07	07			18	UKL2	310,994.10	310,994.10	0.00	1

Table 8: The use made of cross-financing

1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>Use of cross-financing</b>	<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>The amount of EU support envisaged to be used for cross financing based on selected operations (EUR)</b>	<b>Share of the total financial allocation to the priority axis (%) (3/total financial allocation to priority axis*100)</b>	<b>Eligible expenditure used under cross financing declared by the beneficiary to the managing authority (EUR)</b>	<b>Share of the total financial allocation to the priority axis (%) (5/total financial allocation to priority axis*100)</b>



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
<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>The amount of support envisaged to be used for operations implemented outside the programme area based on selected operations (EUR)</b>	<b>Share of the total financial allocation to the priority axis (%) (3/total financial allocation to priority axis*100)</b>	<b>Eligible expenditure incurred in operations implemented outside the programme area declared by the beneficiary to the managing authority (EUR)</b>	<b>Share of the total financial allocation to the priority axis (%) (5/total financial allocation to priority axis*100)</b>

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

There have been no evaluations completed / published during 2014/2015, apart from the Ex Ante Evaluations. As part of the Financial Instruments Ex Ante Assessment, in 2014 WEFO commissioned Regeneris to undertake a 'Thinkpiece' on grants for SMEs in Wales. This work concluded that any publicly backed finance to support SMEs should generally be done on a repayable basis by default, unless there is a clear and strong rationale for offering grant finance. The report identified a number of conditions that any such grant scheme would need to meet:

- It delivers significant economic spillovers (technology and innovation, enterprise, employment and regeneration, social or environmental), such that these spillovers justify the public sector costs of the grant.
- Businesses to be supported have exhausted all other sources of finance, including commercial sources, alternative sources and publicly backed repayable sources (so the scheme does not crowd out the market or other public sector schemes).
- Investment projects supported would not go ahead without the grant, or would go ahead on a significantly reduced scale or delayed timescale. This is related to the above, although there are some instances where other, repayable sources of finance may be available to businesses but their repayable nature deters investments with significant spillovers.
- The programme would not be able to be delivered economically on a repayable basis due to the additional operating costs associated with administering loans (assuming that all the above conditions are met).

The report also identified an 'in-principle' case for providing grants in some circumstances:

- Early stage R&D
- Encouraging behaviour change (e.g. incentivising SMEs to invest in energy efficiency measures)
- Support for social enterprises and charities for activities that will not become financially self-sustaining (not eligible for ERDF support)
- Addressing a viability gap.

The report and WEFO's response is available on the WEFO website.

## **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**

This early stage of the Programme has concentrated on getting the essential elements of delivery under way. This meant securing approval of the backbone operations under each Priority to ensure delivery of the majority of the outputs required to meet key performance indicators.

WEFO had been working with potential beneficiaries and stakeholders for some time during the period when the Programme was under development to ensure they understood the requirements and objectives of the Programmes. This provided sufficient confidence to support the early development of proposals whilst the Programme was still at a draft stage. This allowed beneficiaries and WEFO to move quickly once the Programmes were approved and other formalities were in place.

As at 31 December 2015, WEFO was well on course to meet its target of committing 33% of the estimated fund value by the end of March 2016 (which in fact was passed). Some operations have a mobilisation phase during which they recruit staff, place contracts etc., so we never anticipated a very high level of actual delivery in this first full year after Programme approval, but WEFO is monitoring such activity and is not aware of any significant obstacles to delivery in 2015.

WEFO had started paying claims by the end of 2015 and expect significant numbers to come through at the end of the first quarter of 2016, after which there will be meaningful volumes of outputs to support routine monitoring at programme level.

WEFO had anticipated that potential beneficiaries might show some reluctance to commit to operations needing EU support due to uncertainty about UK membership if the EU, but this does not appear in practice to have discouraged interest in the Programme and WEFO has a healthy pipeline of projects for development and approval in 2016.

## **7. CITIZEN'S SUMMARY**

A citizen's summary of the contents of the annual implementation report can be found at Annex 1.

**8. REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Not applicable to this reporting year.

**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

Not applicable.

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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Not applicable.



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

There are no major projects planned for under the Programme.

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

There are no major projects planned for under the Programme.

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

There are no major projects planned for under the Programme.

## **10.2. Joint action plans**

### **Progress in the implementation of different stages of joint action plans**

Not applicable to the Programme.
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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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Not applicable to the Programme.

**Significant problems encountered and measures taken to overcome them**

Not applicable to the Programme.
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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 - Research and Innovation
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Not applicable to the report.
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Priority axis	2 - SME Competitiveness
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Not applicable to the report.
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Priority axis	3 - Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
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Not applicable to the report.
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Priority axis	4 - Connectivity
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Not applicable to the report.
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Priority axis	5 - Technical Assistance
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Not applicable to the report.
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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)**

Not applicable to the report.

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

Not applicable to the report.

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

Priority axis	Amount of support to be used for climate change objectives (EUR)	Proportion of total allocation to the operational programme (%)
Total	0.00	0.00%

Not applicable to the report.

**11.5. Role of partners in the implementation of the programme**

Not applicable to the report.



**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**

Not applicable to the report.

**12.2. The results of the information and publicity measures of the Funds carried out under the communication strategy**

Not applicable to the report.

**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**

Not applicable to the 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, sustainable urban development, and community led local development under the operational programme**

Not applicable to the report.

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

Not applicable to the report.

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

Not applicable to the report.

**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 (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:

Not applicable to the report.

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

Not applicable to the report.

**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**

Not applicable to the report.

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

Not applicable to the report.

**16. SMART, SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH (OPTION PROGRESS REPORT)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. Information on and assessment of the programme contribution to achieving the Union strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

Not applicable to the report.
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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).

Not applicable to the report.
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