

# MONITORING COMMITTEE for Operational Programme I

Investing in Competitiveness for a Better Quality of Life Cohesion Policy (2007-2013)

**Proposed changes to Operational Programme I** 

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#### **Background**



#### The change is being triggered by:

- Availability of funds under the Cohesion Fund because of
  - Trends noted in the contracting (substantial savings) under certain Axes
  - Conclusion of preparatory studies (including budgetary estimates) of certain large projects
- Outcome of the Mid Term Evaluation
- Further alignment of the available funds under the ERDF with EU2020 targets





#### Overview of the Proposed changes



- Transfer the National Flood Relief Project from PA 4 to PA 5
- Transfer of funds from PA 3 to PA5 (Between Cohesion Funds Axes)
- Inclusion of a new action (Focus Area) under climate change – Resource Efficiency
- Increase in earmarked categories under OPI from 33.8% to 39% (going beyond the 50% of overall CP allocation)





#### **Proposed Changes in detail**



- Changes to Categorisation Table in Chapter 3 (to reflect revised allocations under Chapter 4)
- Changes to Chapter 4 :
  - Shift in Budget (from PA 3 and PA 5)
  - Revised objectives and new focus area under PA 4
  - Revised Indicators (fine-tuning of methodologies, baselines and targets) under various Axes
  - New Indicator under Axis 4





#### **Chapter 3: Changes to Table 3.3**



- Further alignment of Priority Themes with projects and activities approved so far
- Increase in the allocation of those Priority Themes related to climate change
- All Priority themes changed with the exception of Priority Themes 43, 46, 77, 78, 81, 85 and 86.
- 2 new codes have been introduced:
  - 24 Cycle tracks
  - 49 Mitigation and Adaptation to Climate Change





### Chapter 4: Changes to PA1 Background



Changes undertaken to take into account one of the recommendations of the Mid-term Evaluation.

The change will introduce the possibility of financing projects that aim to strengthen and sustain Malta's RTDi capacity in the long term – i.e. increase the Science & Technology cohort in the long (rather than short or immediate) term.





#### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA1 Revised Operational Objectives**



- To undertake a number of smart investments in the knowledge infrastructure;
- To support S&T related investments in the formal and informal education streams, including infrastructure to increase the S&T cohort in the long-term;
- To undertake research projects within upgraded / new facilities





#### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA1 New Indicator**



Output Indictors	Target
No of SMEs benefitting from JEREMIE	500





# Chapter 4: Changes to PA2 Background



- Changes to ensure that the indicators and baselines are more in line with the projects approved
- Increase in target for the core indicator
- In the case of aid scheme decrease in targets due to an increase in average grant value





# **Chapter 4: Changes to PA2 Revision to Indicators Targets**



Output Indictors	Original Target	Revised Target
No of assisted tourism and cultural projects (core indicator)	8	20
Surface area of rampart elevation restored (m <sup>2</sup> )	135,000	150,000
No of projects implemented by enterprises	300	110
Result Indictors	Original Target	Revised Target
No of enterprises adopting new products and processes	250	90





# **Chapter 4: Changes to PA3 Main Changes**



- Implementation period of phase II (phase II of TEN-T roads earmarked for submission in 2012)
- Decrease in financial allocation of the Axis

	Original	Revised
Overall Financial allocation	€ 169,038,258.82, of which € 143,682,520 represent the Community Funding	€ 145,000,000, of which € 123,250,000 represent the Community Funding





# **Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 Main Changes**



- Change to PA's title from Mitigation and Adaptation to Climate Change, to Climate Change and Resource Efficiency
- Changes in background, objectives, focus areas, indicators and targets
- Text has been amended to capture the increase in climate change interventions foreseen as well as the new measures under the action of Resource Efficiency.





### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 Operational Objectives (1)**



- Objective related to Air Quality had been removed (change to OP in May 2010).
- The objective concerning storm water has shifted to PA 5
- The objective pertaining to studies has been re-worded (more concise and more flexibility) and includes research
- To promote measures resulting in best use of available resources



### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 Operational Objectives (2)**



- To promote the use of RES and energy efficiency measures at all levels of governance, including the public, the domestic and enterprise levels;
- To undertake investments intended to reduce GHG emissions.

#### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 New Focus Area – Resource Efficiency**



- To focus on actions that promote the use of Malta's scarce resources in an efficient way.
- Under this new Focus Area, interventions to promote the efficient use of water resources (particularly investments promoting the use of treated sewage effluent) shall be eligible for co-financing.





### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 Summary List of Potential Interventions (1)**



- R&D&I <u>actions (including pilot actions)</u> and studies in relation to Climate Change
- Schemes for RES and energy efficiency for various players, including households and enterprises
- RES and energy efficiency projects for public; public equivalent; and NGO buildings
- Educational information campaigns to support measures related to RES and energy efficiency interventions under this axis





#### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 Summary List of Potential Interventions (2)**



- Actions (equipment, infrastructure and accompanying soft measures) that seek to make better use of resource available (including the further treatment of TSE for further use)
- Infrastructures for the generation of RES from natural source (including animal manure).





# Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 New/Revised Indicators (1)



Output Indictors	Original Target	Revised Target
No of projects dealing with Resource Efficiency		1-2
Annual penetration rate of installed PV and, micro-wind starting in 2008 (kWp/annum)	340	1500
Solar Water Heaters - m <sup>2</sup> installed		1500
No of RES Projects [core]		30





### Chapter 4: Changes to PA4 New/Revised Indicators (2)



Result Indictors	Original Target	Revised Target
Total annual electricity generated from small scale PV and micro-wind installations (MWh/annum)	3,000	14,000
Total energy savings per year (MWh/annum)	24,300	40,000
Additional water resources through further treatment of sewage effluent		5Mm <sup>3</sup>
% decrease in energy consumed for volume of water treated		50%





#### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA5 Main Changes**



- Revision of PA's title: Safeguarding the Environment and Risk Prevention
- Text (background, objectives, focus area and targets)
  has been amended to reflect the shift of the National
  Flood Relief Project to Axis 5
- Updates to reflect current status of Major Project on Sewage Treatment
- Further clarity the objective and focus related to water
- Increase in budget (shift from Axis 3 to Axis 5)





#### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA5 Summary List of Potential Interventions**



#### **Inclusion of:**

- Investment in measures aimed at improving water networks;
- Setting up of a storm water management system to develop infrastructure to minimize the effects of storm water and reduce the incidence of flash flooding (from Axis 4 to Axis 5)

	Original	Revised	
Overall Financial		<b>€</b> 189,288,258.82	of
allocation	which € 140,462,500	which € 160,895,020	
	represent the	represent	the
	<b>Community Funding</b>	<b>Community Funding</b>	





#### Chapter 4: Changes to PA5 Indicators: From PA 4 but with a clarification



Output Indictors	Target
No of storm water management (risk prevention) projects (core indicator)	1
Result Indicators	
M³ of increased rain water harvesting and re-use potential in catchment areas	300,000
Frequency of flooding within areas of intervention	1 every 5 years





### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA6 Main Changes**



- Revised text to provide more updated information regarding Mater Dei Oncology Centre Major Project
- Further clarity in the list of interventions
- Revision of some indicators in order to better capture activities approved
- Revision in targets to reflect intervention approved





# **Chapter 4: Changes to PA6 Indicators (1)**



Output Indictors	Original Target	Revised Target
No of projects ensuring sustainability and improving the attractiveness of towns and cities (core indicator)	3	1
No of new e-services for the public and the business community	4	72





# **Chapter 4: Changes to PA6 Indicators (2)**



Output Indictors (Deleted)	Original Target	Revised Target
No. of existing learning facilities refurbished with new equipment/ constructed within intervention areas by 2013	30	
Output Indictors (New)	Original Target	Revised Target
No of constructed learning/training facilities		6
No of refurbished existing learning/training facilities with new equipment		110





### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA6 Indicators (3)**



Output Indictors (Deleted)	Original Target	Revised Target
Sq m of modernised facilities refurbished with new equipment /constructed within intervention areas by 2013	2,040	
Output Indictors (New)	Original Target	Revised Target
Sq m of newly constructed learning/training facilities within intervention areas by 2013		20,000
Sq m of modernised learning/training facilities refurbished (with new equipment) within intervention areas by 2013		18,200





# **Chapter 4: Changes to PA6 Indicators (4)**



Result Indictors	Original Target	Revised Target
% increase in use of e-services	20	26
Pupils/students/trainees benefiting from upgraded and modernised facilities/services (per annum) (core indicator)	25,000	56,000





#### **Chapter 4: Changes to PA7 Main Changes**



- New Objective To support activities related to the Future of Cohesion Policy and Territorial Cohesion.
- New Focus Area Future of Cohesion Policy and Territorial Cohesion
- Summary List of Potential Interventions:

Activities related to national co-ordination and monitoring of 2014 – 2020 regulatory package and future Cohesion Policy issues (including Territorial Cohesion and MFF issues).





#### **Chapter 4: Other Changes**



#### Table 4.7 – OP I General Indicators Table

 Changes in table reflect all the changes in relation to Axes' amended/new/ deleted Indicators.

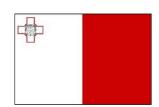
#### Table 4.8 – Weighted average indicators

- Quality of Life indicator amended to reflect the number of patients rather than the number bed to align the result indicator under PA 6 and the corresponding impact indicator
- The Quality of Life Impact Indicator has been revised from over 150% to over 200%





#### Thank you



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