

Update on Implementation

Operational Programme I Cohesion Policy 2014-2020

Fostering a competitive and sustainable economy to meet our challenges

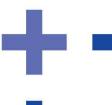
Monitoring Committee Meeting

Friday 20th November 2015



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Overview: 2014-2020 OP

As per Article 110 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, progress registered since the OP launch in March 2015 and the update during the May 2015 MC on:

- Launch of Calls under the OP
- Implementation of the Horizontal Obligations
- Communication Plan
- Monitoring and Evaluation Plan (separate presentation)



Summary of Calls

Call	Status
Call I: PA 3, 4, 5, 11	CLOSED (under evaluation)
Call II: PA 2, 8, 9	OPEN (closes Friday 8th April 2016)
Call III: PA 4 (IP4c), 7, 10, 11	PRE-ANNOUNCEMENT (to be published end November 2015)
Call IV: 4 (IP4a), 5 (Local Councils and NGOs)	PRE-ANNOUNCEMENT (to be published end December 2015)



Call I:

- PA3 Enhancing Malta's competitiveness through investment in SMEs. IP: Supporting the capacity of SMEs to grow in regional, national and international markets, and to engage in innovation processes
- PA4 Promoting the production and distribution of energy derived from renewable sources. IP: Promoting the production and distribution of energy derived from renewable sources
- PA5 Protecting our environment investing in natural and cultural assets. IP: Conserving, protecting, promoting and developing natural and cultural heritage
- PA11 Investing in TEN-T infrastructure IP: Supporting a multimodal Single European Transport Area by investing in the TEN-T



Call I – Evaluation Stage

Priority Axis	No. of projects submitted	Estimated Total Public Eligible
3	3	23M
4	1	15.5M
5	14	52M
11	2	53.5M



Call II:

- PA2 Consolidating investment within the ICT sector. IP2c: Strengthening ICT applications for e-government, e-learning, e-inclusion, e-culture and e-health.
- PA8 Investing towards a more socially-inclusive society. IP9a: Investing in health and social infrastructure which contributes to national, regional and local development, reducing inequalities in terms of health status, promoting social inclusion through improved access to social, cultural and recreational services and the transition from institutional to community-base services. IP9b: Integration of deprived families through the upgrading of public social housing.
- PA9 Developing our future through education, training and lifelong learning. IP10a: Investing in education, training and vocational training for skills and lifelong learning by developing education and training infrastructure



Call II - Open

Priority Axis - PA 2 (IP2c), PA 8 (IP9a; IP9b), PA 9 (IP10a)

Preannouncement: June 2015

Announcement: November 2015

Information sessions: Jan/Feb 2016

Closing date: April 2016



Call III & IV – Expected pre-announcements

PA 4 (IP4c), 7, 10, 11 November 2015 PA 4 (IP4a), 5 December 2015



Implementation of the Horizontal Priorities (Article 96(7))

Horizontal priorities are taken into account at project level, with an obligation placed on Beneficiaries and formalised through the Grant Agreements to contribute to:

- Equal opportunities
- Sustainable development

Additional marks will be awarded for concrete and effective measures proposed to address these priorities.



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SME Initiative

Stimulating private sector investment for economic growth

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Key Milestones	Dates
Launch of SMEi	July 2015
1st Investment Board Meeting	July 2015
Launch of the Call for Financial Intermediaries	July 2015
Closing date of Call	October 2015
Due diligence by EIF	Ongoing
Expected EIF assessment	Q1 2016

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