



Operational Programme I

Cohesion Policy 2007-2013

Investing in Competitiveness for a Better Quality of Life

Update on Implementation

Monitoring Committee
3rd June 2014





Overview

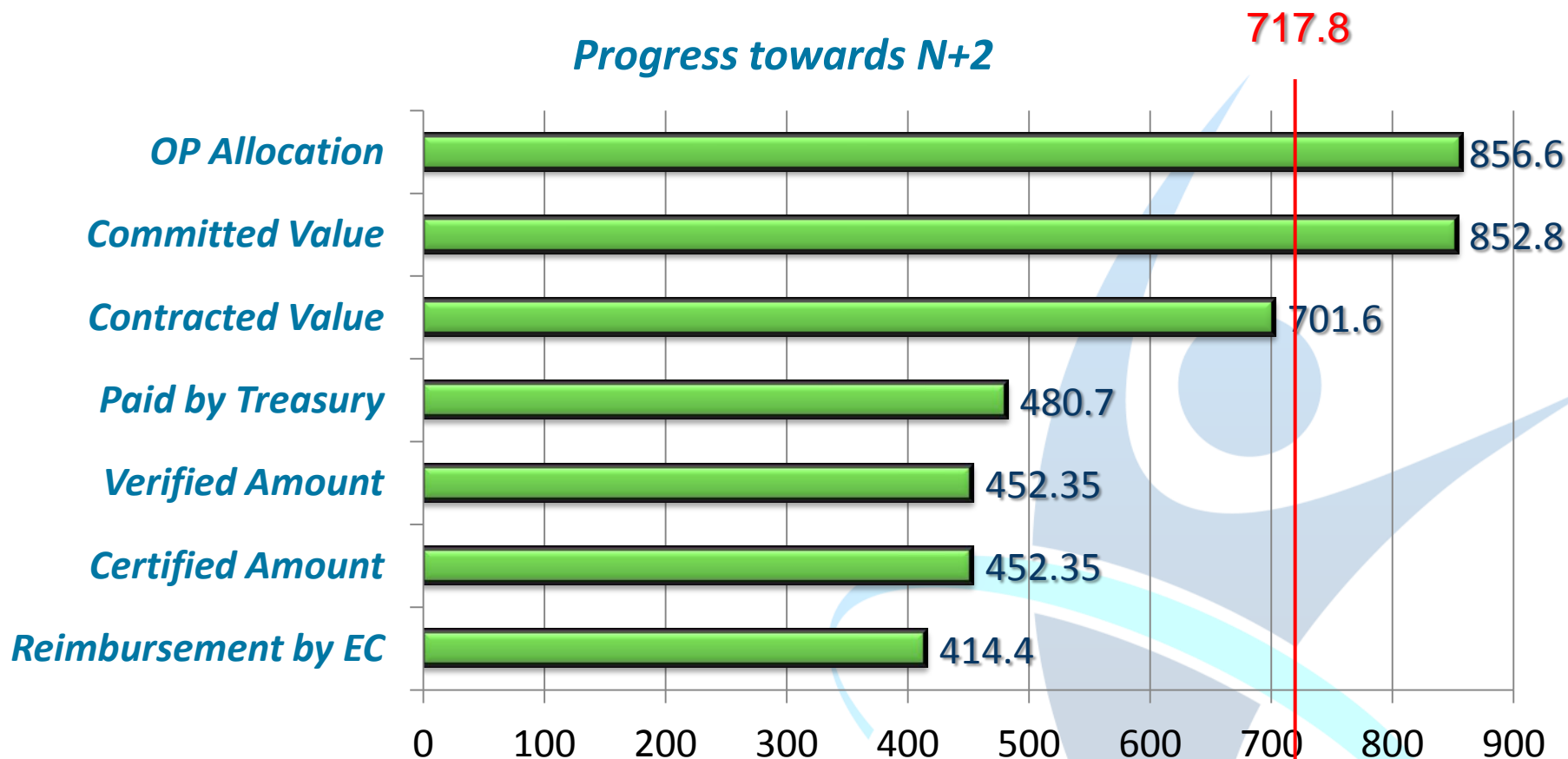
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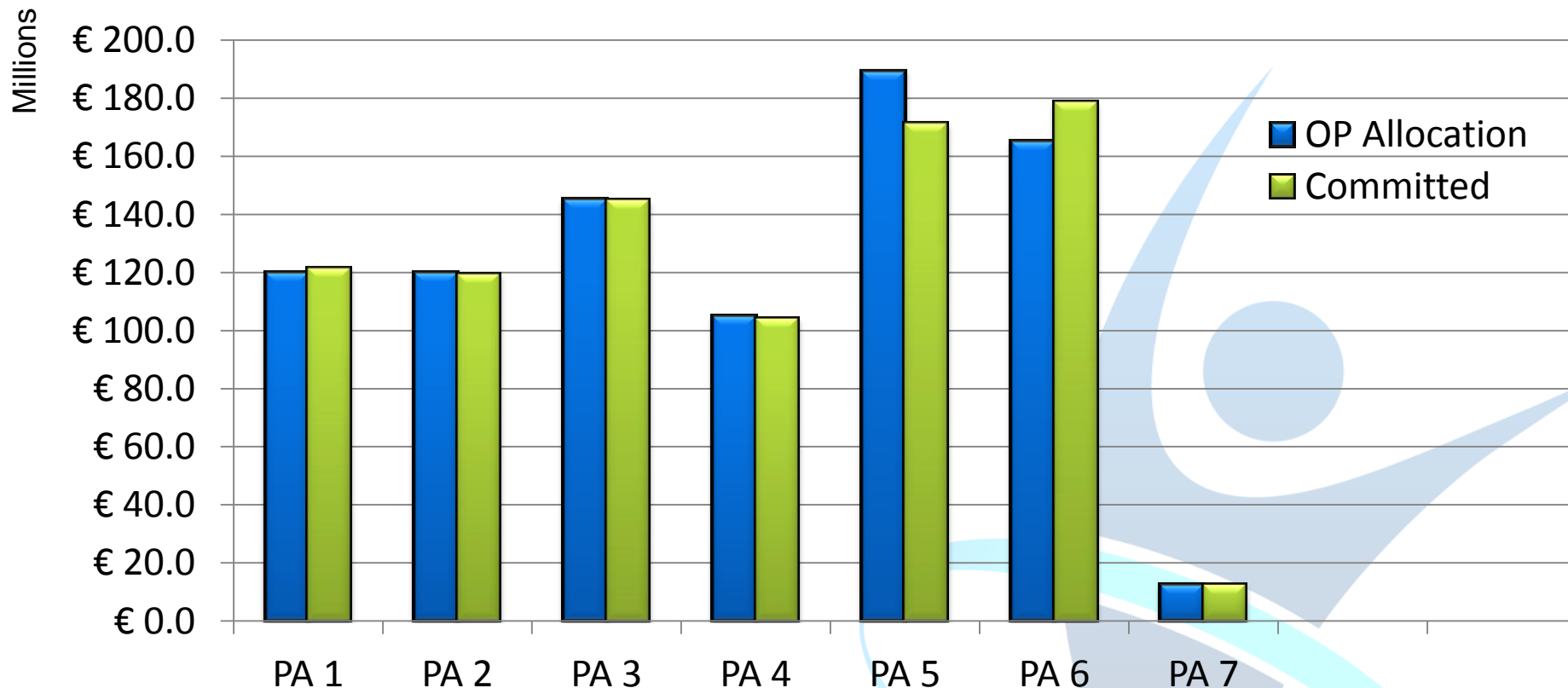


Overview of the Operational Programme I

Progress towards N+2



OP I Committed Amounts





OPI Calls – Concluded (1)

Priority Axis 4 – Call 18

Focus Areas: Energy and Resource Efficiency

Eligible Applicants: **Public Entities**

Concluded: **March 2014**

Projects Received: **21**

Projects Ranked: **14**

Projects Rejected: **7**

Projects Awarded: **14**

Committed Amount: **€27.8 million**



OPI Calls – Under Evaluation (1)

Priority Axis 5 – Non-Major Call V

Focus Areas: Water and Waste Water

Eligible Applicants: **Public Entities**

To be concluded: **June 2014**

Financial Allocation: **n/a**

Projects Received: 2



OPI Calls – Call for Proposals under CF (1)

Priority Axis 3 – Non-Major Call VI

TEN-T: Road Transport Links; Maritime Transport Links

Eligible Applicants: **Public Entities**

Call closes: **6 June 2014**

Financial Allocation: **n/a**

To be concluded: **July 2014**



OPI Calls – Call for Proposals under ERDF (2)

Priority Axis 2 - Call 20

Focus Areas: Product Development, Niche Market
Development

Eligible Applicants: **Relevant Public Entities**

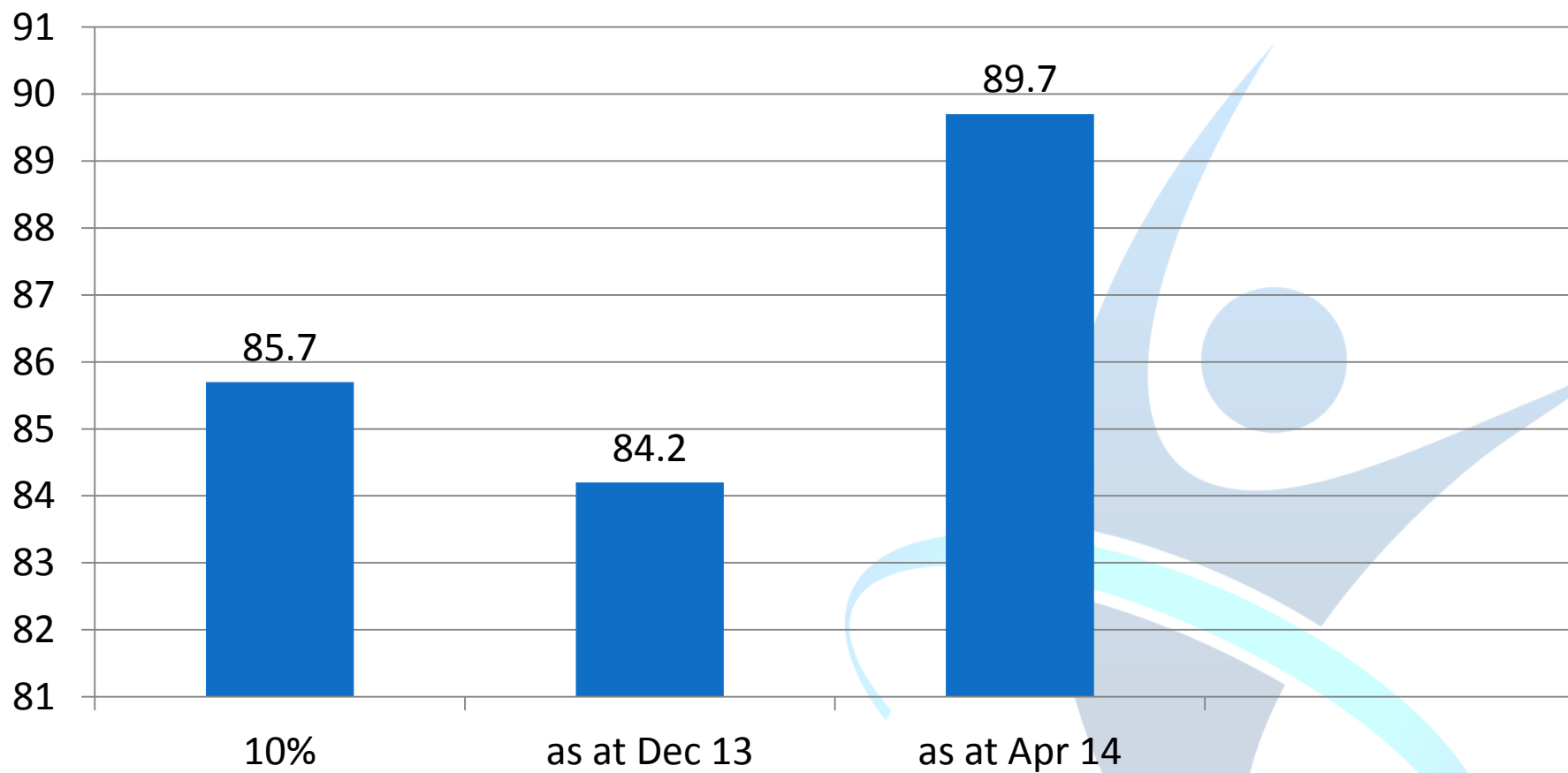
Call closes: 4th July 2014

Financial Allocation: **€1.5 million**

To be concluded: September 2014



OP I Gozo Commitments

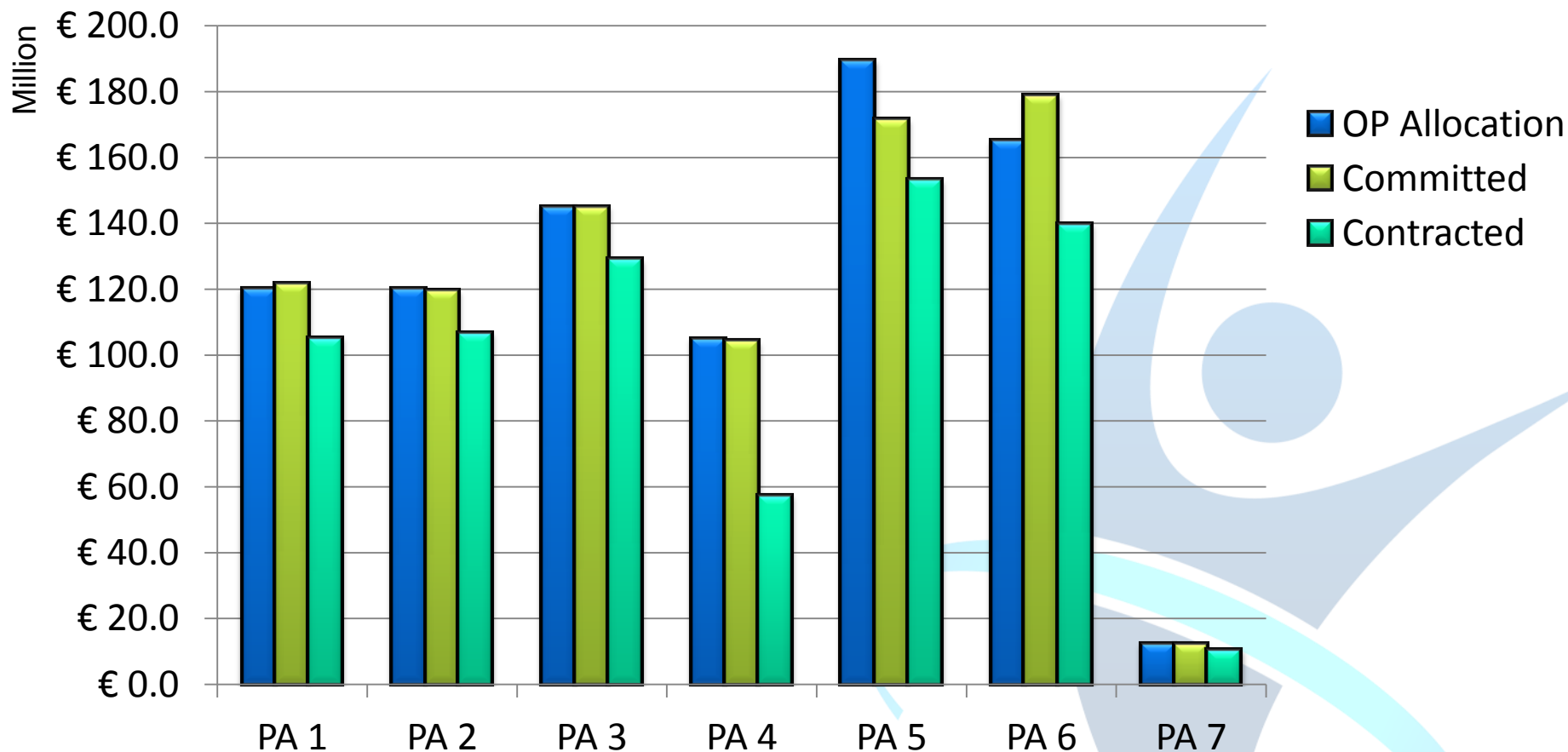




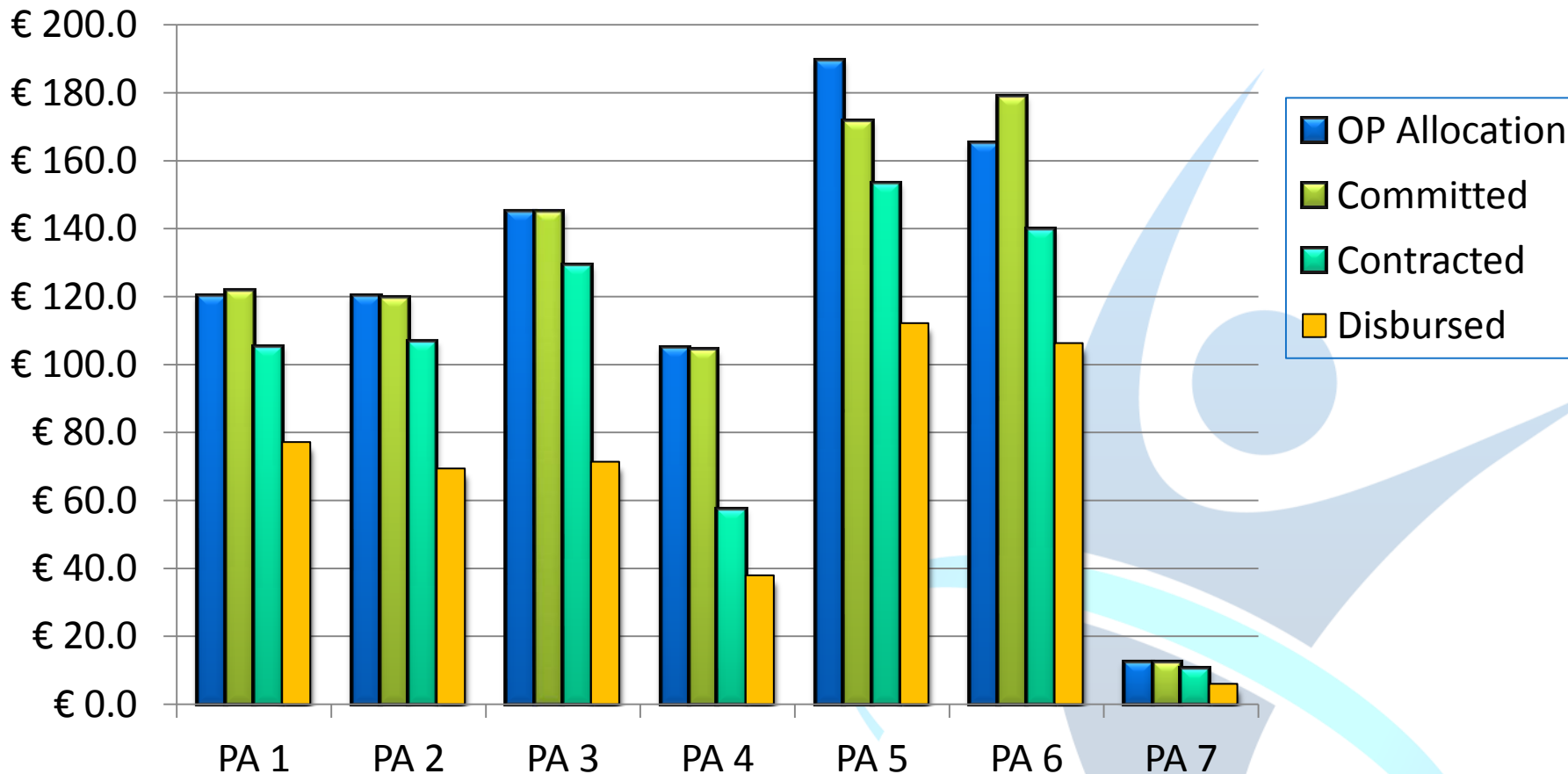
Snapshot: Funds by Beneficiary Type

Beneficiary Type	Projects	Public Eligible Amount
Government Bodies and Public Equivalent Bodies	91	€ 791,915,949
Voluntary Organisations	28	€6,493,093
Local Councils	8	€4,293,622

OP I Contracted Amounts



OP I Disbursed Amounts



Major Projects - Completed

Code	Title	Public Eligible Expenditure
Priority Axis 5		
CF116	Malta South Sewage Treatment Infrastructure	€67,968,031





Major Projects - Ongoing

Code	Title	Public Eligible Expenditure
Priority Axis 3		
CF117	Improvement of the TEN-T Road Infrastructure (Phase I)	€46,447,990
CF125	Improvement of the TEN-T Road Infrastructure (Phase II)	€49,840,345
Priority Axis 5		
CF118	Rehabilitation & Restoration of Closed Landfills	€18,926,172
CF 119	Malta North Mechanical & Biological Treatment Plant	€31,407,259
CF120	National Flood Relief Project	€42,844,902
Priority Axis 6		
ERDF196	Mater Dei Hospital Oncology Centre	€44,302,722

PA3 - CF 117: Improvement of the TEN-T Road Infrastructure – Phase I (TM):

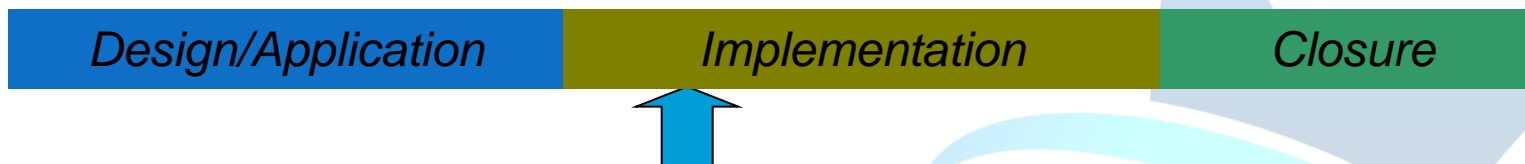
Focus Area: Road Transport Links



Public Eligible	Contracts	Payments	Certified
€46,447,990	€ 43,501,171	€39,033,196.06	€38,115,121.36

PA 3 - CF 125: Improvement of the TEN-T Road Infrastructure – Phase II (TM):

Focus Area: Road Transport Links



Public Eligible	Contracts	Payments	Certified
€49,840,345	€49,080,000	€9,798,585.49	€9,798,585.49

PA5 - CF 118: Rehabilitation & Restoration of Closed Landfills (WSM Ltd)

Focus Area: Solid Waste



Public Eligible	Contracts	Payments	Verified
€18,926,172	€12,690,776	€9,229,879.68	€8,215,791.04

PA5 - CF 119: Malta North Mechanical & Biological Treatment Plant (WSM Ltd)

Focus Area: Solid Waste



Public Eligible	Contracts	Payments	Verified
€31,407,259	€27,484,116	€7,986,461.66	€5,892,170.02



PA5 - CF 120: National Flood Relief Project (MTI)

Focus Area: Flood Relief



Public Eligible	Contracts	Payments	Certified
€42,844,902	€35,646,480.35	€22,919,598	€20,481,096

PA6 - ERDF 196: Mater Dei Hospital Oncology Centre (MEH):

Focus Area: Education, Social and Health-related Infrastructure



Public Eligible	Contracts	Payments	Certified
€44,302,722	€36,263,374	€18,468,287	€17,825,040



JASPERS Assistance

As per Action Plan 2014, on-going assistance by JASPERS (technical support and reviewing of project information) currently limited to Transport Malta in the following areas:

- Kappara Junction Upgrade
- Development of a National Transport Master-plan
- Updating of the Feasibility and Environmental Impact Studies for the TEN-T Road Network in Malta

Discussions on the assignments to be undertaken by JASPERS in relation to the 2014-2020 Operational Programme are currently ongoing.

JEREMIE Financial Engineering

Progress achieved as at 31st May 2014. *Figures still need to be verified by the European Investment Fund.*

OP Committed	€12 million
Portfolio Size	€62.6 million
Results achieved so far (as at 31/05/2014)	
Loans Sanctioned	> 700
No of SMEs involved	> 600
Amounts disbursed	> €48 million
Total Investment	> €100 million



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COHESION FUND
MALTA 2007-2013



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Lisbon Agenda – Earmarking

OP Earmarking Allocation €301.1 M (EU Share)

Committed (earmarking) up to 31.12.13:
€286.7M (EU Share)

Committed (earmarking) to date: €308.2M (EU Share)



Monitoring & Reporting Structures

- **High Level Meetings**
 - 7 Project Progress Meetings held since January 2014
 - 97 projects discussed
 - 14 Ministries involved
 - Chaired by the Parliamentary Secretary for EU Funds & the Permanent Secretary
- **Ministerial Project Steering Committees**
 - 5 Ministerial Project Steering Committee meetings were held since January 2014



Monitoring & Reporting Structures (2)

- **Intermediate Bodies Network Meetings**
 - 1 IB Network Meeting carried out since January 2014
- **IMCC Human Capital Meeting**
- **Bi-annual Project Progress Reports – 73 received between July – December 2013**
- **SFD07-13 Continuous Developments & Enhancements**



Publicity: Activities

- PPCD hosted an information stand providing information about EU-funded projects at the:
 - ✓ EURES European Job Days Fair at the Phoenicia Hotel, Floriana on the 17th and 18th January 2014
- Continued with the campaign to promote the achievement made to date in the implementation of Cohesion Policy in Malta



Training and Capacity Building

since November 2013

Type	Topics	No of participants
Stakeholders' Training	• Seminar on Exploring the Use of Simplified Cost Options (ESF & ERDF) 2014 – 2020	76
	• Training on Findings noted by the Audit Authority during Audit on Operations carried out in 2013	158
Beneficiaries' Training	• Structural Funds Database 2007 – 2013 (SFD 07-13) Training for beneficiaries and new recruits	35
Training Abroad	• Various	10



Evaluations 2007 – 2013

Thematic Evaluation Operational Programme I

- Update of the Progress Achieved to Date:

Second Draft Report on Initiatives Competitiveness	16 th April 2014
Second Draft Report on Improvement of Quality of Life	30 th April 2014



Evaluation

External Evaluations and DG REGIO Meetings

- Expert Exchange System for ERDF and CF (DG REGIO)
- Ex Post Evaluation for ERDF and CF Programmes 2007-2013 (DG REGIO)
- DG REGIO Evaluation Network Meetings (March, 2014)



Statements of Expenditure

Statements of Expenditure	Cumulative Amounts (Public Eligible) (CF)	Cumulative Amounts (Public Eligible) (ERDF)
Verified - Dec 2013	€ 158,941,230	€ 265,054,917
Verified - April 2014	€ 175,708,951	€ 276,638,251
<u>Certified</u> - April 2014	<u>€ 175,708,951</u>	<u>€ 276,638,251</u>
Planned SoEs 2014	Expenditure Targets as at 2014 (PE) CF	Expenditure Targets as at 2014 (PE) ERDF
5 SoEs Conclusion of May SoE is ongoing	€ 291,173,611	€ 426,619,098



Statements of Expenditure May 2014

Statements of Expenditure (May 2014)	Cumulative Amounts (Public Eligible)
Verification ongoing (CF Mainstream Projects & Adjustments)	€ 11,712,202
Verification ongoing (ERDF Mainstream Projects & Adjustments)	€ 17,654,857
<u>Total to be Verified</u>	<u>€ 29,367,059</u>



Payments from EC (OPI)

Description	€	€	% of OP Allocation
OP Allocation		728,123,051	
Advance Payment	69,793,250		10%
Reimbursements as at October 13	281,820,943		39%
Reimbursements (Nov 13)	9,026,344		1%
Reimbursements (Feb & May 14)	<u>53,783,041</u>		<u>7%</u>
<u>Less Total Reimbursements/Advance</u>		<u>(414,423,578)</u>	57%
Remaining Balance to be Claimed/ Reimbursed		313,699,473	43%



Updates on 2014-2020 Programme

- **PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT** formally submitted to CION on 1st April 2014. Feedback from CION is to be received shortly
- OP (ERDF/CF) PUBLIC CONSULTATION closes **16th June 2014**
- OP envisaged to be formally submitted to CION by end **June 2014**



Updates on 2014-2020 Programme (cont)

- **Ex Ante Evaluation for Structural Funds 2014-2020**

Milestones achieved so far:

- Ex ante evaluation of the Partnership Agreement - Draft version
- Ex ante evaluation of the Operational Programme – Inception Report

- **Strategic Environmental Assessment 2014-2020**

Milestones achieved so far:

- Inception Report
- SEA Screening Templates
- SEA Evaluation Report



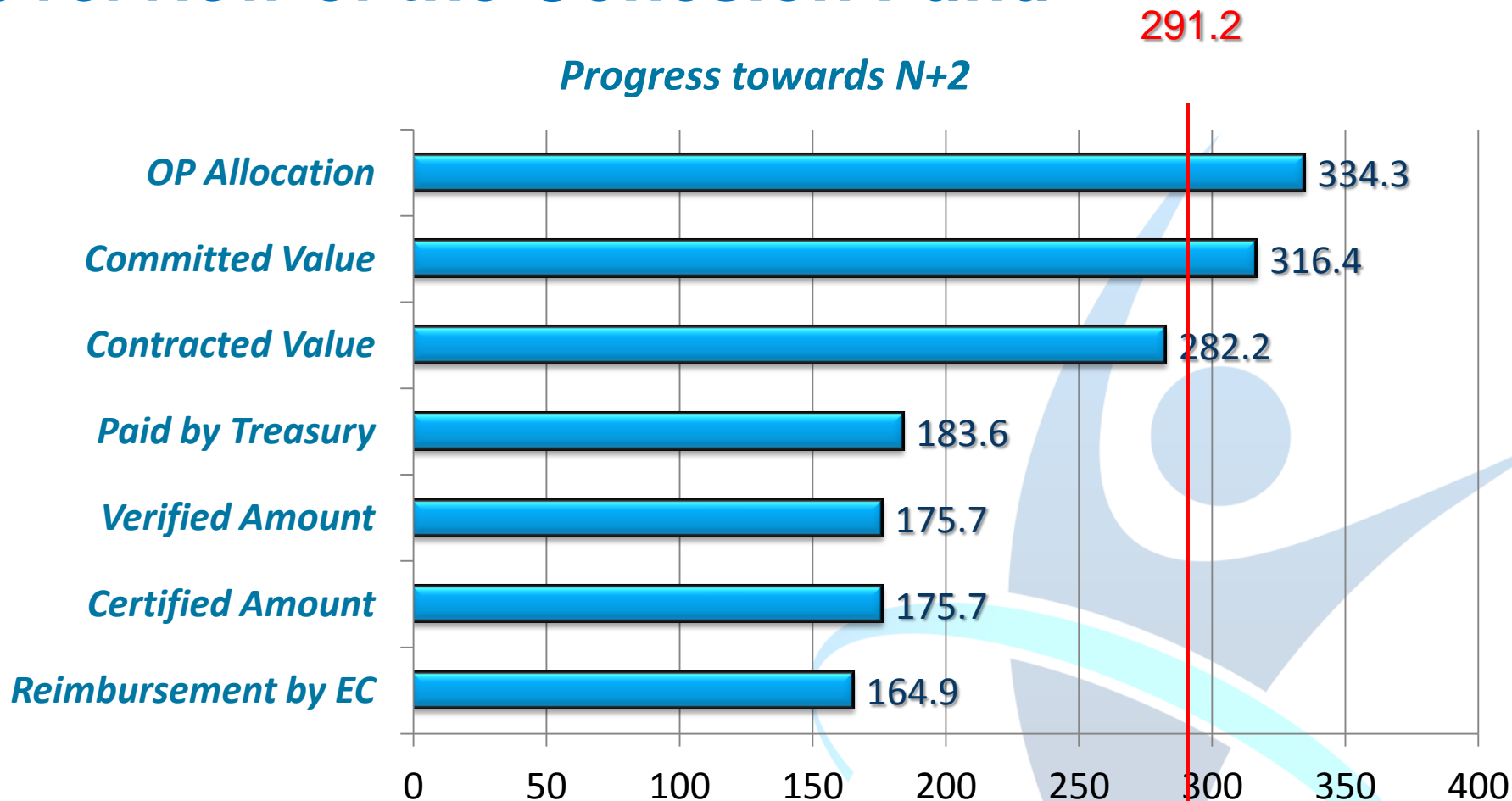
Concluding Remarks

- **All stakeholders' input is critical at this stage to reach our targets!**
- **2014 will be a challenging year: N+2 targets, further audits**
- **Implementation of the New Programme 2014 – 2020 will start in parallel to the closure of the 2007 – 2013 programming period**



Overview of the Cohesion Fund

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Overview of the European Regional Development Fund

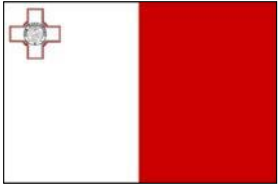
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Thank You



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Event part-financed by the European Union
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Co-financing rate: 85% EU Funds; 15% National Funds.



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