

Funding priorities as mentioned in the Position of the Commission Services on the development of Partnership Agreement and programmes for the period 2014-2020

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1. Strengthening research, technological development and innovation										
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Strengthen (international) co-operation to strengthen research, technological development and innovation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve the quality, efficiency and capacity of tertiary education and strengthen research capacity		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote private business investment in research and development activities	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support knowledge transfer / the knowledge triangle, incubators, technology parks, clusters, etc	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Foster knowledge transfer, research and innovation in agriculture, forestry, aquaculture and rural areas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance innovative use of eco-system services and eco-innovation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support Key Enabling Technologies (KET)	X		X	X	X	X	X		X
	Improve preparation and implementation of public procurements / public procurements for innovation			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve the management of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)							X	X	
2. Enhancing access to and use and quality of ICT										
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
	Stimulate investment in ICT	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
	Improve ICT access in rural areas	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
	Promote e-commerce, and business-to- business (B2B) e-services			X		X	X	X	X	X
	Strengthen e-government and online public services			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve ICT training and certification		X	X		X	X	X	X	X
3. Enhancing the competitiveness of SMEs, the agricultural sector and the fisheries and aquaculture sector										
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Reduce legal and/or administrative burden for SMEs			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Strengthening entrepreneurial potential through training and (advisory) services	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Forster internationalisation of businesses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support knowledge transfer / the knowledge triangle, incubators, technology parks, clusters, etc	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support environmental management systems in industry and SMEs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Improve access to finance for SMEs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhancing business innovation and competitiveness in agriculture, forestry and aquaculture	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Diversify economic activities in rural and/or coastal territories	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance innovative use of eco-system services and eco-innovation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote creative and cultural industries / creative services and designs			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Foster 'Blue Growth' (marine tourism, blue energy, blue biotechnology, aquaculture)	X			X			X	X	X
	Develop (specific forms of) tourism	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Promote social entrepreneurship	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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4. Supporting the shift towards a low-carbon economy in all sectors											
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support environmental management systems in industry and SMEs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Increase energy efficiency of public and/or private buildings	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Shift towards low-carbon economy in agriculture, forestry and/or aquaculture	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	(Further) promote integrated urban development plans	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Promote sustainable transport (not specifically urban)			X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Promote sustainable urban mobility	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Promote renewable energy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support the (further) development of smart energy distribution grids / energy storage solutions	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance natural CO2 sequestration	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Reduce nitrous oxide, ammonia and methane emissions from agriculture	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Promote public awareness / mainstream energy issues		X	X		X	X	X	X		
	Enhance district heating systems			X	X	X	X	X	X		
5. Promoting climate change adaptation, risk prevention and management											
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	under "Obj. 6"	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Increase cross-border / transnational cooperation to manage risks	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Enhance national climate change adaptation strategy / risk management plans	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance disaster management / post disaster recovery		X			X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance flood management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance resilience of infrastructure	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Enhance resilience of agriculture, forestry and aquaculture	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Reduce effects of drought	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Preserve local genetic resources / local crop varieties	X			X		X	X	X	X	X
	Reduce forest fire risk	X				X	X	X	X	X	X
	Reduce coastal erosion	X			X			X	X	X	X
	Increase resilience of local communities, exercising emergency response procedures						X				

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6. Protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency										
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote environmentally sound farming systems	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote sustainable forest management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote sustainable aquacultures and fishing	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote sustainable management of marine resources and coastal zones	X			X			X	X	X
	Improve / protect soil quality	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Support measures to reduce soil erosion	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support measures to reduce soil sealing	X	X	X		X	X		X	
	Support the regeneration of contaminated sites, brownfields	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve water and waste water management	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support the restoration of rivers / river basin management		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve solid waste management			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve / protect air quality	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Protect and restore biodiversity and natural landscapes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Support the sustainable management of Natura 2000 and high value areas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve the (urban) environment by preserving and valorising cultural and historical heritage					X	X	X	X	X
	Increase stakeholder and consumer awareness about sustainability and environmentally friendly products			X		X	X		X	
7. Promoting sustainable transport and removing bottlenecks in key network infrastructures										
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve cross-border links, reduce time of border crossing			X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Promote sustainable transport (not specifically urban)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote sustainable urban mobility	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Develop a comprehensive, high quality and interoperable railway systems in particular through investing in the railway TEN-T			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance regional mobility through connecting secondary and tertiary nodes to TEN-T infrastructure			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance (specific) motorways and road safety			X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Enhance multimodal transport and transport sector strategy		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve navigability and multimodal facilities on the Danube (for AT: Promote transfer of good practice)		X			X	X	X	X	X
	Upgrade maritime port infrastructure				X			X	X	
	Build capacity in customs systems				X	X	X	X	X	
	Address cross-border crime and security					X		X	X	

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8. Promoting employment and supporting labour market mobility										
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote sustainable integration of young people not in employment, education or training (NEET) into the labour market	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance adaptability of workers and participation in effective lifelong learning	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Promote the sustainable integration of low skilled workers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Promote the sustainable integration of marginalised communities and Roma	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote the sustainable integration of people with disabilities	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance the employment and income opportunities of long-term unemployed and integration of people at risk of poverty	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote active and healthy ageing	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
	Promote equality between men and women and reconciliation between work and private life	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support parents with young children	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Foster diversification of employment in the agricultural and aquaculture sectors and rural areas and coastal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Modernise and strengthen labour market institutions			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote self-employment, entrepreneurship and business creation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
9. Promoting social inclusion and combating poverty										
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote active inclusion	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Invest in health and social infrastructure and services		X	X	X		X	X	X	X
	Reduce health inequalities		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve care services for children and the elderly	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support the transition from institutional care to community-based care services		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote social entrepreneurship	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Support the physical and economic regeneration of deprived urban areas.		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote social inclusion, poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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10 Investing in education, skills and lifelong learning											
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Promote good quality of early- childhood, primary and secondary education	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Promote equal access to early- childhood, primary and secondary education	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Increase access to early- childhood, primary and secondary education for migrants and Roma	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X
	Increase access to early- childhood, primary and secondary education in disadvantaged areas / rural areas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Implement comprehensive and consistent policies to reduce early school leaving (ESL)	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	
	Promote good quality / availability of vocational and educational training (VET)	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve the quality, efficiency and capacity of tertiary education and strengthen research capacity		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Enhance adaptability of workers and participation in effective lifelong learning	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Invest in (specific) education and training infrastructures		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	
11 Enhancing institutional capacity and an efficient public administration											
	CSF Objective listed in Country Position Paper			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Investment in institutional capacity and in the efficiency of public administrations and public services			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Foster the empowerment of civil society, non-governmental organisations, social partners, etc.			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Combat corruption, increase transparency			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Strengthen e-government and online public services (see ICT)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Improve quality, efficiency and transparency of the judiciary system			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Improve preparation and implementation of public procurements / public procurements for innovation			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Improve the management of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)							X	X	X	
	Transpose and correctly apply Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA)			X	X	X			X	X	