

2014-2020 ESI Funds Growth Programme for England



heart of the
south west

local enterprise partnership



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European Structural and Investment Funds Growth Programme for England

ESI Funds Growth Programme for England comprises:

- European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)
- European Social Fund (ESF)
- Some European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) monies



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ESI Funds Growth Programme for England - National Arrangements

- National programme with ESI Funds Growth Programme Board overseeing delivery
- 3 Operational Programmes – ERDF, ESF and Rural Development Programme for England (EAFRD)
- 3 Managing Authorities – DCLG for ERDF, DWP for ESF and DEFRA for EAFRD



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ERDF Operational Programme (OP)

4 main Priority Axes:

- PA1 - Research and Innovation
- PA2 - ICT
- PA3 - Competitiveness of SMEs
- PA4 - Low carbon economy

Each Priority Axis has specific supporting Investment Priorities and output and results indicators / targets. All projects must contribute to delivery of the Operational Programme.



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ESIF Growth Programme for England - Local Arrangements

- Each Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) area has received a notional allocation
- LEP area ESIF Strategy to direct deployment of funds
- LEP area ESI Funds Sub-Committee to advise on local growth conditions and priorities with regard to call specifications, funding applications and implementation.



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HotSW Categories of Regions

For EDRF and ESF, the HotSW includes two ‘Categories of Regions’:

- Transition area of Devon, Plymouth and Torbay
- More Developed area of Somerset

Different financial allocations, output targets and intervention rates for each area. Not all funding opportunities (‘calls’) will cover both areas.



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2014-2020 HotSW ESIF Allocation

	ERDF	ESF	EAFRD
Transition	€50,533,356	€33,709,965	€19,408,588
More Developed	€17,223,832	€16,308,402	
Total	€67,757,189	€50,018,367	

Current exchange rate for ERDF and ESF of 0.78
= £52.9 million ERDF and £39 million ESF



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HotSW ESIF Strategy

5 Integrated Activities:

- A - Maximising Innovation through Transformational Opportunities and Smart Specialisation
- B - Enterprise and SME Competitiveness
- C – Reaching new markets
- D – Digital
- E – Social and Economic Inclusion

Supporting appendices including expected outputs/results and Smart Specialisation Approach



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HotSW ERDF Investment Areas

ERDF OP PA1 – Research and Innovation

- HotSW Integrated Activity A ‘Maximising Innovation’ ERDF investments such as:
 - Opening up specialist infrastructure to support Transformational Opportunities and Smart Specialisation
 - Ecosystems of support for innovation activity
- HotSW Integrated Activity B ‘Enterprise and SME Competitiveness’ investments such as:
 - Developing Ideas and Products
 - Linking students and graduates to industry
- € 15,004,382 for Transition area and € 4,121,116 for More Developed area



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HotSW ERDF Investment Areas

ERDF OP PA2 – ICT

- HotSW Integrated Activity D ‘Digital’ ERDF investments such as:
 - Digital infrastructure
 - Support for SME digital utilisation
- € 4,121,116 for Transition area and € 1,403,695 for More Developed area



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HotSW ERDF Investment Areas

ERDF OP PA3 – Competitiveness of SMEs

- HotSW Integrated Activity B ‘Enterprise and SME Competitiveness’ ERDF investments such as enterprise / incubation space, Growth Hub and business support products
- HotSW Integrated Activity C ‘Reaching New Markets’ ERDF investments such as internationalisation support, manufacturing support and supply chains
- HotSW Integrated Activity E – ‘Social and Economic Inclusion’ ERDF investments such as social enterprise support and enterprise as a route out of worklessness
- € 22,288,881 for Transition area and € 6,532,376 for More Developed area



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HotSW ERDF Investment Areas

ERDF OP PA4 – Low Carbon Economy

- Integrated Activity A ‘Maximising innovation through transformational opportunities and Smart Specialisation’ ERDF investments relating to low carbon Smart Specialisation
- Integrated Activity C ‘Reaching New Markets’ ERDF investments relating to building the market in low carbon technologies
- € 8,566,399 for Transition area and € 5,166,646 for More Developed area



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ERDF Funding Opportunities

- Applications for ERDF may only be submitted in response to a published open call for proposals issued by the Managing Authority
- Two-stage application process
- Match-funding required – 40% for Transition area and 50% for More Developed area
- Next round of ERDF calls for proposals to be published between 11th and 29th April



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