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EU4Health Programme

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EU4Health

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EU4Health

- COVID-19 crisis – the ultimate stress test
 - Shortage of pharmaceuticals, medical devices and medicines
 - Health systems under pressure
 - Manufacturing capability
- Underlying health inequalities
- Burden of non-communicable diseases, including cancer
- Need to improve prevention and control of diseases across borders

Programme Objectives

1. Protect people in the Union from serious cross-border threats to health
2. Increase availability in the Union of medicines, medical devices and other crisis relevant products, contribute to their affordability, and support innovation
3. Strengthen health systems and the healthcare workforce, including by digital transformation and by increased integrated and coordinated work among the Member States, sustained implementation of best practice and data sharing, to increase the general level of public health.

Challenges

- Front-loading of EU4Health budget, with over 80% of the €10,4 billion budget in the first 4 years
- Cross-cutting objectives across Member States and Programmes
- Joint policy implementation between Member States and the Commission
- Implementation with full involvement of Member States right from the start
- COVID 19 lessons learnt
- How outputs will feed into national and EU health policies

New instruments and opportunities

- Transformative investment programme
- EU value added as guiding principle
- Eligibility for the Programme:
 - Member States, EEA
 - Third countries associated to the Programme
 - Legal entities or any international organisations
 - Public sector bodies and non-governmental bodies
- Blending
 - Between grants and loans; between the Programme and investment opportunities
- Co-funding between programmes
- Direct and Indirect management

Crisis Preparedness & Response

- EU4Health
- rescEU
- REACT-EU
- ERDF
- InvestEU
- Recovery & Resilience Facility (reforms)

Research & Innovation

- Horizon Europe
- Digital Europe
- ERDF
- InvestEU

HEALTH

Pilots

- Horizon Europe
- Digital Europe
- EU4Health

Implementation / Deployment

- ERDF
- ESF+
- InvestEU
- Recovery & Resilience Facility (reforms)

Technical Support & Advisory Services

- Technical Support Instrument
- InvestEU
- EU4Health

Small-scale Implementation

- Digital Europe
- EU4Health

Cohesion policy funds and health 2021-2027

From the Common Provisions Regulation

ERDF: 4.4 - Ensuring equal access to health care and **fostering resilience of health systems**

ESF: 4.3.4 - Enhancing the equal and timely access to quality, sustainable and affordable services; improving accessibility, effectiveness and resilience of healthcare systems; improving access to long-term care services

New 5th Window under Invest EU

- New Strategic European Investment window: to reinforce the strategic autonomy and resilience of the European economy in key areas

Eligible sectors

→ Critical healthcare provision, strengthening health crisis response

→ Critical infrastructure

→ Key enabling, transformative, green and digital technologies, and game-changing innovations

→ Manufacturing of ICT components and devices

→ Manufacturing and stockpiling of critical inputs in strategic value chains (pharmaceuticals, medical devices, medical supplies)

→ Critical technologies and inputs for security



STRATEGIC EUROPEAN INVESTMENT

From € 0 to



€ 31 bn

Support for capacity building of National Focal Points (NFPs) for the implementation of the EU4Health programme

- A 36-months Joint Action (2021-2023) in the AWP 2020 of the Health Programme
- Budget: 1.500.000 EUR (EC co-funding)
- 26 partners (23 EU MSs plus NO, SR, MD).
- Coordinator: ES (ISCIII)
- Deadline for Member States to submit their proposal: 6 October 2020
- Objectives:
 - support Member States' NFPs in the implementation of the EU4Health programme
 - support for knowledge management structures at EU-level and at national level for health-related (EU-)funding

Role of the SGPP

- Involve Member States in the implementation of the Programme
- Start joint planning of implementation of Programme
- Consult Member States on big tickets for front-loading
- Discuss different projects/synergies

Conclusion

1. How can we jointly ensure adequate absorption capacity for this new programme?
2. Do you think that indirect management to national health institutions is one of the ways of addressing this new health programme?