



JASPERS Networking Platform

Webinar: Climate proofing of infrastructure projects in 2021-27 Sharing of experiences and good practices

Date: 18th June 2024, from 09.30 to 15.30 CET

Location: Virtual meeting - WebEx

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JASPERS provides independent advice and capacity building support to beneficiary countries to help prepare and assess high quality projects to be co-financed by EU Structural and Cohesion Funds (including Just Transition Fund), by the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA) and by the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF). In the 2021-27 programming period JASPERS has an increased focus on knowledge sharing and on strengthening the capacities of public administrations and project promoters involved in the preparation and implementation of EU-funded programmes and projects.

The JASPERS Networking Platform was created to complement JASPERS project advisory operations by implementing knowledge sharing and capacity building activities, as well as fostering dissemination of good practices and exchange of experiences among all EU member states, pre-accession countries and other JASPERS Stakeholders.

More information is available at <https://jaspers.eib.org/knowledge/index>

Description of the Webinar

The Common Provision Regulations calls for Managing Authorities to ensure the climate proofing of investments in infrastructure which have an expected lifespan of at least 5 years. Climate proofing will be also required for investments to be financed by the InvestEU fund and for selected calls under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF). It is a challenging topic and JASPERS supports several EU Member States in concretely implementing the climate proofing requirements at national and regional level and provides them with technical capacity building and advice.

JASPERS in cooperation with the DG REGIO is organising the webinar "**Climate proofing of infrastructure projects in 2021-27 – Sharing of experiences and good practices**".

This webinar aims at fostering knowledge sharing on good practices and exchange of experiences among Managing Authorities, implementing bodies and line ministries dealing with the implementation of climate proofing requirements at national and regional level across EU Member States.

The webinar will include:

- Panel discussion with representatives from Managing Authorities and relevant Ministries on the implementation of the climate proofing requirement, best practices and obstacles encountered.
- Discussion session which will give all participants the chance to talk about the experience and challenges for implementing this important requirement.



- Presentation of climate adaptation guidance and tools that JASPERS has prepared to facilitate the climate resilience assessment within the climate proofing exercise.
- Open session that will give the chance to the participants to express the needs for further advisory support and capacity building related to climate proofing.

The webinar will be held in English and participants will have the chance to join Q&A sessions.

Participants are encouraged to submit questions and to share their own experiences related to the webinar's topics when filling the pre-event questionnaire included in the online registration form. Received questions will be included in the debates and Q&A sessions in the webinar.

FINAL AGENDA

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| 09:30 – 09:45 | Welcome and introduction on JASPERS and available capacity building support Massimo Marra, Principal Advisor, Capacity Building Coordinator, EIB JASPERS |
| 09:45 – 09:55 | Opening remarks: climate proofing requirement in EU Policy 2021-2027 Angela Olcina Sala, DG REGIO Luis Hebrero, EIB JASPERS |
| 09:55 – 10:20 | Climate proofing of infrastructure projects 2021-2027: JASPERS support on implementation at National level and capacity building Ioanna Kourti, Senior Climate Change Specialist, EIB JASPERS |
| 10:20 – 11:40 | Panel discussion: experience with climate proofing implementation and capacity building at National level Moderated by Massimo Marra ; Panelists: Pia Marconi, Dipartimento per le politiche di coesione e per il sud, Italy Gabriel Mezang Nkodo, Ministry of Cohesion and Regional Development, Slovenia Nora Valentinyi, Ministry of Public Administration and Regional Development, Hungary Natalija Simunovic, Ministry of Regional Development and EU Funds, Croatia Piotr Czarnocki, Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland Alexandros Koulidis, Ministry of Environment and Energy, Greece |
| 11:40 – 12:00 | Discussion and Q&A All participants |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | Lunch Break |
| 13:00 - 13:45 | JASPERS sectoral adaptation guidance for climate resilience assessment Elisabet Vila Jorda, EIB JASPERS and Rallis Kourkoulis, GRID Engineers |
| 13:45 – 14:45 | JASPERS tools for simplified climate resilience assessment for small projects Ioanna Kourti, EIB JASPERS and Fani Gelagoti GRID Engineers |
| 14:45 – 15:15 | Discussion on further technical capacity building needs and tools for climate proofing (open session with Slido) Ioanna Kourti and Mila Popova, EIB JASPERS |
| 15:15 -15:30 | Closing Remarks Massimo Marra, Principal Advisor, Capacity Building Coordinator, EIB JASPERS |