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Project Appraisal support in the context of the Just Transition Fund

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Just Transition Fund- JTF and JASPERS EIB Advisory

Context for JASPERS in JTF:

- JTF – the first of three pillars for EU support for a Just Transition Mechanism, aiming at a fair transition towards a climate-neutral economy. Mainly in different coal-regions in the EU.
- JTF builds on EU grants, and has an overall budget of €17.5 billion for 2021-2027
- The other two pillars offers different combinations of loans and grants to incentivise investments
- In total the JTM, with all pillars, aims to mobilize up to €55 billion of support

Scope for JASPERS and current JTF Portfolio:

- Focus on JTF. EIB Advisory, with JASPERS, also supports initiatives under pillars 2 and 3.
- Technical Assistance on project pipeline generation, prioritisation, project preparation and project reviews
- JASPERS has supported to 82 assignments so far, of which 50 have been completed, with the rest ongoing
- 11 Member States : FR,ES, PT, RO, PL, SK, SL, CZ, GR, IT, BG, HR (bulk of assignments in the Czech Republic)

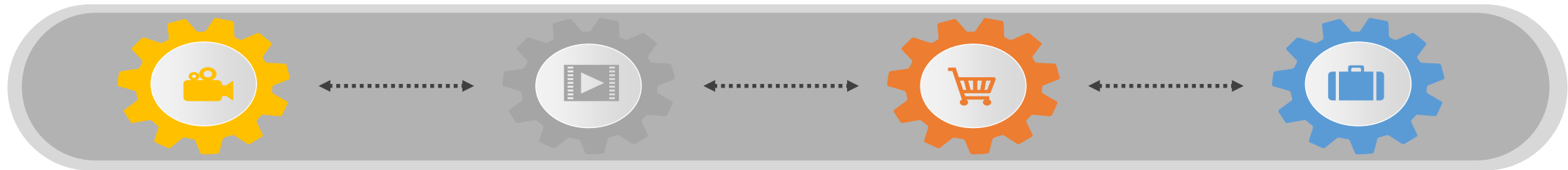
Counterparts:

- Member states (Managing Authorities, Line Ministries and Project beneficiaries)
- European Commission (DG Regio country desks, DG Comp, DG Environment)

Development of process for JTF support

- **How to facilitate JTF assistance through a uniformed support process?**
- **Challenges:**
 - Widespread number of Member States with varying needs.
 - Support needed at regional and/or national level (country dependent)
 - Different type of counterparts (Public authorities, institutions, SMEs and larger companies)
 - Different sectors involved (research, energy, social and cultural areas)
 - Varying institutional capacity and previous experience
 - Different level of maturity of JTF preparation
 - Assistance needed at different project stages
- **Approach**
 - Dedicated internal team, with flexible availability
 - Cross-sector expertise (Research, Innovation, Education, Energy, Urban, State Aid, Environment)
 - Standardized processes and templates for appraisal
 - Dissemination of information through Capacity Building (workshops and website)
 - Close contact with the European Commission (e.g. DG Regio, DG Comp)

JTF Support Chain



Screening

- Rational of project ideas
- Complementarity
- Eligibility for JTF (or pillars 2 or 3)
- Compliance with transition goals
- Value added (e.g. jobs and other benefits)

Preparation

- Assistance for Calls (ToRs etc)
- Direct support for end-beneficiaries (FS and CBA)
- State Aid concerns
- Environmental compliance
- Standardized procedures
- Coordination with EC services (as needed)

Selection

- Additional expert support
- Review of Projects
 - Scope and Demand
 - Options
 - Technical elements
 - Financial and Benefits
 - Timeline and risks
- An impartial final opinion

Implementation

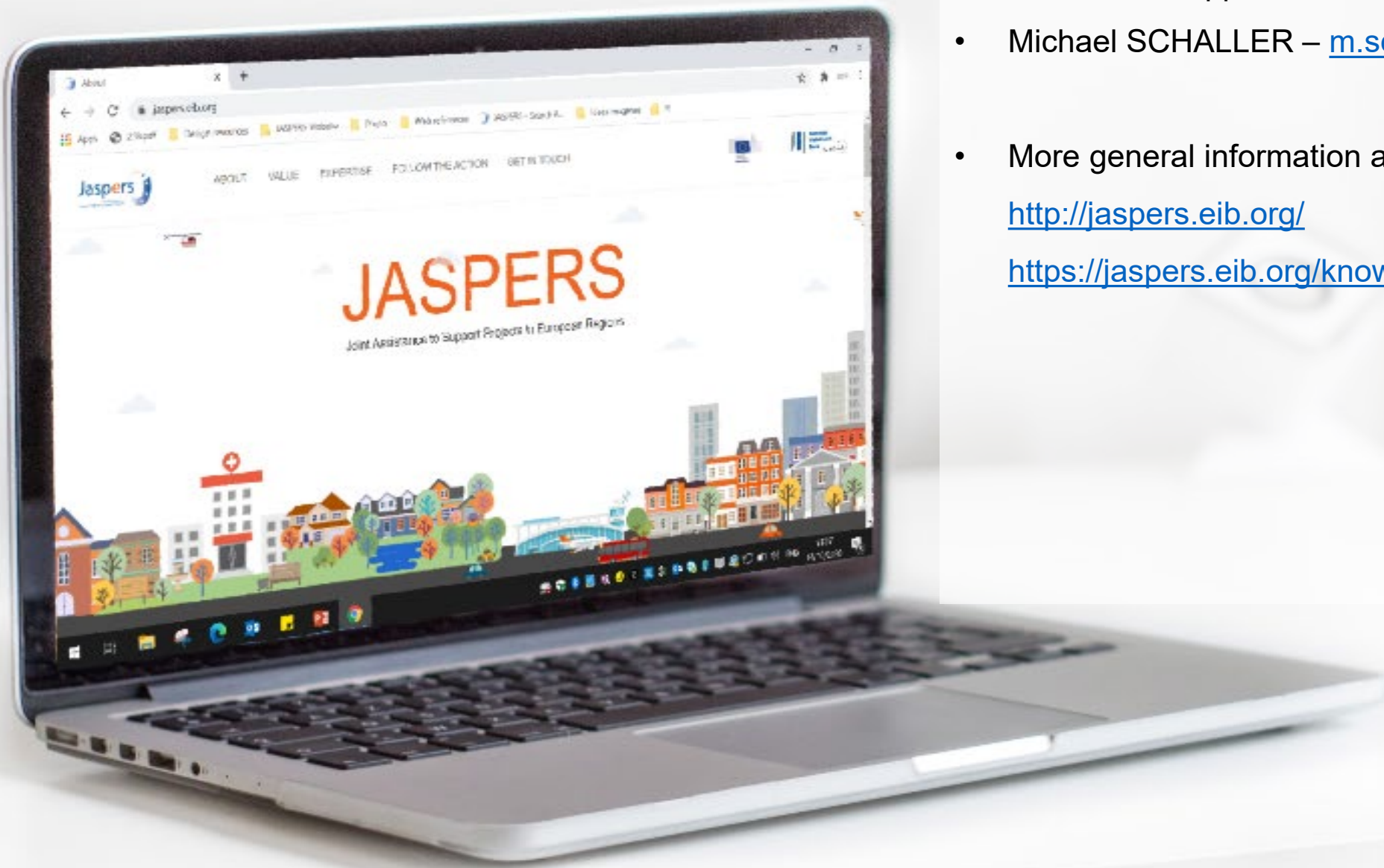
- Discussed on a case-by-case basis
- Follow-up of progress of selected projects
- Early indication of implementation issues

To remember: JASPERS SUPPORT is free, flexible, complimentary and discretionary -> Counterparts are free to consider expert opinions provided, or not.

Examples of JTF Country support

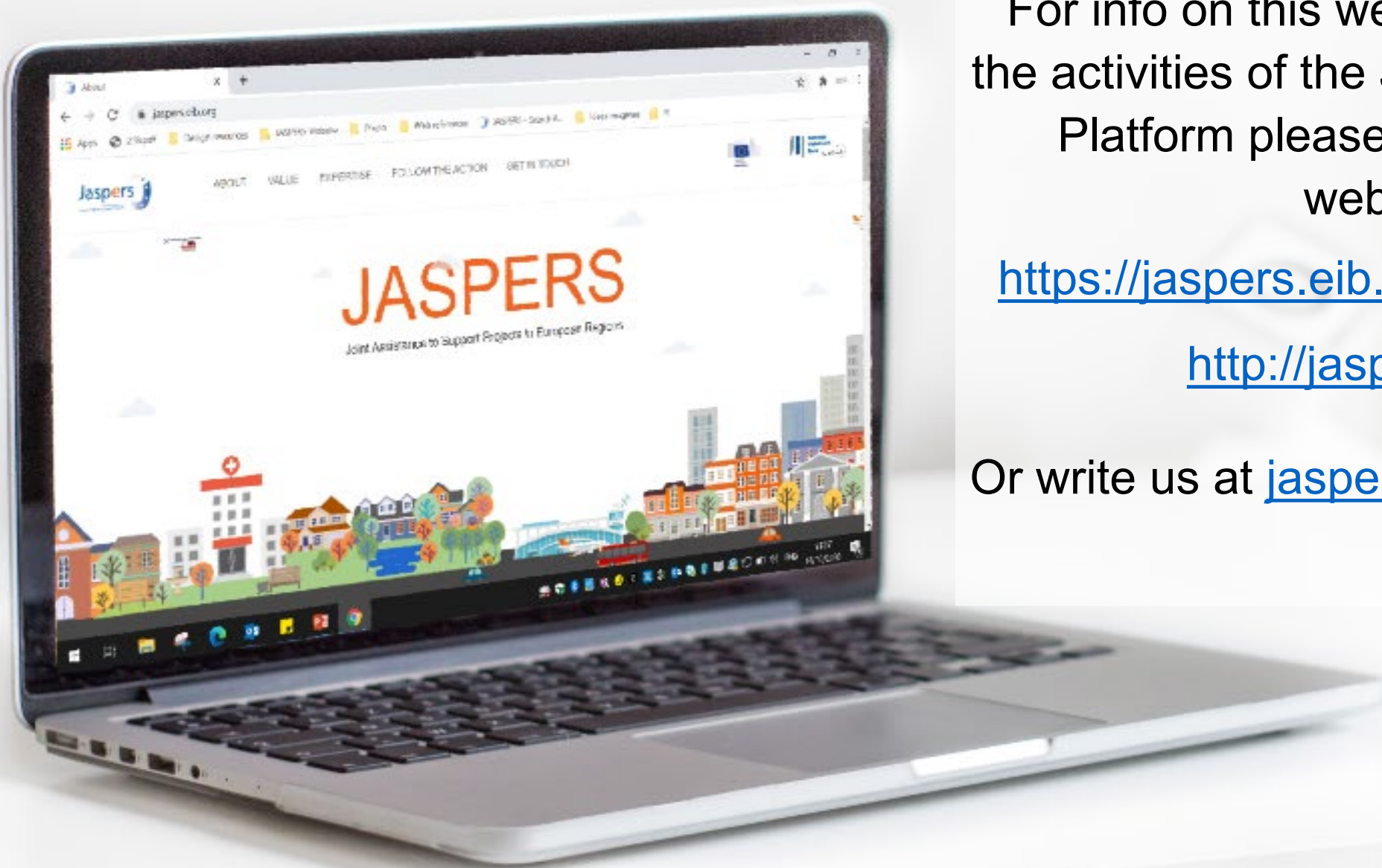
Assistance has taken place based on need and in different stages of the process

- **Screening activities**
 - Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania – first opinion on a large number of project ideas
- **Preparation activities**
 - Czech Republic, Portugal, Spain, France – Advice on Call documents, State Aid. Direct support to Applicants
- **Selection**
 - Czech Republic – Expert review and opinion of submitted JTF strategic projects. Coordination with Commission service
- **Implementation**
 - Process under development - Czech Republic a test case. Reinforcing existing resources



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