

Support on building administrative capacity and horizontal issues

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Mid-term review of Cohesion Policy



■ Main priority policy areas:

- ✓ Innovation and Competitiveness
- Defence and security
- Affordable housing
- √ Water resilience
- Energy transition

□ Climate resilience and support to EU preparedness are cross-cutting themes

- Ensure Cohesion investments are resilient and increase climate resilience, in line with the EU Preparedness Strategy and the concept of preparedness/resilience by design to be embedded into all EU policies
- Reinforce investment in climate-related disaster preparedness/adaptation, building on RESTORE proposal and on build-back-better principle;

□ Reforms and administrative capacity

- ✓ Capacity of public administration and private sector in the delivery of Cohesion's policies and investments is critical
- Review progress on Roadmaps for Capacity Building and consider possible adjustments to accelerate, including needs for additional advisory and TA assistance
- Costs for **preparatory actions for reforms are eligible including for self-standing reforms** (i.e. not accompanied by investments).





- ✓ JASPERS Networking Platform programme of EU-level capacity building, knowledge sharing and horizontal assistance (MCWP)
 - Part of an enhanced focus on technical capacity building and knowledge sharing in 2021-27 as a key mandate objective for JASPERS
 - Synergic with technical capacity building & horizontal activities included in Country Work Programs.
 - Exchange of expertise and experiences between Member States, and from the EU to the national level
- ✓ In-country technical capacity building assignments targeted capacity building (including train-the-trainers) and institutional strengthening assignments
- Advisory and capacity building on horizontal issues relevant to project preparation climate change, environmental issues, economic appraisal, state aid
- ✓ Supporting development and implementation of EC technical guidelines, preparation of JASPERS technical notes and toolkits, dissemination of good practices and case studies
- ✓ Knowledge Sharing Platform: https://jaspers.eib.org/knowledge/index









Assistance in the preparation of sector strategies, programmes, plans

- Assistance on the preparation of sectoral Master Plans, SUMPs, Investment Plans
- Streamlining climate considerations in programmes and plans
- Support to meeting **Enabling Conditions**
- Inputs to Roadmaps for Capacity Building



Support in the selection / assessment / appraisal for projects

- Assistance for project selection criteria and related guidance documents
- Strengthening capacities of MAs/IBs for project appraisal
- Awareness raising/dissemination to project beneficiaries



Support for the preparation / development of projects

- Methodologies for prioritisation of project pipelines
- On-the-job coaching and mentoring during project development assistance
- Ad-hoc workshops, guidance documents, and checklists



Selective support to project implementation

- Assistance on procurement strategies and on Standard Tender Documentation
- Ad-hoc training, guidance documents, and development of checklists
- Support in establishing and strengthening relevant institutions

Advice on Cross-cutting horizontal issues

- Advice on climate proofing/DNSH
- Streamlining climate resilience, environmental and social inclusion considerations (including gender)
- Advice on **State-aid requirements**
- Strategic procurement



Capacity building

networking, knowledge transfer

- Train-the-Trainers programmes
- **Peer-exchanges** and consultations between MSs on key common issues
- Development of **National Guidelines**
- Training for **project beneficiaries and** consultant/designers

Multi-country Knowledge Sharing 2025-27 (EU)



- ✓ Workshops on State aid requirements to project preparation
- ✓ Webinars on good practices and experiences in JTF projects
- Capacity building on Circular Economy strategies and project pipelines
- ✓ Good practices and lessons learned for project assessment and selection in 2021-27
- ✓ Good practices and lessons learned for climate proofing of investments
- ✓ Good practices, methods and tools for Economic Appraisal of investments in 2021-27
- ✓ Gender considerations for project preparation
- ✓ Trainings and webinars on Sustainable Urban Mobility Planning (SUMP)
- ✓ Practical approaches for the development and implementation of Energy Communities
- ✓ Decarbonisation of District heating systems
- ✓ Climate adaptation in Cities
- ✓ Webinars on integrating Nature-based Solutions into project preparation for climate resilience
- ✓ Webinar on climate change measures for hospitals and health infrastructures



All materials are public: https://jaspers.eib.org/knowledge/events/index

Multi-country Work Programme EC guidelines prepared for 2021-27 with JASPERS Assistance





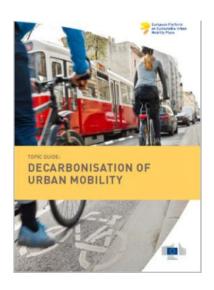




InvestEU Sustainability Proofing



Climate Proofing of Infrastructure



SUMP Topic Guide: Decarbonisation of Urban Mobility



NEB Investment Guidelines and Checklist



Climate proofing of investments co-financed by EU Funds

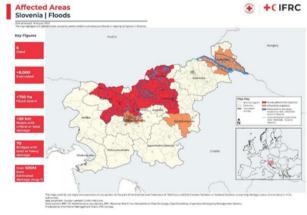


EIB through the JASPERS mandate is providing methodological and practical support, as well as capacity building for the climate proofing of investments at national level in Poland, Slovenia, Greece, Croatia, Italy (National and Regional level), Malta and Spain.

This support includes:

- Development of detailed national guidelines in line with EC and EIB requirements and reflecting national priorities and specificities
- Sectoral guidance related to climate resilience proofing and carbon footprint assessment
- Country-specific case studies on climate neutrality and climate resilience assessment
- Support to the managing authorities in the appraisal of climate proofing assessments developed by project promoters
- Dissemination/information sessions and capacity building for the MAs and relevant stakeholders (including project promoters and their Consultants/Designers.

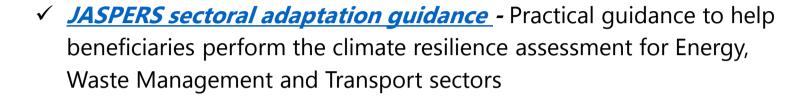






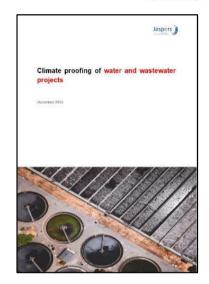
Guidance & tools developed by JASPERS to support

climate resilience proofing



- ✓ Excel tools for climate resilience assessment of small projects:
 - Buildings
 - Water/Wastewater
 - Urban Regeneration
- ✓ Climate proofing guidance and case studies for <u>Water/Wastewater</u> & <u>Flood/Disaster Risk Management</u>
- ✓ Other guidance and case studies planned for Q4 2025 (e,g on NbS)







Cross-sectoral and Capacity Building assistance Going forward



STANDARDISE EIB ADVISORY OFFERING

- Develop organisational capacity, skills and processes to accelerate investment readiness of organisations
- Supporting structural reforms for unlocking barriers in designing and financing viable investment projects
- Development of manuals, methodological guidance, factsheets, e-learning
- Training, seminars, workshops, awareness raising & networking events
- Exchange of expertise between MSs, from the EU level to the national level, or among country partners and with EC
- Coaching, mentoring and training in project identification, project preparation, and project management
- Share data, knowhow and best practices to support project pipelines, sector development and key investment topics



Ongoing stocktake of experiences to date and mapping of relevant activities across EIB mandates to:

- Identify synergies for expanded and more structured offering to respond to actual and emerging needs
- Enhance products definition and standardization for improved quality, consistency and efficient delivery
- Prioritise key areas and explore innovative delivery modes to maximise impact with limited resources





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In-country capacity building support Some other examples



Poland

Support to updating the existing national guide for climate proofing of projects

Portugal

Seminars on Climate Change for the Transport sector

Malta

Trainings for Cost-benefit Analysis and Economic Appraisal

Croatia

Seminars on Cost-benefit Analysis & support to CB Action Plan (including on Environment and Climate)

Greece

Training seminars on EIA, Climate Change, Cost-benefit Analysis and State aid

Italy

Strengthening the capacity of Regional administrations and final beneficiaries in Campania and Calabria

Slovenia

Support to the strengthening capacities for project appraisal of EU funds

Hungary

Train-the-trainers for Costbenefit Analysis

Croatia

Support to the establishment of a national project appraisal function for 2021-27

Bulgaria

Support to the Bulgarian PA Institute for training on EU funds requirements in projects



