

EaSI *ex post* evaluation and EPMF final evaluation stakeholders' open consultation

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Introduction

Online public consultation questionnaire

The ex post evaluation of the Employment and Social Innovation Programme (EaSI) and the final evaluation of the European Progress Microfinance Facility (EPMF)

This public consultation aims to inform the ex post evaluation of the Employment and Social Innovation Programme (EaSI) and the final evaluation of the European Progress Microfinance Facility (EPMF) carried out in accordance with Article 13(4) and Article 38(1) of the EaSI Regulation 1296/2013, and Article 9 of the EPMF Decision 283/2010. The evaluation shall cover the five evaluation criteria — relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, coherence and EU added-value — as endorsed by the Better Regulation Guidelines.

EaSI was launched in 2014 and ended in 2020. Its three axes supported the modernisation of employment and social policies (PROGRESS), facilitating access to labour markets and job mobility (EURES), and increasing access to micro-finance and social entrepreneurship (Microfinance/Social Entrepreneurship). Cross-cutting aims — such as paying attention to vulnerable groups, promoting gender equality, fighting against any type of discrimination, and combating poverty and social exclusion — were supported across all three axes. The EaSI budget amounted to EUR 919 million. EaSI was directly managed by the European Commission (DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion) based on calls for proposals and tenders. The EaSI Microfinance/Social Entrepreneurship axis financial products (EaSI

Guarantee Instrument, EaSI Funded Instrument and EaSI Capacity Building Investments Window) were implemented indirectly, by entrusting budget and tasks to the European Investment Fund (EIF).

The European Progress Microfinance Facility (EPMF) was launched in 2010 and operated until 2016. It was funded by the European Commission and the European Investment Bank and managed by the EIF. Its overall budget amounted to 203 million EUR. EPMF offered to financial intermediaries from EU Member States (banks and non-bank institutions) the possibility to apply for funded instruments (loan and equity instruments) or guarantees in order to strengthen their microfinance portfolio. The selected financial intermediaries provided micro-loans up to 25 000 EUR to micro-entrepreneurs. Both the EaSI Guarantee and the EaSI Funded Instrument built on the success of the European Progress Microfinance Facility (EPMF).

About you

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- Academic/research institution
- Business association
- Company/business organisation
- Consumer organisation
- EU citizen
- Environmental organisation
- Non-EU citizen
- Non-governmental organisation (NGO)
- Public authority
- Trade union
- Other

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* Organisation name

255 character(s) maximum

EuroHealthNet - a not-for-profit European Partnership for Health, Equity, and Wellbeing

* Organisation size

- Micro (1 to 9 employees)
- Small (10 to 49 employees)
- Medium (50 to 249 employees)
- Large (250 or more)

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- Botswana
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- Haiti
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- Netherlands
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- New Zealand
- Nicaragua
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Niue
- Norfolk Island
- Northern Mariana Islands
- North Korea
- North Macedonia
- Norway
- South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands
- South Korea
- South Sudan
- Spain
- Sri Lanka
- Sudan
- Suriname
- Svalbard and Jan Mayen
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Syria
- Taiwan
- Tajikistan
- Tanzania
- Thailand
- The Gambia
- Timor-Leste
- Togo
- Tokelau
- Tonga
- Trinidad and Tobago
- Tunisia
- Turkey

- Cape Verde
- Cayman Islands
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- Chile
- China
- Christmas Island
- Clipperton
- Cocos (Keeling) Islands
- Colombia
- Comoros
- Congo
- Cook Islands
- Costa Rica
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- Palestine
- Panama
- Papua New Guinea
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Philippines
- Pitcairn Islands
- Poland
- Portugal
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- Qatar
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- Romania
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How familiar are you with the EaSI programme 2014-2020, the EaSI axes (PROGRESS, EURES and Microfinance/Social Entrepreneurship), and the EPMF 2010-2016?

	Not at all familiar	Slightly familiar	Moderately familiar	Very familiar	Do not know
* EaSI programme	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* PROGRESS axis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EURES axis	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Microfinance/Social Entrepreneurship axis (MF/SE)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* European Progress Microfinance Facility (EPMF)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

To what extent was EaSI a relevant programme to...

	Not at all relevant	Slightly relevant	Moderately relevant	Very relevant	Do not know
* Produce concrete, coordinated and innovative actions, in close collaboration with the social partners, as well as civil society organisations and public and private bodies.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Support the development of adequate, accessible and efficient social protection systems and labour markets and facilitate policy reform.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Contribute to modernising Union law, in line with decent work principles.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Promote workers' voluntary geographical mobility on a fair basis and boost employment opportunities by developing high-quality and inclusive Union labour markets.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Promote employment and social inclusion by increasing the availability and accessibility of microfinance for vulnerable people who wish to start up a micro-enterprise as well as for existing micro-enterprises, and by increasing access to finance for social enterprises.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

To what extent was it relevant for the EaSI programme to..

	Not at all relevant	Slightly relevant	Moderately relevant	Very relevant	Do not know
* Pay particular attention to vulnerable groups, such as young people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Promote equality between women and men, including through gender mainstreaming and, where appropriate, gender budgeting.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Combat discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

* When defining and implementing the Union's policies and activities, promote a high-level of quality and sustainable employment, guarantee adequate and decent social protection, combat long-term unemployment and fight against poverty and social exclusion.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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To what extent do you agree that the EaSI programme was sufficiently flexible to respond to the following challenges and policy priorities?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
* General social, economic and political context in the EU during 2014-2020	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Refugee crisis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* BREXIT	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* COVID-19	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Green transition	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Digital transition	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

*** Were there any other needs or challenges that EaSI did not respond to but should have?**

rise in social inequalities in health - not directly associated with healthcare systems and services, but rather living and working conditions across lifecourse and social gradients

*** Overall, have you observed positive changes that would not have happened in the absence of EaSI?**

- Yes
- No
- Do not know

*** If yes, can you provide specific examples?**

launch of the EPSR, inclusion of principle 16 on access to health; addressing child poverty and social exclusion; addressing psychosocial aspects of the new world of work, distributional impacts across societies and communities; underlying determinants of health and inequalities in good health and wellbeing - political commitment was visible, funds available.

To what extent do you agree that the EaSI programme has...

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
* Strengthened ownership among policymakers and produced concrete, coordinated and innovative actions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Supported the development of adequate, accessible and efficient social protection systems and labour markets to facilitate policy reform	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Ensured that Union law is effectively applied, and, where necessary, contributed to modernising Union law, in line with decent work principles and taking into account the Smart Regulation principles	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Promoted workers' geographical mobility on a fair basis and boosted employment opportunities by developing high-quality and inclusive Union labour markets while respecting workers' rights	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Promoted employment and social inclusion by increasing the availability and accessibility of microfinance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

To what extent do you agree that the EaSI programme has...

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
* Paid particular attention to vulnerable groups, such as young people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Promoted equality between women and men, including through gender mainstreaming and, where appropriate, gender budgeting.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Combatted discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

* When defining and implementing the Union's policies and activities, promoted a high-level of quality and sustainable employment, guarantee adequate and decent social protection, combat long-term unemployment and fight against poverty and social exclusion.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Given the target groups and EaSI objectives, do you think the stakeholders listed below have been sufficiently involved in EaSI?

	Yes	No	Do not know
* Local authority	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Regional authority	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* National authority/Government body/Ministry	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Public Employment Service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Other employment agency (private or NGO)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Workers' organisation/trade union	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Employers' organisation	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Private company	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Social enterprise/social company	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Non-governmental organisation(NGO)/network/platform	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Research institution/academic/university	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Think-tank	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Consultancy	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Financial intermediary (bank and non-bank institution)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Regular banking system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EU institution	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* International organisation	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

*** Do you think the overall budget for EaSI over the 2014-2020 period (919 million EUR) was sufficient to achieve its objectives?**

- Yes, it was sufficient
- No, it was too low
- No, it was too high

Do not know

*** Please explain your answer:**

During the 2014-2020 period it became clear that inequalities within and between Member States and population groups were only slightly improving, but not fast enough and not for all equally. While gains were being made in some areas, progress in others was plateauing or reversing - such as in life and healthy life expectancy, occupational psychosocial health, poverty and social exclusion.

Are you familiar with the predecessor programmes of EaSI (PROGRESS 2007-2013, European Progress Microfinance Facility and EURES)?

	Not at all familiar	Slightly familiar	Moderately familiar	Very familiar	Do not know
* PROGRESS	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* European Progress Microfinance Facility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EURES	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

*** Did EaSI complement the following EU programmes? Please tick all that apply.**

- European Social Fund (ESF)
- European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)
- European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
- Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD)
- Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)
- Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme (CERV)
- Euraxess
- Erasmus
- Horizon 2020
- COSME
- Solvit
- Other
- None of the above
- Do not know

*** If other, please specify which programmes EaSI complemented.**

EU Health Programme 2014-2020

**To what extent do you agree with the following statements about how EaSI co
mplemented other similar EU initiatives?**

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
* The objectives of EaSI did not overlap with the objectives of other EU-level instruments/programmes (e.g. ESF, Euraxess, Erasmus+, Horizon 2020, COSME, Solvit, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EaSI complemented the actions of other EU-level programmes (e.g. ESF, Euraxess, Erasmus+, Horizon 2020, COSME, Solvit, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*** Please explain your responses above on EaSI’s coherence with EU-level initiatives:**

coherence and complementarity was visible in theory; in practice it was of course still work in progress

To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the way EaSI complements other national initiatives?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
* EaSI complemented actions of national programmes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The objectives of EaSI overlapped with the objectives of other national-level instruments/programmes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* Nationally funded initiatives were more efficient than EaSI	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

*** Please explain your responses above on EaSI’s coherence with national initiatives:**

our members were telling us EaSI actions were of added value to what was happening at (sub)national levels

*** In the current programming period (2021 – 2027) does it make sense to split and reallocate the EaSI type of activities among ESF+/EaSI strand, European Labour Authority (ELA) and InvestEU programmes?**

- Strongly disagree

- Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly agree
- Do not know/not applicable

To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the added value of the EaSI programme at the EU level?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
* The EaSI programme has added to, or supported, existing actions or policy areas at EU level	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The EaSI programme has broadened existing actions at EU level by supporting groups that would not have received support otherwise	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Lessons learned from the implementation of the EaSI programme have been applied elsewhere at EU level	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The EaSI programme has changed operational processes, including in relation to other EU sources of funding	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the added value of the EaSI programme at the Member State/regional level?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
* The EaSI programme has added to, or supported, existing actions or policy areas at national or regional level	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* The EaSI programme has broadened existing actions at national or regional level by supporting groups that would not have received support otherwise	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* Lessons learned from the implementation of the EaSI programme have been applied elsewhere at national or regional level	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

* The EaSI programme has changed operational processes, including in relation to other national or regional sources of funding	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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*** Have you heard about the results or impact of EaSI activities or projects?**

- Yes
- No
- Do not know

*** How have you heard about the results or impact of EaSI activities/ projects?**

Please tick all options that apply.

- Via your own research on the Internet/official EU websites
- Via your organisation that disseminated information about EaSI
- Via social media
- Via newspapers/other regular media
- Via other stakeholders
- Via other channels
- Do not know

*** If via other stakeholders or channels, please specify:**

EaSI-funded NGOs

*** How satisfied are you with dissemination activities and the quality of content disseminated?**

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Not very satisfied
- Not at all satisfied
- Do not know/no opinion

To what extent do you agree with the following statements concerning the need for EU support to a range of policy issues?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Do not know/not applicable
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* EU support is required to develop institutional capacity of financial intermediaries (e.g. microcredit providers)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to facilitate crossborder partnerships	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to facilitate the exchange of information, good practices, and team building of stakeholders across the EU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to improve employment opportunities across the EU	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to increase jobseekers' mobility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to fight social exclusion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to fight discrimination	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to improve the working conditions of citizens (e.g. decent work, health and safety at work, a healthier balance between professional and private life, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to provide better access to, and availability of, microfinance for vulnerable persons and microenterprises	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
* EU support is required to improve support for social enterprises	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
* EaSI objectives can be better achieved through EU level action than through actions by Member States	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Would you like to make any additional comments (e.g. provide your opinion or suggestions for improvement for the implementation of the EaSI strand under the ESF+ programme during 2021-2027)?

Please feel free to upload a concise document, such as a position paper. The maximum file size is 1MB. Please note that the uploaded document will be published alongside your response to the questionnaire which is the essential input to this public consultation. The document is optional and serves as additional background reading to better understand your position.



Useful links

[Employment and Social Innovation Programme \(EaSI\) \(https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=1081&langId=](https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=1081&langId=)
[European Progress Microfinance Facility \(EPMF\) \(https://www.eif.org/what_we_do/microfinance/progress/index.htm\)](https://www.eif.org/what_we_do/microfinance/progress/index.htm)

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