10th meeting of the TN on Simplification

EU-level SCOs

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Outline of presentation

1. Overview of Article 14(1) ESF mechanism
2. The empowerment and the delegated act (DA)
3. The Story so far...
4. The proposed amendments by Member State & EU-level SCOs
Article 14(1) ESF Regulation

What is it?

• An empowerment to allow the Commission adopt Simplified Cost Options using a Delegated Act
• Can apply to any Member State for any types of operations

Why use it?

• Legal Certainty
• Accounting practices
• Can cover more types of operations
Article 14(1) ESF Regulation

- *Unit costs and lump sums included in the DA could be:*
  
  - Proposed by an individual Member State based on its own data
  
  - Proposed by the Commission for a number or all Member States, based on for example Eurostat data.
The Delegated Regulation

Articles 1 to 4 cover:

• Subject matter and scope
• Types of operations
• Definitions of standard scales of unit costs and lump sums and their amounts
• Adjustment of amounts

Annex:

• One for each Member State
• Indicator definition, measurement unit and amount
• Adjustment of amounts
The story so far...

- Delegated Regulation 2015/2195
- amended 5x
- covering 18 Member States
- EU-level SCO for education
6th amendment - overview

- New annex for Bulgaria
- Amending existing annexes for France, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria, Romania, Cyprus and Croatia
- Amending the existing annex for EU-level SCOs on education and adding EU-level SCOs for
  - Training for unemployed people
  - Counselling services
  - Training for employed people
Delegated Act – proposed amendments

**Bulgaria:**
- Unit costs for training – result-based

**France:**
- Clarification of terminology

**Czech Republic:**
- Updating several amounts
- Adding new unit costs for teaching ICT at schools and specific training for teachers
DA – proposed amendments

Slovakia:
• New unit costs for peer-to-peer learning of teachers and for additional school classes

Austria:
• New unit costs for:
  • Provision of basic education
  • Face-to-face counselling
  • Management verification services
• Hourly rates for direct staff costs – all operations
DA – proposed amendments

Romania:
• New unit cost for vocational training (result-based)
• 2 new unit costs for employment aid

Cyprus:
• New unit costs for VET operations
DA – proposed amendments

**Croatia:**

- New unit costs for:
  - Occupational training
  - Employment aid
  - Monthly allowance for travel cost of participants
DA – proposed amendments

Existing EU-level SCOs

Education – update

• Updating amounts for all Member States based on recent EUROSTAT figures (2015)
• Greece now included
• Clarification for part-time VET courses
DA – proposed amendments
New EU-level SCOs

• *Off-the-shelf SCOs for all Member States*
• *Based on a comprehensive study by PPMi consultants*
  - Labour Market Policy database (LMP)
  - Continuing Vocational Training Survey (CVTS)
  - PES Business Models Survey
  - PPMi survey

• *Real simplification for Managing authorities and beneficiaries*
DA – proposed amendments
New EU-level SCOs

Areas:
• Training for unemployed people
• Counselling services
• Training for employed people

Regional index
No cherry-picking
Training for unemployed people

• Any operations concerning training of registered unemployed, job-seekers or inactive people
• Participants who have successfully completed a training course (output)
• Non-formal training courses – all subjects and durations
Counselling services

• Any operations concerning the provision of employment-related counselling services to registered unemployed, job-seekers or inactive people

• Hourly/monthly/annually rates for provision of counselling services (input)
Training for employed people

- Any operations concerning the provision of training to employed persons
- Hourly rates for training provided to employed persons (input) + hourly rates for salaries (if applicable)
Thank you!