



# Update on the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD)

Sub-group on food donation of the EU Platform on Food Losses  
and Food Waste

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# Study: Food donations under the ESF+

- **Goal:** Develop **Simplified cost options (SCOs)** to facilitate the administrative handling of food donations under the ESF+
- **Conclusion** from 1st part of the study: most feasible option is a **unit cost per kilogram of donated food delivered**
  - sufficient data to calculate this figure should exist for each Member State
  - application corresponds with the high level of uncertainty and unpredictability inherent to food redistribution activities.

# Next steps (ongoing)

- Data collection from F, HU, IE and IT to verify and solidify the conclusion that development of EU-level SCOs is indeed feasible.
- Possible further contributions from Lithuania and Slovenia.
- Final report due: April 2021
- Results of the study may be used by **COM to set SCOs in a Delegated Act** for the ESF+ ► Member States may use these amounts directly (no own methodology or calculation needed)

# Legal updates under REACT-EU (I)

## State of play of FEAD proposal

- endorsed by COREPER on 18/12/2020 and adopted by the Council through written procedure on 2/02/2021
- approved by the EP on 20/01/2021

## Additional resources (Article 92b(5) CPR and 6a FEAD)

- top ups for existing programmes (voluntary decision by MS)
- OP amendment required, but simpler than for ESF and ERDF (financial table)

# Legal Updates under REACT-EU (II)

- 11% initial **pre-financing** of the additional resources allocated for the year 2021
- **Co-financing** rate of up to 100%
- De-commitment at closure
- Ceiling of **5%** of the additional resources for technical assistance
- Amendments to the scope of **technical assistance**:
  - a) Preparation and operation costs of voucher schemes borne by the MA or another public body which is not a partner organisation (i.e. not covered by the 5% flat rate)
  - b) May concern the subsequent programming period, including to ensure the continuation of support in 2021-2027

# FEAD Community

FEAD First Annual Conference – 22-23 October 2020

FEAD Case Studies: Adapting FEAD-funded measures during the Coronavirus pandemic – November 2020

Thematic seminar: “New beneficiaries of FEAD-funded measures and new practices implemented during the Covid-19 crisis”, 2-3 February 2021

- Relevant case studies presented:
- Ruoka-apu.fi, a website providing updated information on food aid in Finland
- *Les Marchés Solidaires* (Solidarity markets), introduced in France in response to the Covid-19 health and social crisis