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# Climate action: Spain's experience on accessing EU funding

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October 22nd 2014*



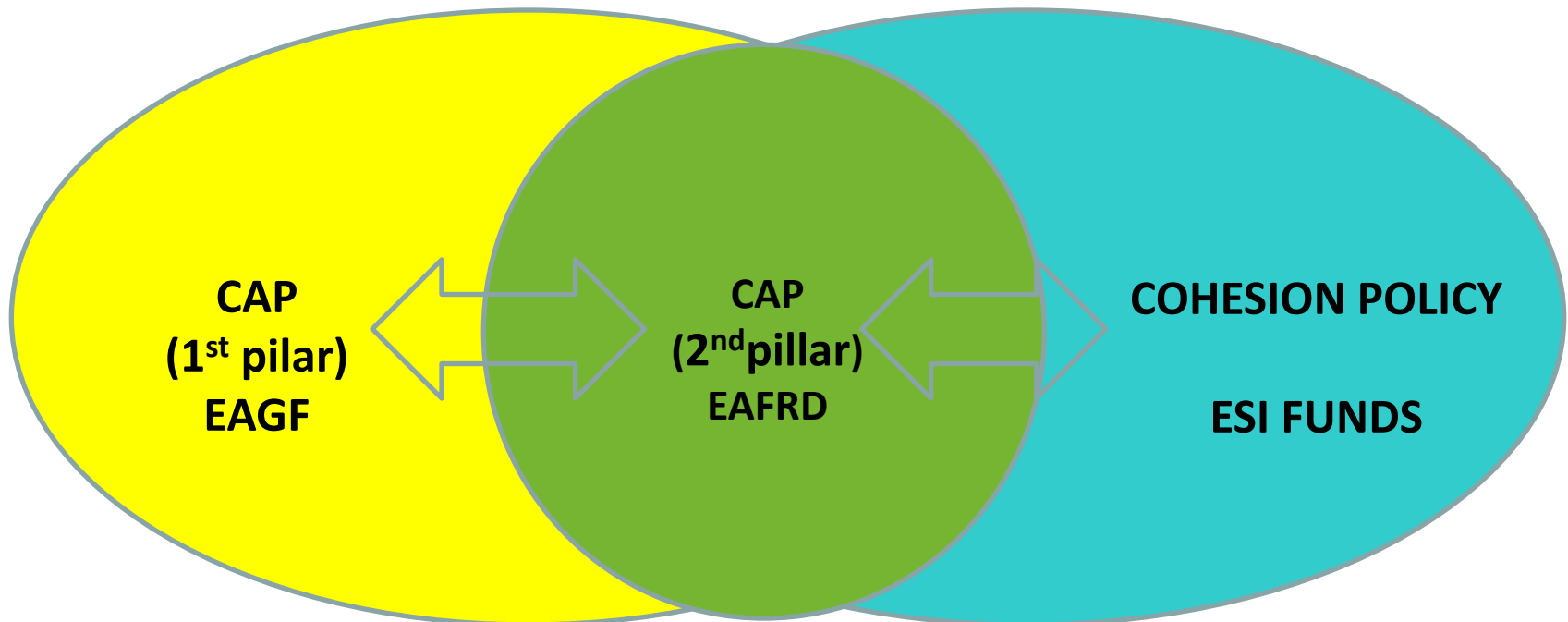
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# Rural Development Policy

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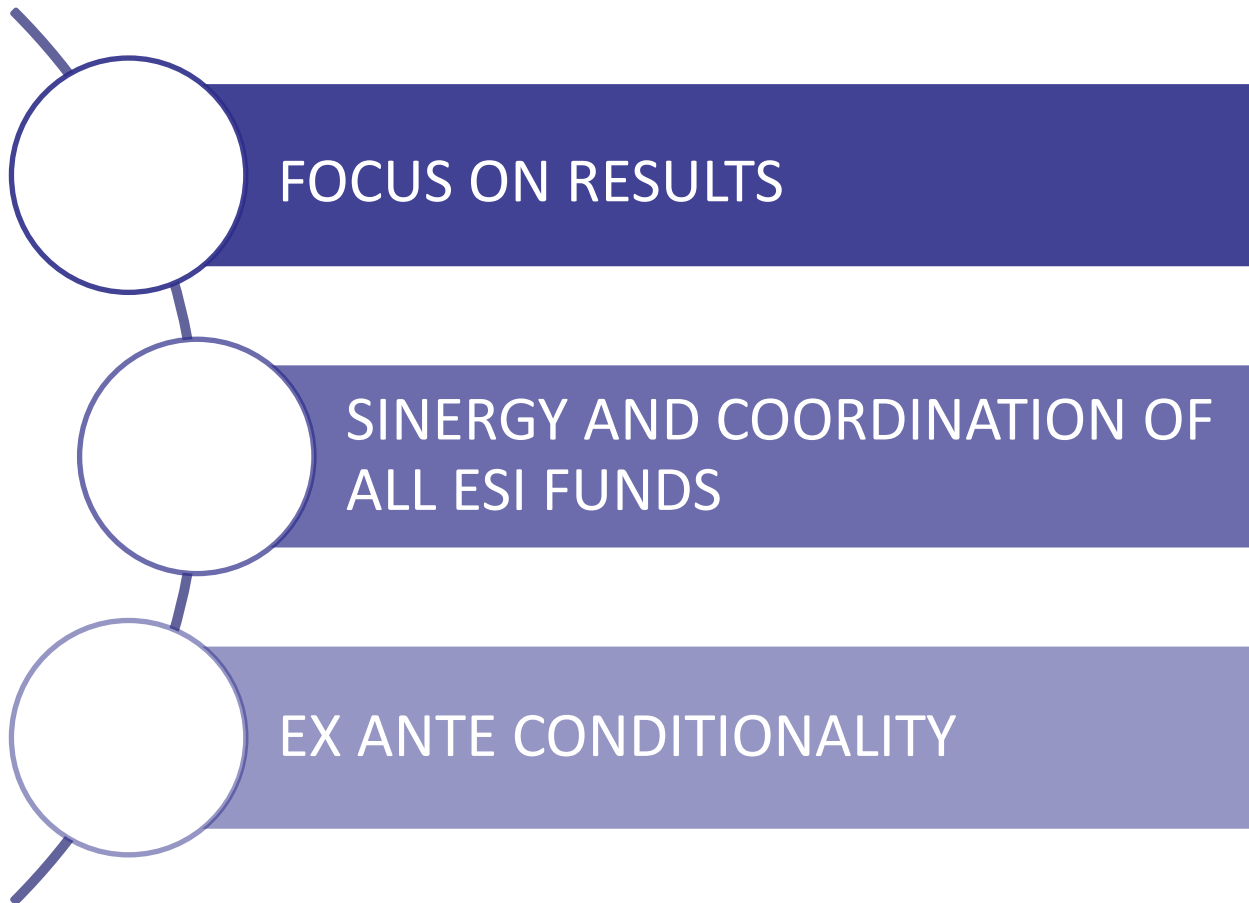
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# Strategic programming 2014-2020

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# Coordination and synergies of EAFRD with other ESI funds: ERDF, ESF, EMFF

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- Common strategic framework

- Partnership agreement

- Programmes

# EU 2020: EARDF contribution

## EU 2020 Headline Targets

### 1. Employment

- 75% of the 20-64 year-olds to be employed

### 2. R&D / innovation

- 3% of the EU's GDP (public and private combined) to be invested in R&D/innovation

### 3. Climate change / Energy

- greenhouse gas emissions 20% (or even 30%, if the conditions are right) lower than 1990
- 20% of energy from renewables
- 20% increase in energy efficiency

### 4. Education

- reducing school drop-out rates below 10%
- at least 40% of 30-34-year-olds completing third level education

### 5. Poverty / social exclusion

- at least 20 million fewer people in or at risk of poverty and social exclusion

## ES PP

1. Low competitiveness of SMEs and their scarce presence in international markets

2 Weak research and innovation system and the insufficient private-sector participation

3. High overall and youth unemployment, low labour productivity and increasing poverty and social exclusion;

4. Inefficient use of natural resources.

## Thematic objectives MEC

1. Research, technological development, innovation

2. Information and communication technologies

3. Competitiveness of SMEs, agriculture and fisheries

4. Low Carbon economy

5. Climate change adaptation, risk prevention and management

6. Environment and resource efficiency

7. Sustainable transport and infrastructures

8. Employment and labour mobility

9. Social inclusion and combating poverty

10. Education, skills and lifelong learning

11. Institutional capacity and efficient public administration

## Rural development EU priorities

1. Horizontal priority: **Fostering knowledge transfer and innovation**

2. **Competitiveness of all types of agriculture and farm viability**

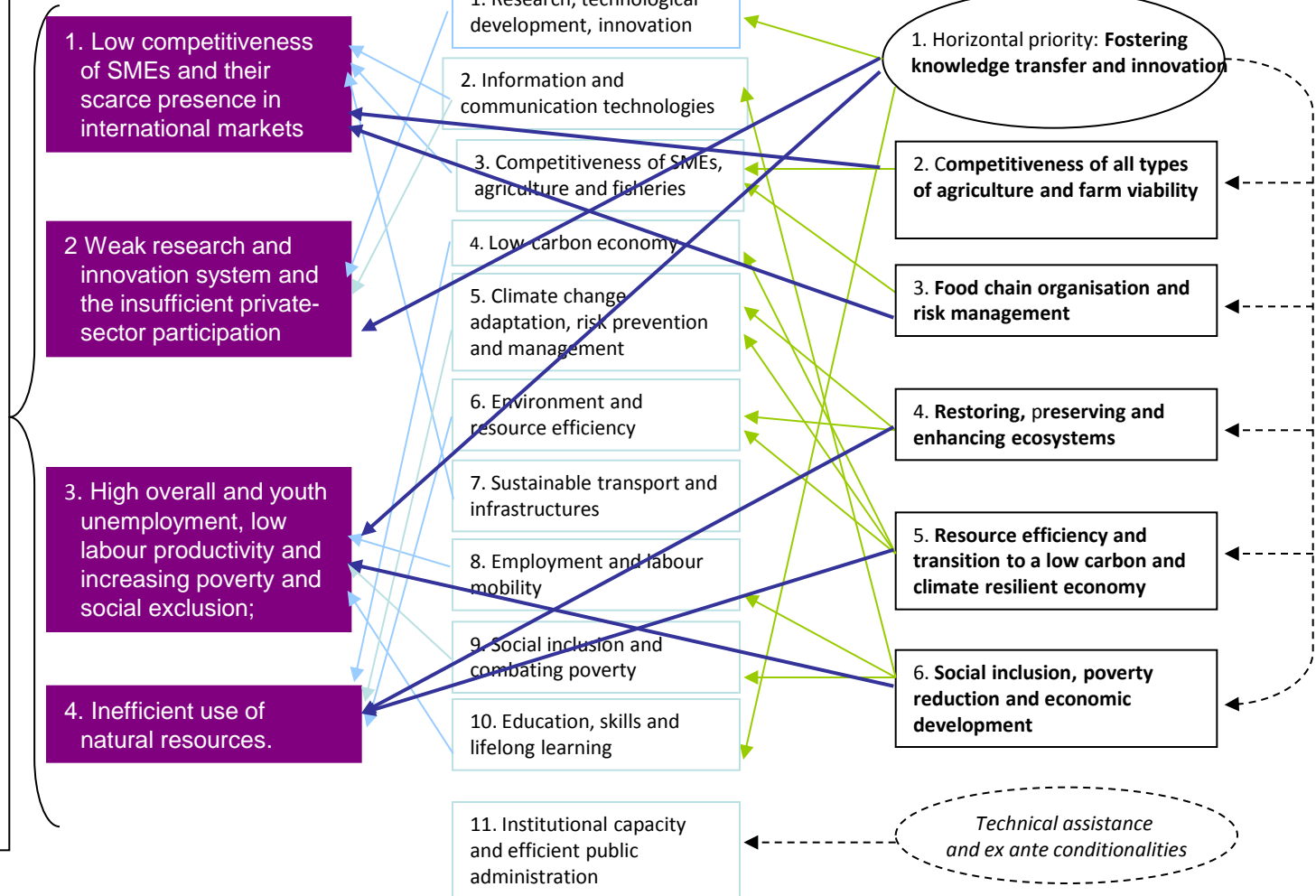
3. **Food chain organisation and risk management**

4. **Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems**

5. **Resource efficiency and transition to a low carbon and climate resilient economy**

6. **Social inclusion, poverty reduction and economic development**

*Technical assistance and ex ante conditionalities*





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# Rural development policy objectives

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***Agricultural sector more territorial and environmentally balanced,  
CLIMATE-FRIENDLY and RESILIENT, competitive, innovative and which  
contributes to the development of rural territories***

1. FOSTERING THE COMPETITIVENESS OF AGRICULTURE
2. ENSURING THE SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND CLIMATE ACTION
3. ACHIEVING A BALANCED TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT





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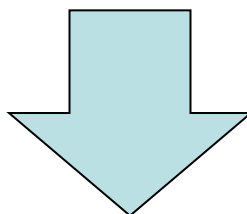
# **EARFD Cross-cutting objectives**

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**1. Innovation**

**2. Environment**

**3. Climate change mitigation and adaptation**



**EIP for agricultural productivity and sustainability**



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## 6 Union priorities for rural development

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1. Fostering knowledge transfer and innovation in agriculture, forestry, and rural areas;
2. Enhancing farm viability and competitiveness of all types of agriculture in all regions and promoting innovative farm technologies and the sustainable management of forests;
3. Promoting food chain organisation, including processing and marketing of agricultural products, animal welfare and risk management in agriculture;
4. Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems related to agriculture and forestry;
5. Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low carbon and climate resilient economy in agriculture;
6. Promoting social inclusion, poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas.



CODE	CONTRIBUTION OF TO CLIMATE ACTION: MEASURES	P3 (FA 3b)	P4	P5	P6 (FA 6b)
M01	Knowledge transfer and information actions	X	X	X	X
M02	Advisory services	X	X	X	
M04	Investments in physical assets		X	X	
M05	Restoring agricultural production potential damaged by natural disasters	X		X	
M06	Farm and business development			X	
M07	Basic services and village renewal in rural areas		X	X	X
M08	Investments in forest area development		X	X	
M10	Agri-environment- climate		X	X	
M11	Organic farming		X		
M12	Natura 2000 and Water Framework Directive		X		
M13	Payments to areas facing natural or other specific constraints		X		
M15	Forest-environmental and climate services and forest conservation		X	X	
M16	Cooperation	X	X	X	X
M19	LEADER				X



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## EARDF PROGRAMMING STRUCTURE



- 1 NATIONAL AND 17 REGIONAL RDP
- 1 NATIONAL FRAMEWORK
- 18 MANAGING AUTHORITIES
- 1 COORDINATING BODY FOR MANAGING AUTHORITIES



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## Article 8

### Regulation EU (No 1303/2013)



*“Member States shall provide information on the support for climate change objectives using a methodology based on the categories of intervention, focus areas or measures, as appropriate, for each of the ESI Funds”.*

#### Annex II R EU (No 215/2014)

#### **Coefficients for calculating amounts of support for climate change objectives in the case of the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development pursuant to Article 2**

Article of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	Priority / focus area	Coefficient
Article 5(3)(b)	Supporting farm risk prevention and management	40 %
Article 5(4)	Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems related to agriculture and forestry <i>(all focus areas)</i>	100 %
Article 5(5)	Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low-carbon and climate-resilient economy in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors <i>(all focus areas)</i>	100 %
Article 5(6)(b)	Fostering local development in rural areas	40 %

<sup>(1)</sup> Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 487).



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## EARDF contribution to climate change objectives

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PRIORITY	EARFD	CC	EARDF CC
3B	55.511.111	40%	22.204.444
P4	2.681.424.242	100%	2.681.424.242
P5	1.172.576.755	100%	1.172.576.755
6B	808.317.009	40%	323.326.804
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4.717.829.118</b>		<b>4.199.532.245</b>

Contribution of Spanish RDPs represents **50,65% total EAFRD**

*(provisional data from financial plans submitted 22 july 2014)*



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## At least 30 % of the total EAFRD contribution

	Measures that contribute to environment and climate objectives
M04	Investments in physical assets
M08	Investments in forest area development
M15	Forest-environmental and climate services and forest conservation
M10	Agri-environment-climate
M11	Organic farming
M12	Natura 2000
M13	Payments to areas facing natural or other specific constraints

EAFRD contribution of Spanish RDPs represents **more than 30%**

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# Ex ante Conditionalities

RD Priority	Ex ante conditionality	Criteria fulfilling
<b>3</b> Promoting food chain organization, including processing and marketing of agricultural products, animal welfare and risk management in agriculture	Risk prevention and risk management	National or regional level
<b>4</b> Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems related to agriculture and forestry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Good Agricultural and Environmental Conditions</li><li>• Minimum requirements for fertilisers and plant protection products</li><li>• Other relevant national standards</li></ul>	Regional level
<b>5</b> Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low carbon and climate resilient economy in the agriculture and food sectors and the forestry sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Energy efficiency</li><li>• Water sector</li><li>• Renewable energy</li></ul>	National or regional level

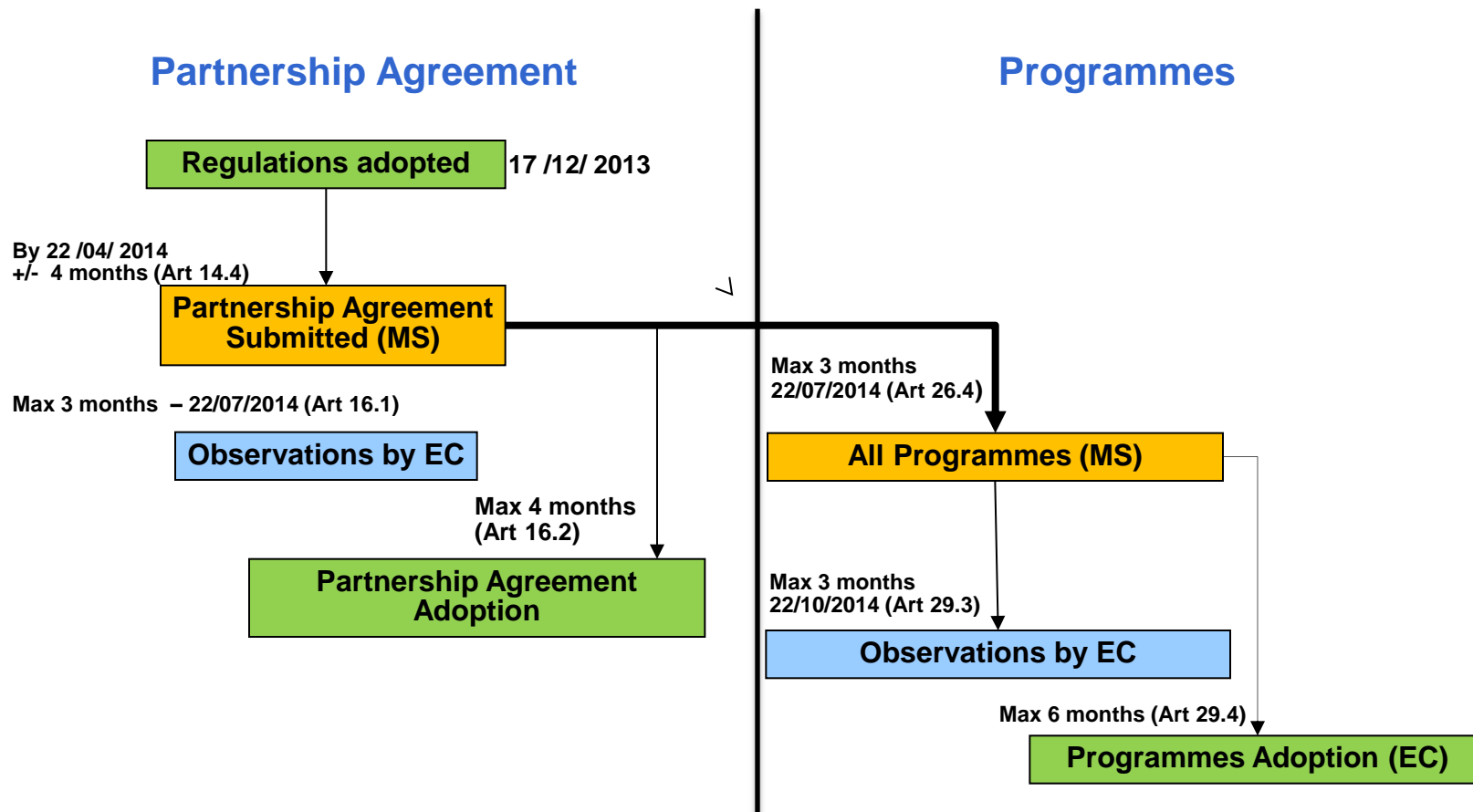


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# Timetable



Note: Time spent by MS to reply to EC observations does not count towards the deadlines

Source: European Commission



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# Thank you for your attention!



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