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Action Note

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Clarification of Public and Private Match-Funding Categories

Who

All new applicants for ESF funding, existing ESF Beneficiary Organisations, the Greater London Authority and the ESF Managing Authority

What

This action note is to clarify the ESF 2014-2020 Programme position on classifications of public and private match-funding for new applicants and existing Beneficiary Organisations when completing ESF Financial Annexes and/or their ESF Application Form(s).

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Background

Following recent issues around the accurate recording of public and private match-funding contributions, the table below sets out which match-funding sources should be classified as public match-funding and which funding sources should be classified as private match-funding sources.

This is to ensure full alignment with the ESIF ECLAIMS system used to administer ESF funding and also support compliance with EU Commission requirements on reporting public funding contributions.

ESF Match-Funding Source	ESF Private/Public Match-Funding Classification
Local Authority Funds	Public
University Funds	Public
Bank Loan	Private
Private Sector Reserves	Private
Public Sector Reserves	Public
Growth Deal	Public
Project Income	Private
SME Contributions	Private
Big Lottery Fund	Public
Private Sector Investment	Private
Health Service Funds	Public
Third Sector Funds	Private
Non-Departmental Public Body Funds	Public
Central Government Funds	Public
Volunteer Time (In Kind Contribution)	Private
Other (Public)	Public
Other (Private)	Private

Action

New applicants to ESF funding are asked to ensure they take account of the classifications listed above, when completing their ESF Application Form and associated Financial Annex(es).

Existing Grant Recipients are asked to ensure they apply the relevant classifications when completing a Project Change Request and any associated Financial Annex(es) which affects their ESF project funding.

Contact

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