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## **ESI Funds Growth Programme Board**

### **Forward Look**

#### **Purpose:**

To provide the updated forward plan for members.

#### **Recommendations:**

That the Growth Programme Board:

1. Notes the range of activities and work streams within; and
2. Puts forward suggestions for additional areas for inclusion.

#### **Summary:**

- The Forward Look is a standing item paper at each meeting to help capture and plan the range of activities the Board will consider as the formal Programme Monitoring Committee during 2016.
- The plan details those activities which will be both a requirement of the GPB as Programme Monitoring Committee under the Common Provision Regulations or specific programme Regulations, alongside a range of further areas which have been identified by Managing Authorities and BIS (those items marked with an asterisk (\*) are required to be considered under Regulations).
- The GPB are invited to comment on the content and give their views on areas of activity it might be useful to cover at future meetings.

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9 March 2016

<b>Month</b>	<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>Key Activities / Work Streams to be considered by the Growth Programme Board</b>	<b>What else may need consideration here?</b>	<b>Standing items</b>	<b>Possible</b>	<b>Other Activities Underway /possible During Period</b>
<b>2016</b>						
<b>Mar</b>	Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic updates (e.g. devolution deals and IB status)</li> <li>• Partnership Working Review update</li> <li>• Annual Implementation Report*</li> <li>• First reports from National Sub-committees</li> <li>• Finalised ESI Fund Strategies</li> <li>• Performance Management</li> <li>• ESF Operational Programme – Evaluation Plan</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of previous meeting; progress on agreed actions</li> <li>• Progress on programmes (&amp; any relevant news)</li> <li>• Calls progress</li> <li>• Performance progress (spend and targets)</li> <li>• Forward Look</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance Management process begins - performance reporting starts</li> <li>• National Sub-committees holding initial meetings:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <i>Smart Specialisation, Equality &amp; Diversity, Employment, Skills &amp; Social Inclusion, Communications</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Mar-June</b>						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Appraisal of July calls, development of April 2016 calls</i></li> <li>• Remaining National Sub-committees established and holding meetings               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <i>Sustainable Growth &amp; Development, Sustainable Urban Development, Evaluation, Performance &amp; Dispute Resolution, SME Competitiveness</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Jun</b>	Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnership Working Review – conclusions and final report</li> <li>• Return to December's discussion on Spending Review (opportunities and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic alignment with other funds</li> <li>• Any major projects,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of previous meeting; progress on agreed actions</li> <li>• Progress on programmes (&amp; any relevant news)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Atlantic Strategy</li> </ul>	

		risks)	Joint Action Plans, Financial Instruments, and Ex Ante Conditionality actions outlined - including any actions to be taken*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calls progress</li> <li>• Performance progress (spend and targets)</li> <li>• Reports from National Sub-committees</li> <li>• Forward Look</li> </ul>		
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