## **ESF Lump Sum Digital Interventions Call MI Guidance V1**

## **Background - ESF Indicator Characteristics**

Annex I and II of the ESF Regulation set out the indicators where data needs to be collected for every participant (for ESF and YEI respectively). These common indicators are covered in the published guidance:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/832354/output\_and\_results\_indicator\_definitions.pdf

In order to assess progress with implementation and the achievement of objectives, ESF monitoring for the 2014-2020 programme period uses a number of different types of indicator, i.e.:

- financial indicators (not covered by this guidance or the above quidance);
- common output indicators relating to operations supported and covering characteristics of entities (projects/organisations) and participants (these output indicators are gathered when the participant joins the ESF operation) – see above guidance link;
- common result indicators (participants only) to monitor the
  effectiveness of the programme and covering immediate results (i.e.
  within 4 weeks of leaving the operation) and longer term results
  (gathered 6 months after the participant leaves the operation -by a
  follow up survey to be commissioned by the DWP's ESF Evaluation
  Team) see above guidance link;
- YEI result indicators (for participants only) covering immediate results (i.e. within 4 weeks of leaving) and longer term results (gathered 6 months after leaving the operation by using a follow up survey commissioned by the DWP's ESF Evaluation Team DWP) – see above guidance link;
- Programme-specific output and result indicators see above guidance link and operational programme;
- COVID -19- specific output indicators that relate specifically to Priority Axis (PA) 4 – see tables below.

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## **COVID-19 Programme-specific indicators**

Priority Axes (PA)	Investment Priorities (IP)	Output Indicators	Result Indicators
PA 4 – COVID-19 Response. Projects are expected to run for up to 12 months from the date of signing the Funding Agreement. In line with the ESF Programme end date all activity and defrayal of expenditure to be completed by 31 December 2023.	To address the digital divide by providing access to information and services, through digital technologies to ESF participants who have a need	CV30 - Value of ESF actions to combat or counteract the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic (total public cost)  CV31 - Number of participants supported in combating or counteracting the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic	Not Applicable  Not Applicable

CV30 - Value of ESF actions to combat or counteract the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic (total public cost)

Unit of measurement	Euro
Count Criteria: Who can be recorded against this indicator?	Project delivery under PA 4/IP 4.1 is expected to last up to 12 months from the date of signing the Funding Agreement but must end by 31 December 2023 and all expenditure relating to project delivery must be defrayed by 31 December 2023.
Count Threshold: What is the threshold minimum requirement for recording one count of this indicator?	Only the Funding Agreement financial threshold can be claimed - subject to all the necessary conditions of the Funding Agreement being met (including the total number of participants to be supported under PA 4/IP 4.1).
Count exclusions  Which people cannot be counted against this indictor?	N/A – the unit of measurement is euros.
Additional information	This financial data for this indicator will be gathered from Grant Recipients via a quarterly claim (in this case one claim for the Quarter 4 claim period) subject to all conditions of Funding Agreement being met.

Relationship to	The indicator relates specifically to expenditure channelled through
other	PA 4/IP 4.1.
indicators	

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CV31 - Number of participants supported in combating or counteracting the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic		
Unit of measurement	Existing ESF Participants who are also receiving support from IP 4.1	
Count Criteria:		
Who can be recorded against this	Participants who receive digital support specifically funded via bolt- on support under PA 4/IP 4.1	
indicator?	Participants must have a need to access digital support.	
Count Threshold: What is the threshold minimum requirement for recording one count of this indicator?	A participant who receives digital support (in the form of a digital device and/or data dongle) where this digital support has been specifically funded via bolt-on support under PA 4/IP 4.1 and is responding to a need that the individual has in terms of accessing digital support.  A participant receiving loan of a device can only be counted ONCE under PA 4/IP 4.1.  Indicator CV31 is the only indicator for IP 4.1.  No `result' should be recorded in the IP 4.1 participant record.	
Count exclusions  Which people cannot be counted against this indictor?	Participants in PAs 1 & 2 who did not receive digital support funded under PA 4/IP 4.1	
Additional information	Data for this indicator will be gathered via a template provided by the Managing Authority.	

Relationship to	The indicator relates specifically to participants receiving support
other	through PA 4/IP 4.1.
indicators	