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NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF EGESIF MEMBERS

Subject: Summaries of the data on the progress made in financing and implementing financial instruments under the ESIF 2014-2020: Situation at 31 December 2015

I have the pleasure to send you the electronic version of the 2015 summaries of the data on the progress made in financing and implementing the financial instruments (FI) supported by European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF). I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all managing authorities concerned for their cooperation in providing the data on which these summaries are based.

The summaries were sent to the SAWP and COMBUD committees in the Council, the European Parliament (CONT, BUDG and REGI Committees) and the European Court of Auditors. Since 29 November they have also been available on the InfoRegio website at: http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/financial-instruments/. This fulfils the obligation of the Commission to present the summaries of data within six months of the deadline for the submission of the annual implementation reports as provided for under Article 46(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (CPR).

The results of this first exercise demonstrate that, despite the early stage of programme implementation, managing authorities across no less than 21 Member States can already report progress on financial instruments as of 31 December 2015 and some of these financial instruments are already demonstrating concrete results in terms of leverage or resources returned for further investments. The general outlook is therefore positive, although further efforts will continue to be needed in the coming months to boost the optimal use of ESIF-supported financial instruments.

The Commission plans to provide an information session through the Expert Group of ESIF (EGESIF) during the first quarter of 2017. It will communicate lessons learnt from this first reporting exercise to ensure an improved understanding of the reporting requirements and better data coverage in the next summaries.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)
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Enclosures: Summaries of data

