



Implementation of the Recovery Plan for Europe

State-of-Play of the
NATIONAL RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE PLANS

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Dialogue with Member States

- The Commission has received **16 first draft plans/majority of components** (21 January 2021).
- **Technical discussions** are ongoing with Member States. The state of advancement varies across Member States.
- **Revised Guidance to Member States** published on 22 January 2021, reflecting the agreed text of the Regulation
- Member States now need to **align their drafts** with agreed text of the Regulation and the revised Guidance.



Horizontal observations (I)

Investment agenda in the various national plans **broadly in line with Regulation's six pillars** and the **Flagships**, such as sustainable transport and digital skills.

However, some common observations and challenges include:

- Striking the right balance between **reforms** and **investments**.
 - Reform elements relevant for **RRP implementation** (e.g. investment bottlenecks).
 - Reform elements to **increase economic and social resilience** (e.g. reforms to increase sustainability of public finances).
- Addressing the **challenges** identified in the country-specific recommendations.



Horizontal observations (II)

Further common substantive observations and challenges :

- Meeting the **20% digital** target and **37% climate mainstreaming** target.
- All measures (reforms & investments) to respect the '**do no significant harm**' principle.
- Encouraging **cross-border projects** - essential for recovery and to strengthening **Europe's resilience and the Internal Market**.



Horizontal observations (III)

Common observations and challenges, essential for implementation of the plans, include:

- Defining specific, measurable, time bound and ambitious **milestones** and **targets**.
- Defining credible and robust **cost estimates**.
- Setting up effective **audit & control systems**.
- Assessing **State Aid compliance** and launching notifications.



Specifically: Consultation Process

Member States are invited to consult their plans broadly:

- **Summary of consultation process** to be described in the plans.
- To be conducted in accordance with the **national legal framework**.
- **Consultation should involve** local and regional authorities, **social partners**, civil society organisations, youth organisations and other stakeholders.
- Consultations both for **preparatory work** and **implementation**.

Conclusions

- **Finalisation of the legal framework** establishes clarity for Commission, Member States and stakeholders.
- Technical discussions continue, inter alia **to ensure that all draft plans are adjusted** to the amendments in the Regulation
- **Very significant work** still to be done
- **Tight time-frame** for submission of plans by 30 April

Thank you



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