

# LEADER 2007-2013 implementation update

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# LEADER

## EVOLUTION...

LEADER = **L**iaison **E**ntre **A**ctions de **D**éveloppement de l'**É**conomie **R**urale  
(Links between the rural economy and development actions)

LAG = **L**ocal **A**ction **G**roup

LDS = **L**ocal **D**evelopment **S**trategy

LEADER / Axis

2007-2013

**2,416** LAGs

**Mainstreamed  
as an integral  
part of the EU's  
rural development  
policy covers  
2,416 rural  
territories**

LEADER +

2000-2006

**1,153** LAGs

The initiative covers  
all types of  
rural areas

LEADER II

1994-1999

**906** LAGs

Focused on  
**disadvantaged  
rural areas**  
(217 regions)

**Stand-alone LEADER Programmes  
with separate financing**

Total Public Budget:

**5.37** BILLION €

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**5.1** BILLION €

LEADER I

1991-1993

**217** LAGs

**Experimental  
phase**

Total Public Budget:

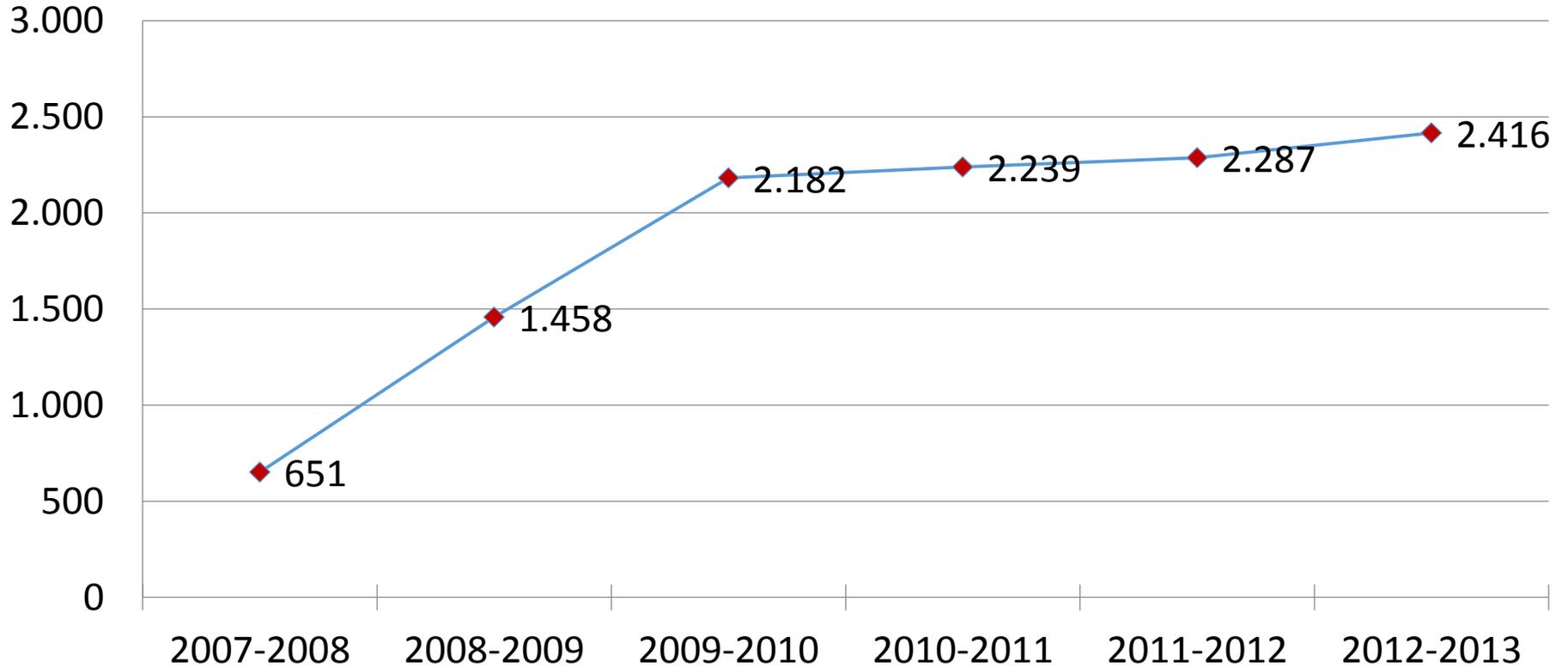
**1.2** BILLION €

**Total Public Budget:**

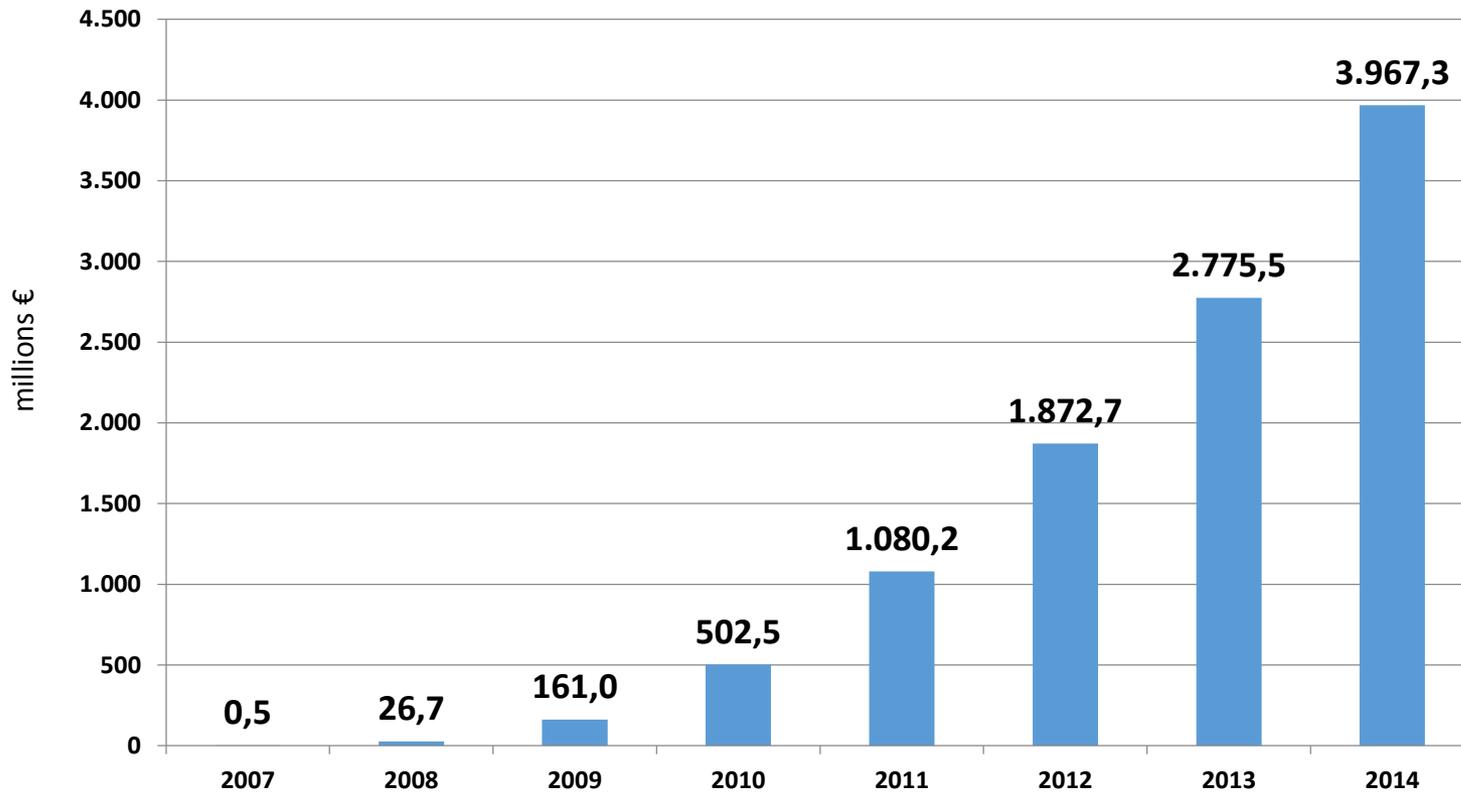
**8.9**

BILLION €

# Progress on LAG selection in the EU (2007-2013)



# Progression in EAFRD declared expenditure for Axis 4 at EU level until December 2014

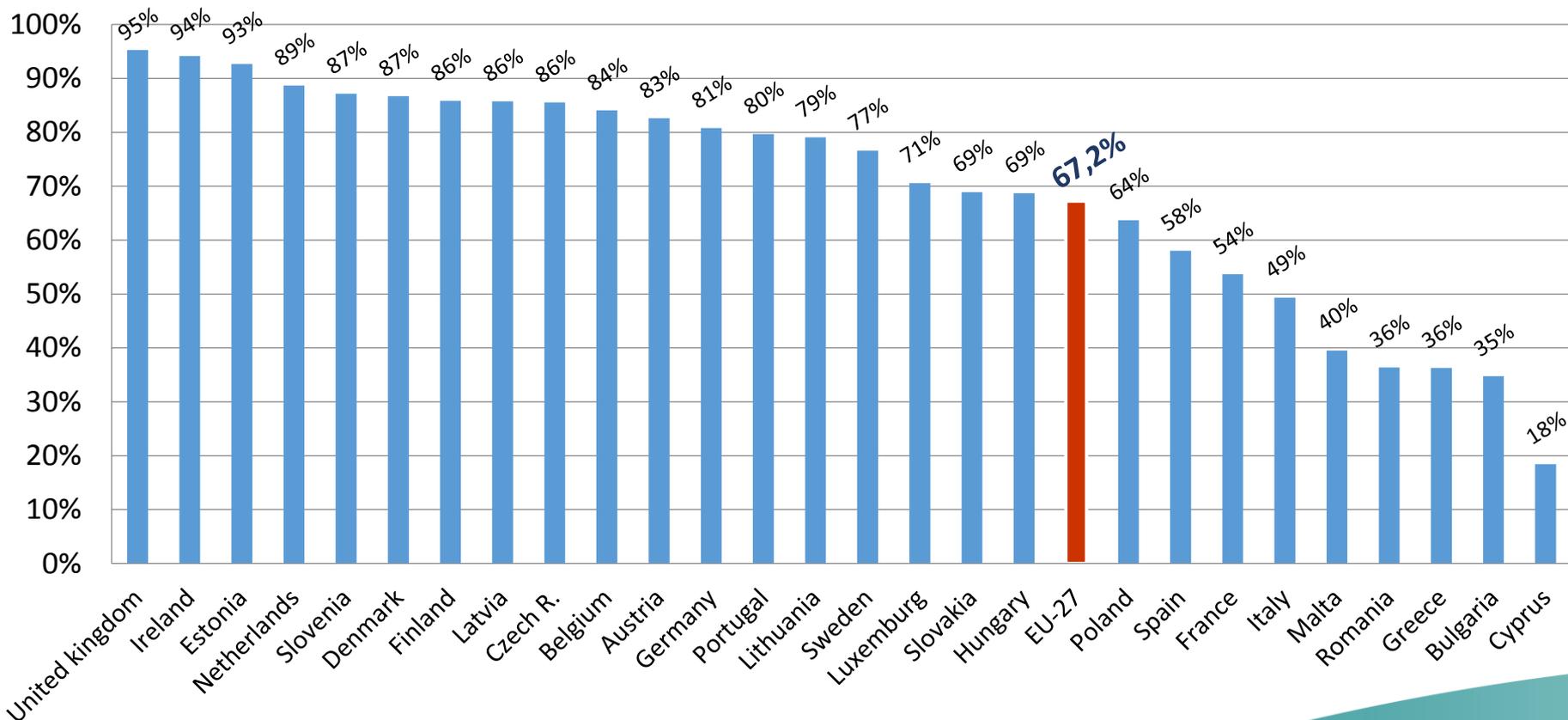


**EAFRD budget  
2007-2013  
€ 5,903.4 millions**



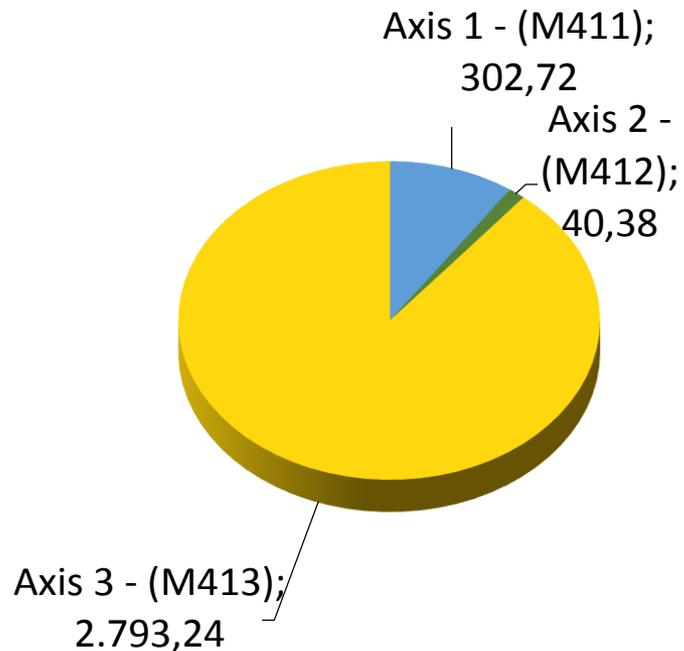
**Remaining  
EAFRD budget  
€ 1,936.1 millions**

# Total EAFRD expenditure of Axis 4 vs. Total programmed Axis 4 budget

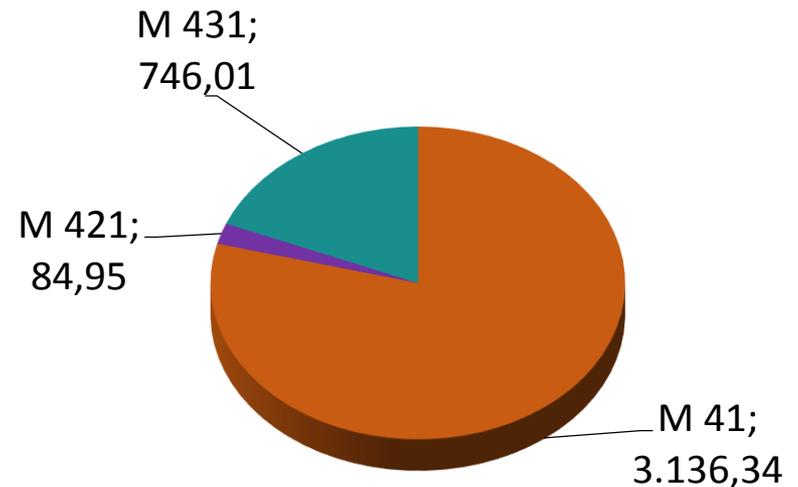


# EAFRD expenditure of Axis 4 per Axis priority & per measure at EU-27 until December 2014

EAFRD financial execution of Axis 4 per Axis  
(in million EUR)



EAFRD financial execution of Axis 4 per  
measure (in million EUR)



- M41 - Implementing local development strategies
- M411 - Implementing local development strategies - competitiveness
- M412 - Implementing local development strategies - environment/land management
- M413 - Implementing local development strategies - quality of life/diversification
- M421 - Implementing cooperation projects
- M431 - Running the local action group, acquiring skills and animating the territory

# Key outputs achieved by LEADER in 2007-2013 at EU-27



94.8% of the total  
EU-28 area



28.2% of the  
EU -28 area  
population

LAG financed  
140 thousand  
projects



# State-of-play of TNC implementation

(based on the most recent SFC data)



# TNC projects by MS

Number of **notified transnational cooperation projects per Member States** (coordinating LAG per MS) as of **March 2015**

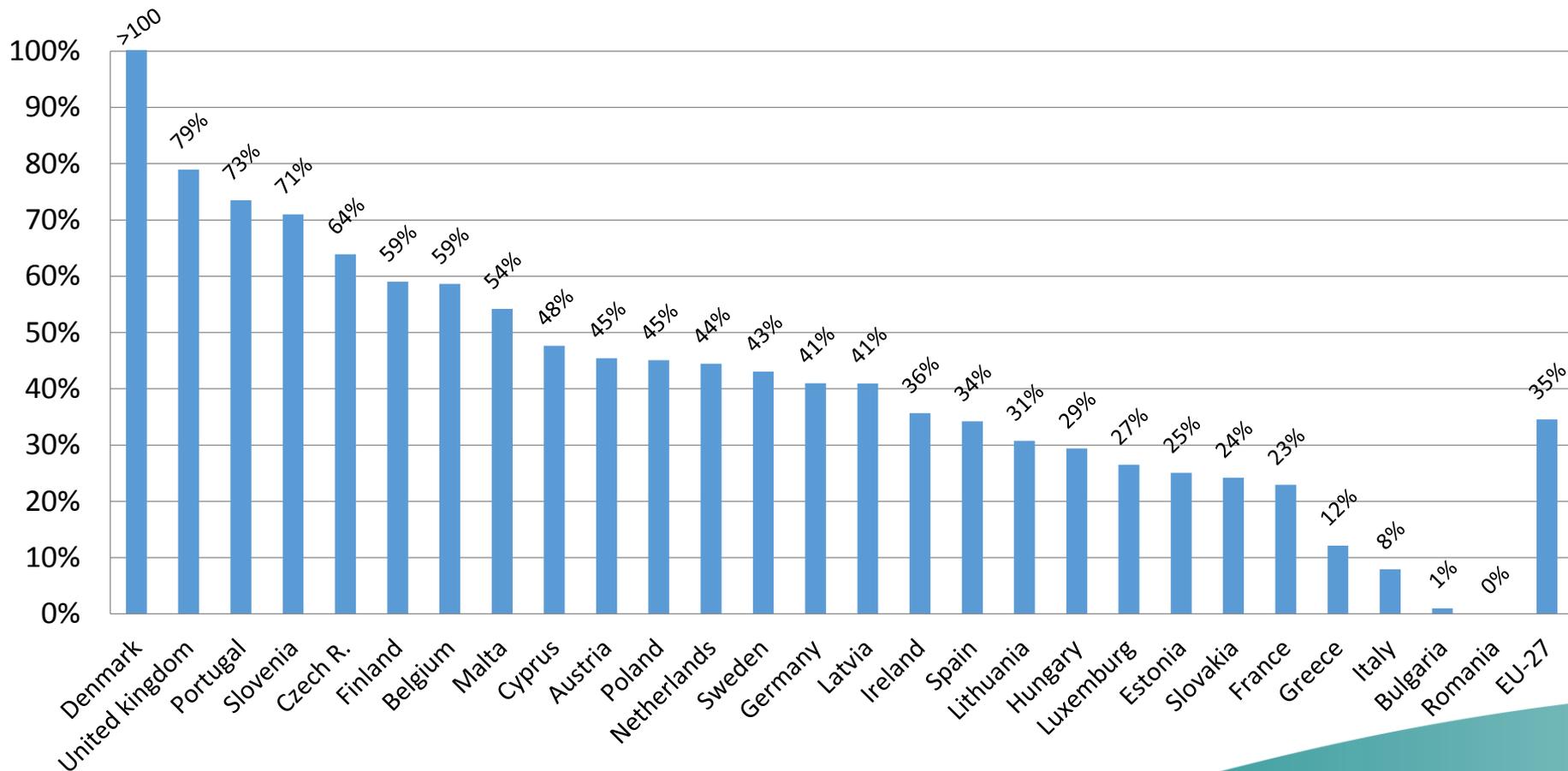
total number of projects **462**  
average TNC project amount: **€165,000**

**Origin of project partners:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Slovenia, Slovakia, United Kingdom, Croatia, Serbia, Ukraine, Cyprus, Lithuania, Latvia, Netherlands and Portugal

Cooperation project partners from outside EU: Ukraine, Norway, Panama, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, Costa Rica



# State of M421 (EAFRD) expenditure for cooperation measure per Member State up until 2014 (% declared vs. programmed)



# LEADER 2014-2020: plans

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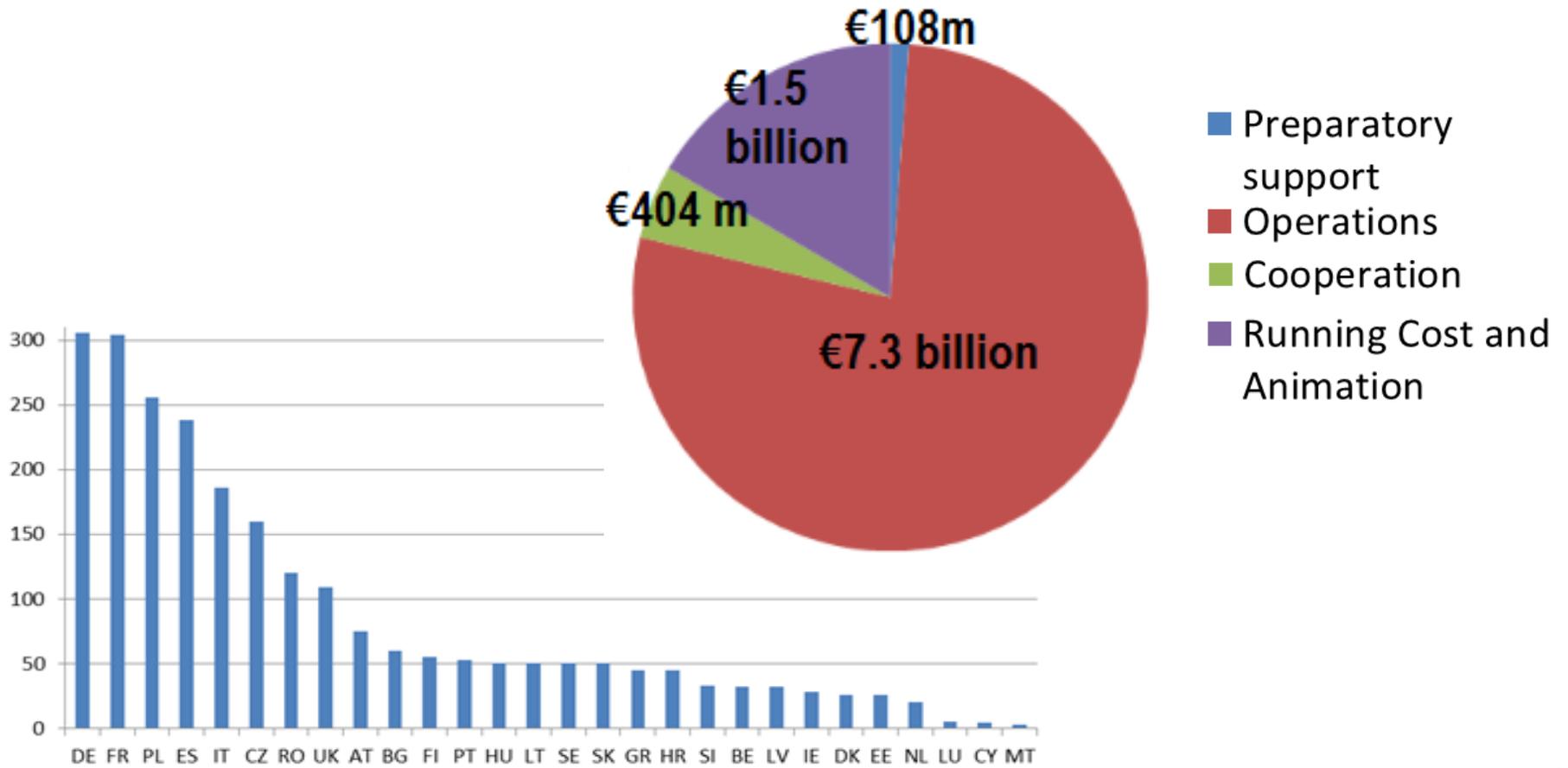


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## Indicative plans for LEADER in the 2014-2020 period:

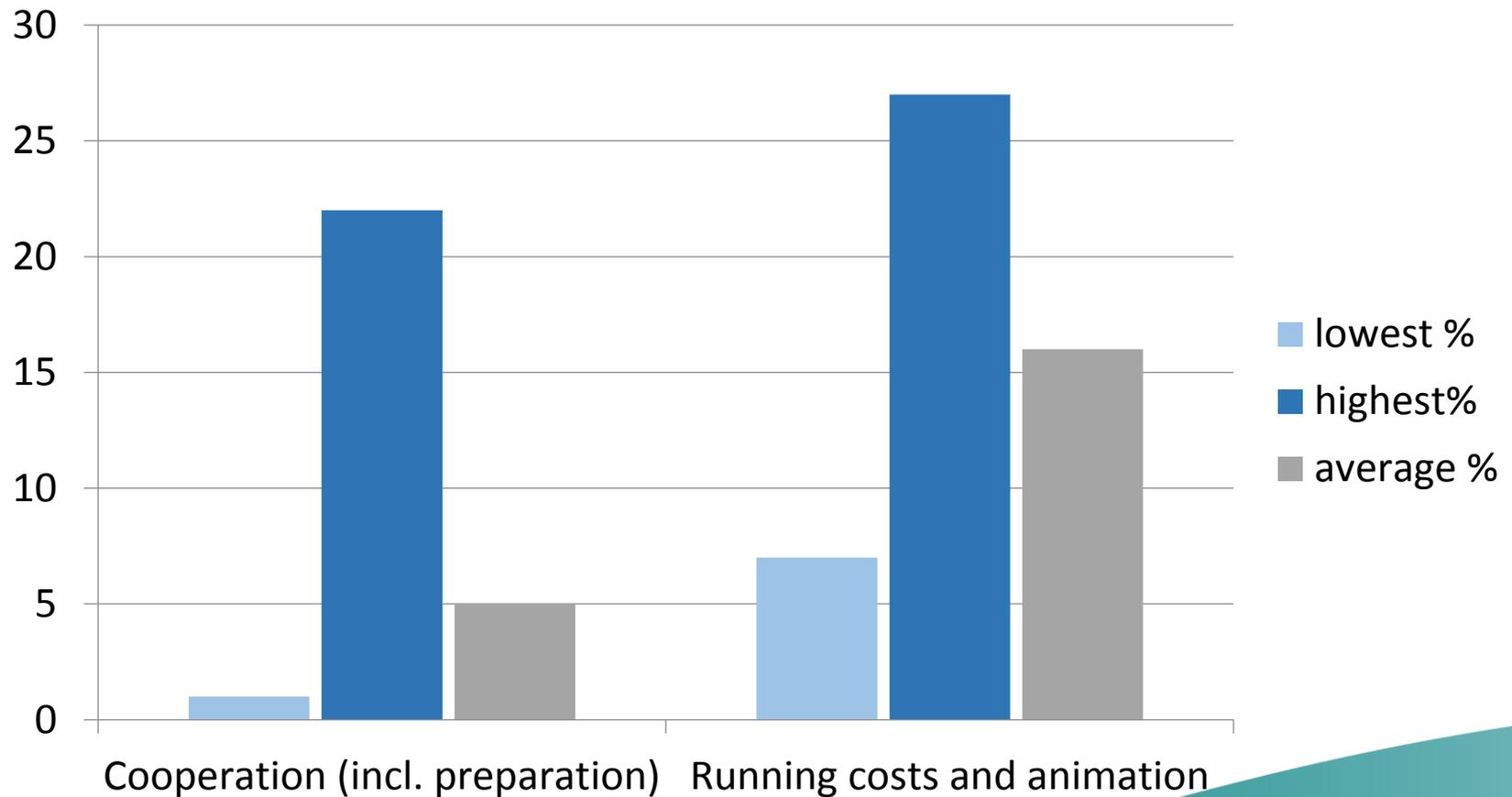
- Implemented in 28 MS
  - Implemented in 109 RDPs
  - € 9.4 billion total public expenditure
  - Around 2050 LAGs supported
  - 147 million of the EU population in LAGs
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# Indicative allocation of budget for LEADER (total public)

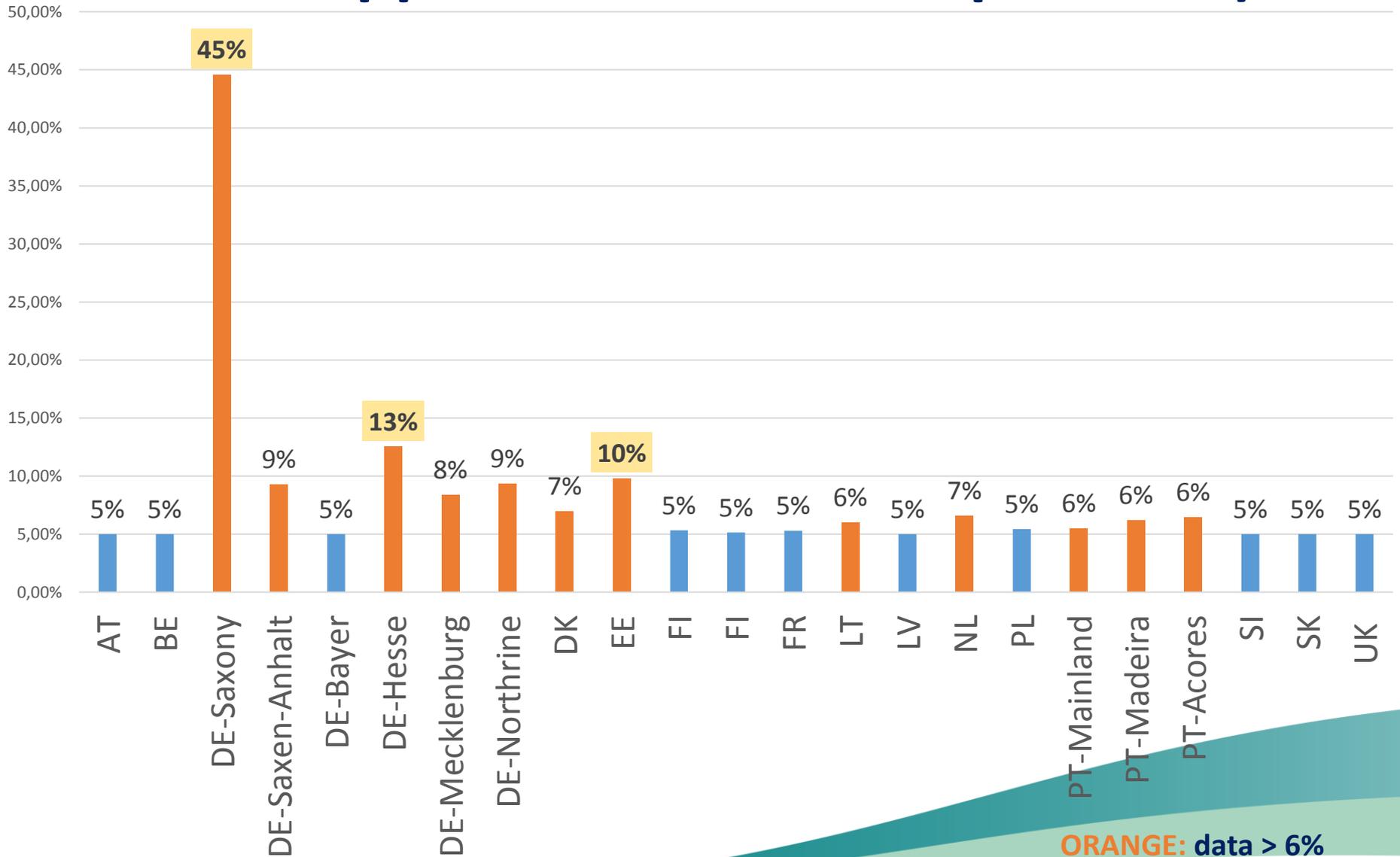


Planned number of Local Action Groups per MS

# Significant differences in planned allocation for sub-measures, e.g.:



# M19 (Leader) – EAFRD contribution (MS with approved RDP as of April 2015)



**CLLD 2014-2020  
in Partnership Agreements  
(PA screening April 2015)**

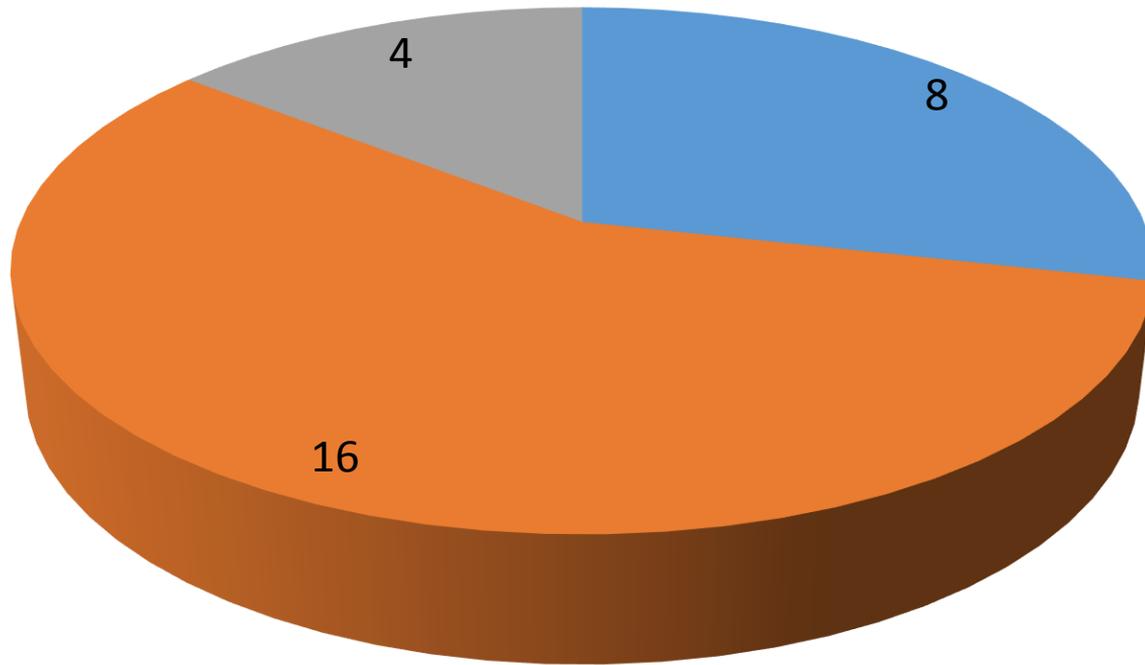
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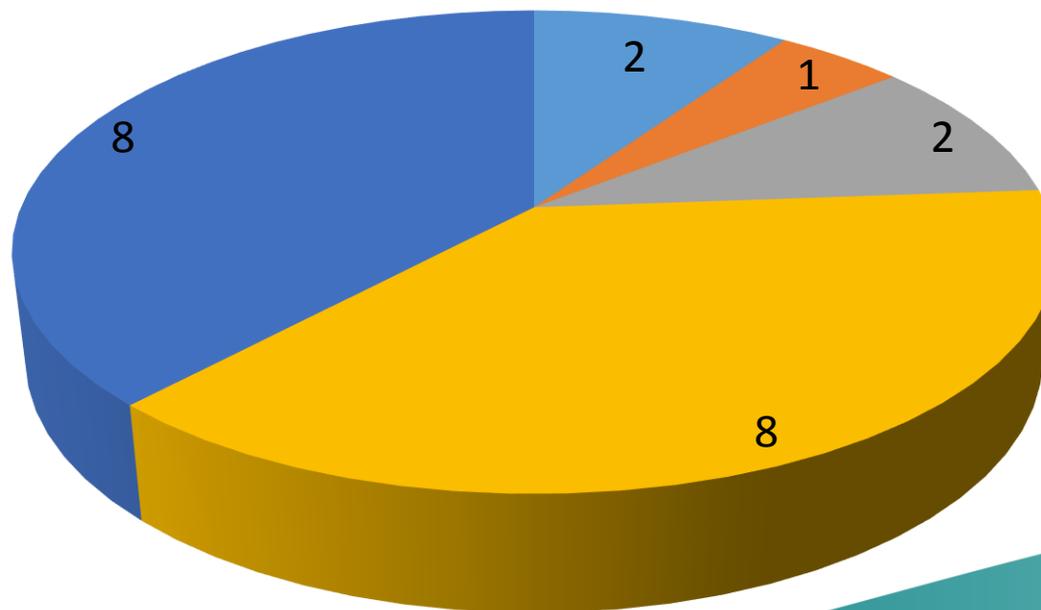
# MS planning to support multi-funded strategies

- no: AT, BE, EE, HR, IE, LU, MT and NL
- yes: BG, CZ, DK, ES, FI, FR, HU, IT, LT, LV, PL, PT, SE, SI, SK and UK
- perhaps: CY, DE, GR and RO

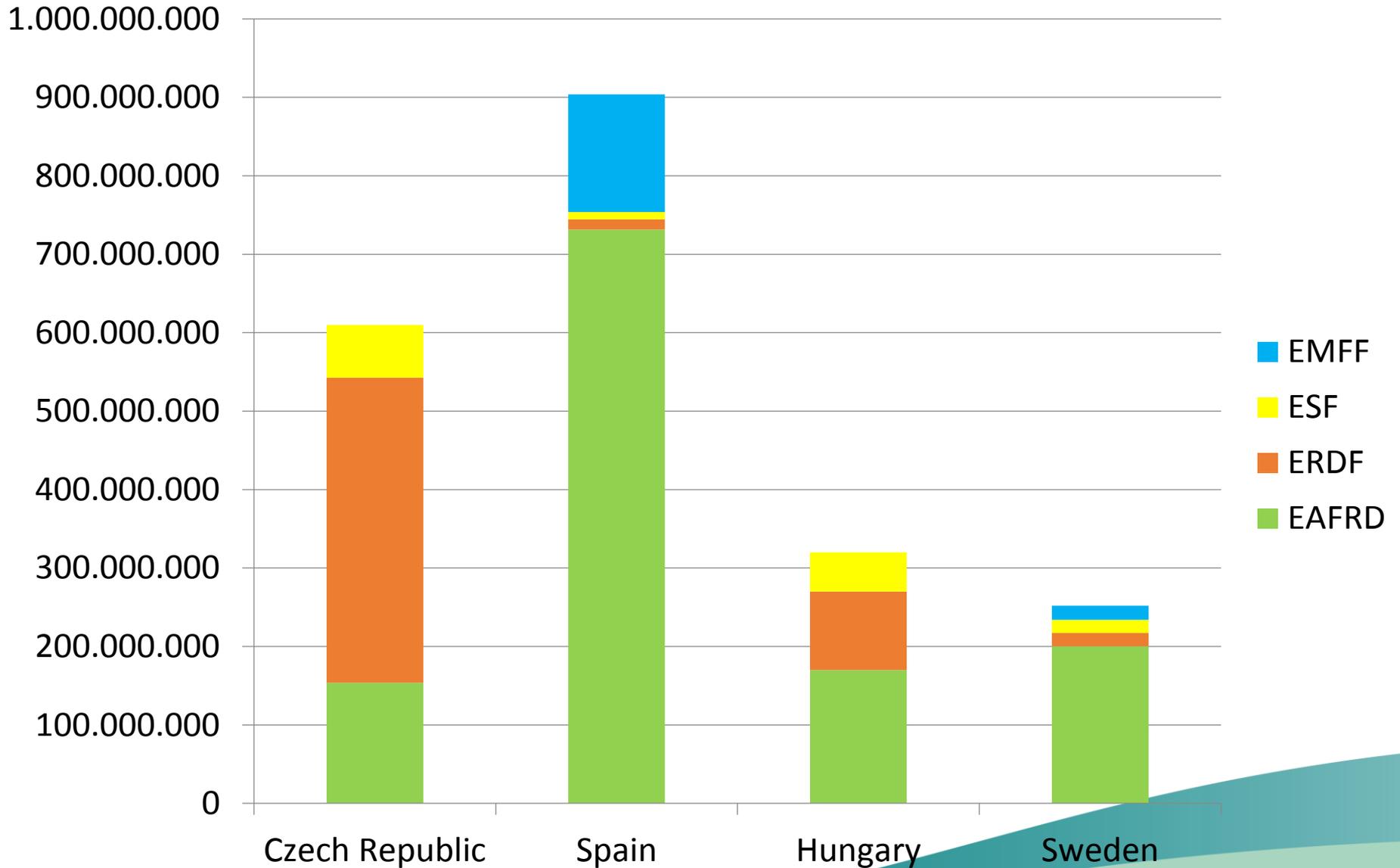


# ESI Funds other than EAFRD involved in CLLD (multi-funded or single-funded LAGs)

- only ERDF: AT and SK
- ERDF & EMFF: SI
- ERDF & ESF: CZ and HU
- ERDF, ESF & EMFF: BG, ES, IT, PL, PT, RO, SE and UK
- mainly EMFF: CY, DE, DK, EE, FI, HR, IE and LV

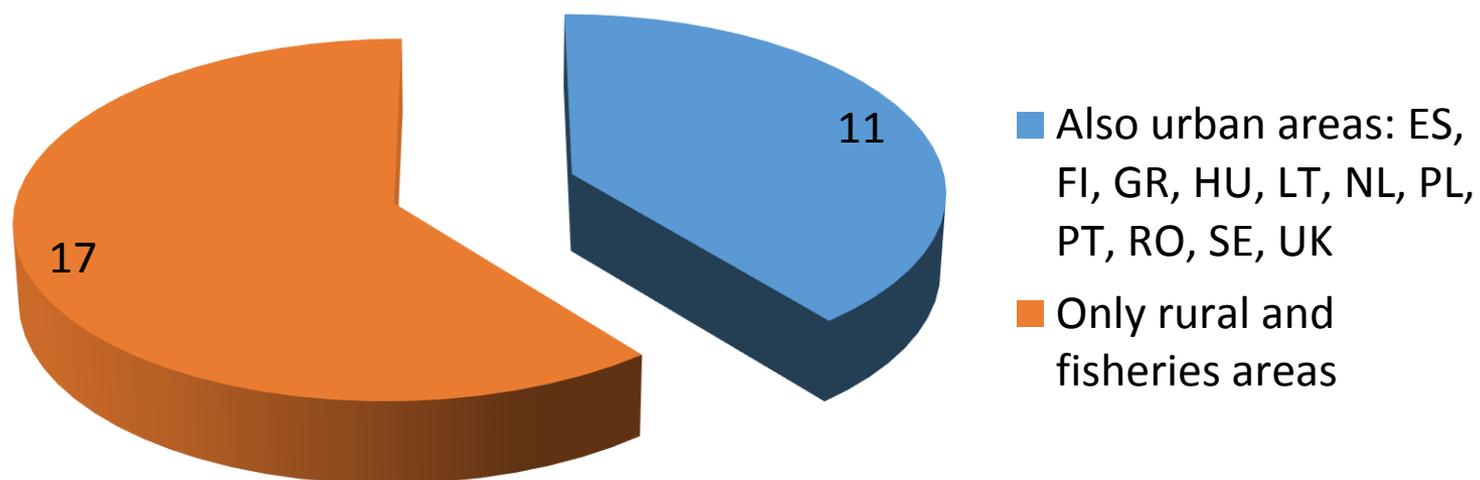


# Examples of MS allocation



# Member States with CLLD possible also in urban areas:

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# Other observations

- Coordination mostly described in terms of „demarcation”, with the aim of avoiding overlap
  - Measures to ensure a coordinated approach include:
    - Joint MA for all CLLD Funds (SE)
    - Joint body with delegated responsibilities (DK)
    - Joint Monitoring Committee (UK Sc)
    - Nominating a „Lead Ministry” (SK)
    - National Permanent Conference (CZ)
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