

#### Using ESI Funds for Roma Inclusion

EURoma meeting: Closing the 2007-2013 programming period

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## **General Policy Framework on ESF and Roma** inclusion

- ➤ A clearer focus on Roma inclusion than under the past programming period 2007-2013
- A specific investment priority (IP 9 (ii)) on promoting the "socioeconomic integration of marginalised communities such as the Roma"
- ➤ IP 9 (ii) part of the larger thematic objective (TO) on social inclusion: at least 20% of MS total ESF envelope earmarked on this objective
- But, ESF intervention for Roma communities through mainstream support under the other IPs of the TO on social inclusion as well as under the TO on employment and education.





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- The ESF explicitly (but not exclusively) targets marginalised communities, such as the Roma
- ESF intervention aims at tackling segregation by promoting desegregation
- A stronger linkage with the political priorities identified in the CSRs and the ESF programmes
- ➤ A thematic ex ante conditionality (EAC): "a national Roma inclusion strategic policy framework is in place"



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Strong monitoring methods as part of the RI EAC

Increasing capacities of public administration and stakeholders

> RI as part of the transnational cooperation framework





#### State of play of the programming on Roma inclusion in the ESF

- > 1,5 € billion of the ESF total budget on the IP 9 (ii)
- ▶ IP 9 (ii) selected by 13 MSs (representing approximately 50% of the estimated Roma population): AT, BE, BG, CZ, ES, FR, GR, HU, IT, PL, RO, SK
- ➤ 35 OPs selected IP 9 (ii)\*

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional figures based on the latest data available





## State of play – Ex ante conditionality on Roma Inclusion

> 14 Member States covered

- > 9 MSs: EAC fulfilled before the OP/ PA adoption
- > 5 MSs have submitted action plans to ensure the fulfilment of the RI EAC by the end of 2016 at the latest





# The enforcement of the partnership principle

- Article 5 CPR and the European Code of Conduct on Partnership
- ➤ Involvement of partners in the preparation of the PA/ OPs as well as in the implementation of OPs including through the participation in the monitoring committees
- Reinforcing the capacities of partners by using MS TA or making use of the art. 6. 3 ESF





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