2014-2020 Rural Development Programme: Key facts & figures

ITALY - LIGURIA

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1. General information

	Country	Italy			
Geographical Area	Region	Liguria			
Rural population (1) Rural area (1) Agricultural area Total Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA)	Inhabitants (4)	0.5 million			
	% of total population (4)	31.6 %			
	Density - Inhab/km2 (4)	189			
	Km2 (4)	2 700.2			
	% of total area (4)	49.8 %			
	На (3)	43 780			
	% of total territory (3)	8.1 %			
Forest and other wooded land	Ha (2)	375 000			
	% of total area (2)	69.2 %			
Total employment	People (3)	0.7 million			
Rural employment (1)	% of total workforce (3)	28.4 %			

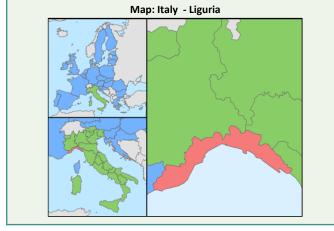
Data source: Italy - Liguria 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme (RDP). Note: (1) OECD definition applies, including intermediate and predominantly rural regions; (2) 2005 data; (3) 2010 data; (4) 2012 data; (5) 2010 based on 2012 total region territory data.

EAFRD* support: EUR 134 832 000	
0.1 % of Total EAFRD support for EU-28	l



Planned total public expenditure: EUR 313 708 702

Primary sector contribution to Gross Value Added (GVA)	% of total (3)	1.3 %
No of agricultural holdings	No (3)	20 210
Average farm size	ha UAA/holding (3)	2.2
High Nature Value farming	% of total UAA	n.a.
Farmland Birds Index (FBI)	Index 2000 = 100	n.a.



Examples of expected achievements

- Almost 3 900 places will be made available in training courses. In addition, 88 projects will be supported to strengthen the link between agriculture, food and forestry sectors and research and the programme will implement the European Innovation Partnership (EIP).
- The RDP will support the start-up of 558 young farmers and investments and modernisation in more than 1 450 farms, with a specific emphasis on innovation as a means to increase competitiveness. The programme will support 871 farms to participate in quality schemes.
- Around 11 % of agricultural land will be under contracts to improve water management, 15.1% of the agricultural land and more
 than 1 100 hectares of forest land under management contracts combating soil erosion, and 13% of agricultural land and 12 000
 hectares of forestry land will be under management contracts supporting biodiversity.
- Almost 20 % of the allocated EAFRD amount will be used for area-based payments to farmers for using environment/climate-friendly land management practices, including organic farming (supporting almost 2 600 hectares).
- Local Development Strategies (LDS) will be implemented through 5 LEADER Local Action Groups (LAGs) and will cover almost 59 % of the rural population, creating 94 additional jobs. Around 16 % of the rural population in rural areas will benefit from new or improved broadband services/infrastructures.

Examples of key challenges

- In the region 84.6 % of the total area is currently considered Less Favoured Areas.
- In Liguria the farm sector is facing structural changes. The average size of the more than 20 000 farms is 2.6 ha and only less than 3 % of farms are over 10 ha.
- More than 40 % of the energy produced by the region is from renewable sources, but energy production from biomass is very limited even if constantly increasing.
- · The main environmental challenges to be tackled are landslides, soil erosion and forest fires.

Source: DG AGRI, Factsheet on 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme for Liguria, October 2015 <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/it/factsheet-liguria_en_advelopment-2014-2020/country-files/it/factsh

^{*} European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

2. RDP focus areas: planned expenditure, measures and 2023 targets

This section illustrates each rural development priority (P) with a focus on: the indicative budget per Focus Area (FA) and its breakdown by selected measure; and the relation between the indicative planned total public expenditure and the expected 2023 targets set by the Managing Authority for each focus area.

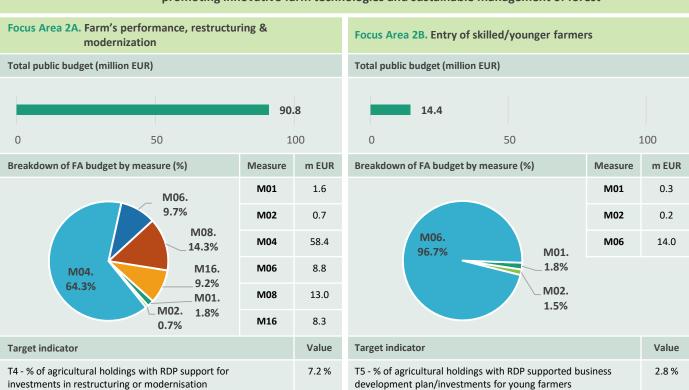
P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation: Fostering knowledge transfer and innovation in agriculture, forestry, and rural areas

Priority 1 is considered a cross-cutting priority: the budget under Priorities 2 - 6 contributes to the achievement of Priority 1 specific targets.

Focus Area 1A. Innovation & cooperation					
Target indicator	Value				
T1 - % of expenditure under Articles 14, 15 and 35 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 in relation to the total expenditure for the RDP	6.3 %				
Focus Area 1C. Lifelong learning & vocational training					
Target indicator	Value				
T3 - Total number of participants trained under Article 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013	3 860				

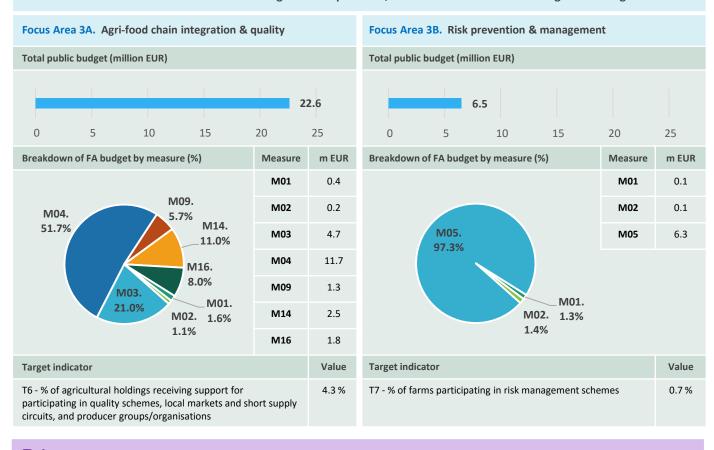
Target indicator Value T2 - Total number of cooperation operations supported under the cooperation measure (Article 35 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013) (groups, networks/clusters, pilot projects...), of which: Nr of EIP operational groups to be supported (establishment and operation)

P2 – Competitiveness: Enhancing farm viability and competitiveness of all types of agriculture in all regions and promoting innovative farm technologies and sustainable management of forest

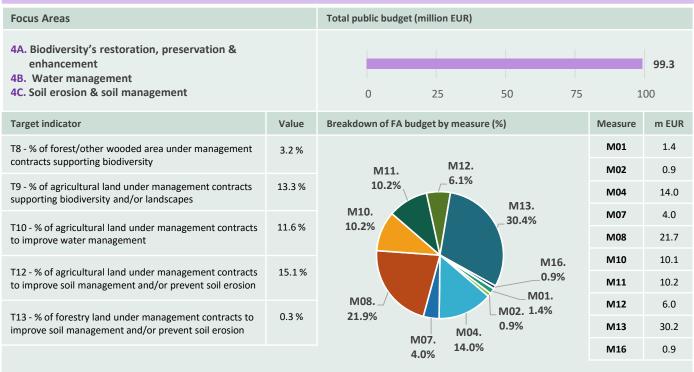




P3 – Food chain & risk management: Promoting food chain organisation, including processing and marketing of agricultural products, animal welfare and risk management in agriculture

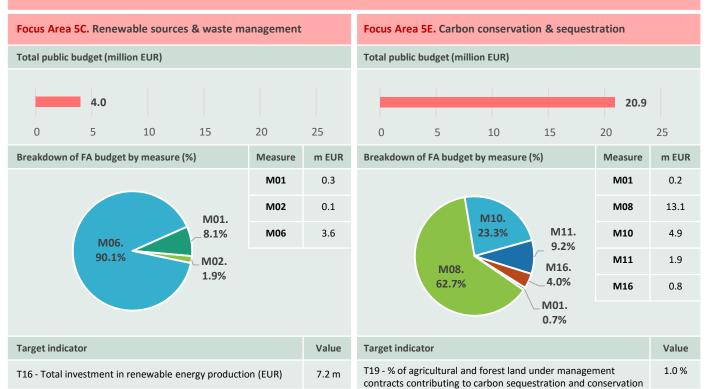


P4 – Ecosystems management: Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems related to agriculture and forestry





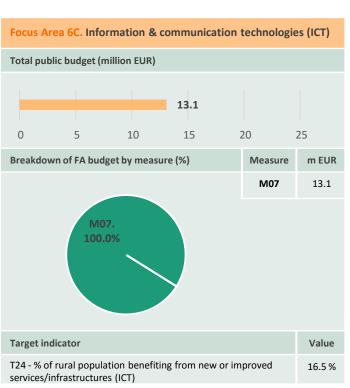
P5 - Resource efficiency & climate: Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low carbon and climate resilient economy in agriculture, food and forestry sectors





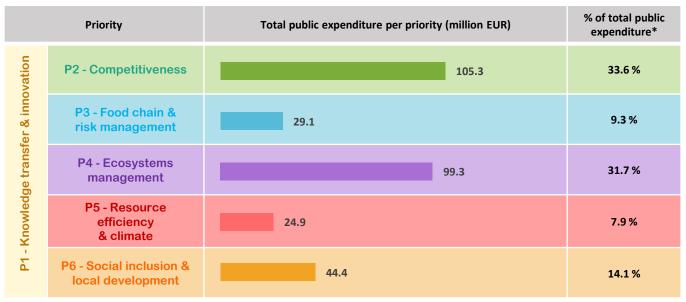
P6 - Social inclusion & local development: Promoting social inclusion poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas

Focus Area 6A. Diversification & job creation Focus Area 6B. Local development Total public budget (million EUR) Total public budget (million EUR) 6.4 24.9 0 5 10 15 20 25 10 20 25 15 Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%) Measure m EUR Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%) Measure m EUR M19 M01 0.9 24.9 M01. M02 0.5 M07. 13.7% M19. 64.6% M06 0.9 100.0% M02. M07 4.1 8.3% M06. 13.5% **Target indicator Target indicator** Value Value T20 - Jobs created in supported projects 28 T21 - % of rural population covered by local development 58.6% strategies T23 - Jobs created in supported projects (LEADER) 66.0



3. Planned expenditure per priority

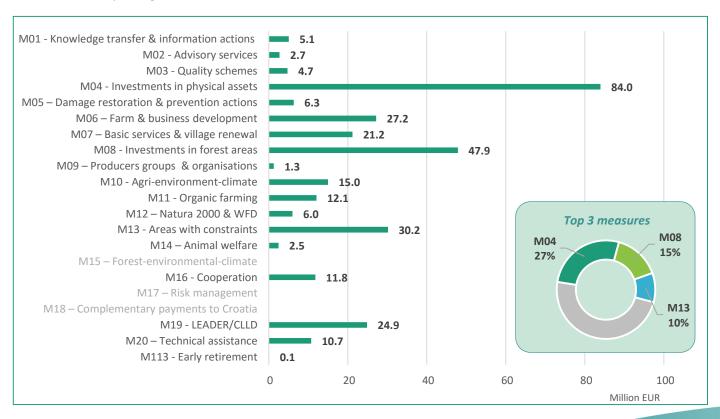
The following table shows how the planned total public expenditure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution) is allocated between rural development priorities. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed across other focus areas.



^{*} Figures do not add up to 100 % because the budget for technical assistance is not included. The budget for technical assistance is available in Section 4.

4. Planned expenditure per measure (million EUR)

The following chart shows the indicative planned total public expenditure per measure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution). The measures illustrated in the chart are the complete list of measures selected within the RDP. Measures in color light gray were not selected by the region.



5. Choice of measures by priority and focus areas

The following chart shows which priorities and focus areas are selected in the RDP and the combination of measures used to address them. For each measure the budget breakdown per focus area is given. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed across other focus areas. Expenditure under Priority 4 is programmed for the priority as a whole, not for individual focus areas.

Priority	P1 Knowledge transfer & innovation		P2 Competi- tiveness		P3 Food chain & risk manage- ment		P4 Ecosystems management		P5 Resource efficiency & climate				P6 Social inclusion & local development							
Focus Area	1A - Innovation & cooperation	1B - Links with research & innovation	1C - Lifelong learning & vocational training	2A - Farm's performance, restructuring & modernisation	2B – Entry of skilled/younger farmers	3A - Agri-food chain integration & quality	3B - Risk prevention & management	4A – Biodiversity's restoration, preservation & enhancement	4B - Water management	4C - Soil erosion & soil management	5A - Water use efficiency	5B - Energy use efficiency	5C - Renewable sources & waste management	5D - Greenhouse Gas & ammonia emissions	5E - Carbon conservation & sequestration	6A - Diversification & job creation	6B - Local development	6C – ICT - Information & communication technologies	Total	Planned expenditure (million EUR)
M01 - Knowledge transfer & information actions				32%	5%	7%	2%		28%				6%		3%	17%			100%	5.1
M02 - Advisory services				24%	8%	9%	3%		34%				3%			19%			100%	2.7
M03 - Quality schemes						100%													100%	4.7
M04 - Investments in physical assets				70%		14%			17%										100%	84.0
M05 – Damage/restoration /prevention actions							100%												100%	6.3
M06 – Farm & business development				32%	51%								13%			3%			100%	27.2
M07 – Basic services & village renewal									19%							20%		62%	100%	21.2
M08 - Investments in forest areas				27%					45%						27%				100%	47.9
M09 – Producers groups & organisations						100%													100%	1.3
M10 - Agri-environment- climate									67%						33%				100%	15.0
M11 - Organic farming									84%						16%				100%	12.1
M12 – Natura 2000 & WFD									100%										100%	6.0
M13 - Areas with constraints									100%										100%	30.2
M14 – Animal welfare						100%													100%	2.5
M15 – Forest- environmental-climate																				
M16 – Cooperation				70%		15%			7%						7%				100%	11.8
M17 – Risk management																				
M18 – Complementary payments to Croatia																				
M19 - LEADER/CLLD																	100%		100%	24.9

6. Additional info

Date of RDP approval	06/10/2015
Italian National Rural Network	Rete Rurale Nazionale www.reterurale.it
Managing authority	Dirigente pro-tempore del Settore Politiche Agricole e della Pesca della Regione Liguria
Paying agency	Agenzia per le erogazioni in agricoltura (AGEA)
Coordination body	MIPAAF – Direzione generale dello sviluppo rurale
RDP country documents	http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/it_en.htm
National Partnership Agreement summary	http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-italy-summary_en.pdf
Partnership Agreement	http://www.dps.gov.it/it/AccordoPartenariato
Rural Development Regulation 2014-2020	Regulation (EU) Nº 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) [PDF en]

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