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# Technical Support Instrument - TSI

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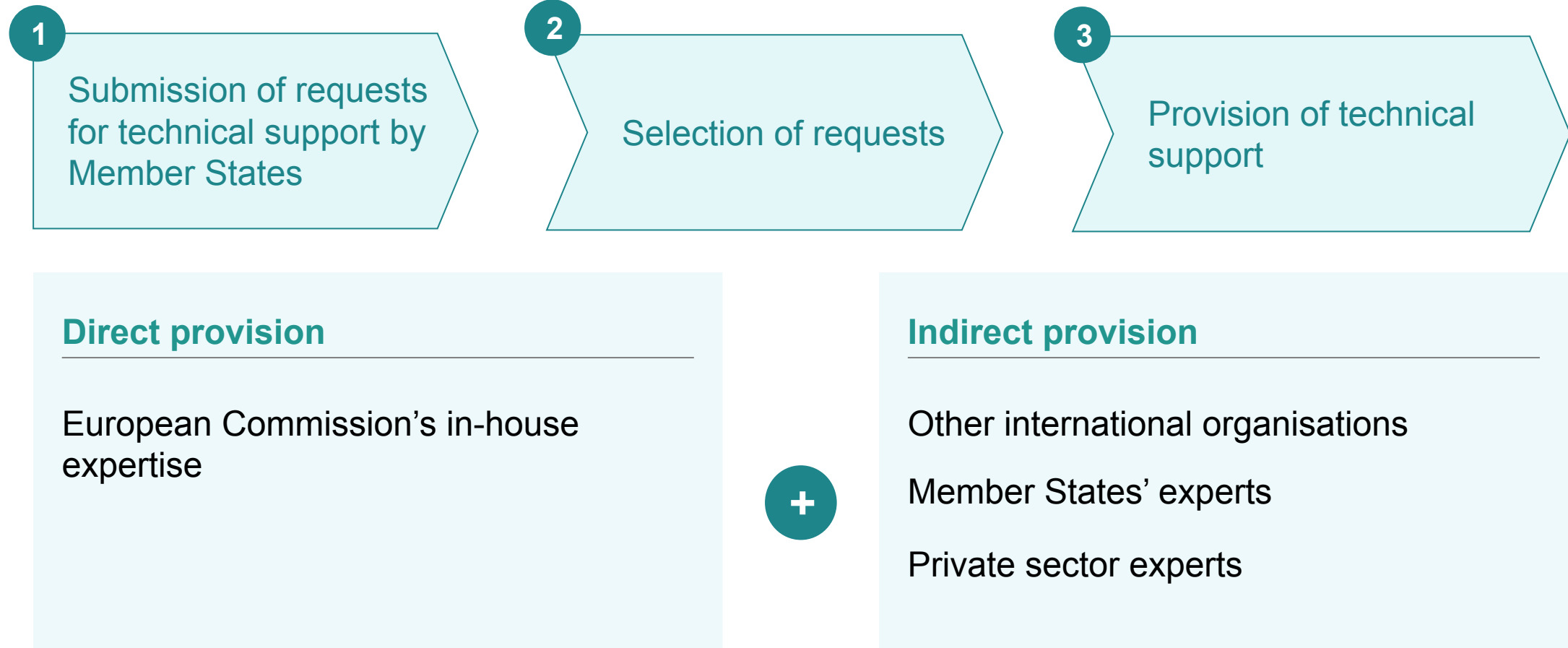
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# The technical support instrument (TSI)

- Provides **tailor-made technical expertise** to EU Member States to **design and implement reforms**
- Is **demand driven** and **does not require any co-financing** from Member States
- Covers a **wide range of reform areas, in any reform phase**
- **National, regional level , local level** (including outermost regions)
- **€ 864 million of budget** for the period 2021-2027<sup>1</sup>



# How does the Technical Support Instrument work?



**DG REFORM involved throughout the duration of the project**

# Selection of projects/Commission assessment

- **Assessment criteria**  
(urgency, breadth & depth, support needs, administrative capacity)
- Criteria related to **sound financial management**  
(maturity, focus and expected results)
- **Prioritisation by the Member States**
- **Added value and impact on the ground**
- **Avoid overlaps** (the action proposed cannot be financed by other EU funding programmes)



# WHAT TYPES OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT?

Review and development of legislative and policy frameworks

Assessment of the state of play on access to key services

Stimulating stakeholders involvement

Design & implementation of specific services and policy measures/ national or regional strategies

Design of monitoring and evaluation mechanisms and tools

Capacity Building /Pilot testing of recommendations

## Digital Health

Creation and implementation of the National eHealth Centre (Czechia)

Adapting healthcare delivery models in Castilla la Mancha and Catalonia to the integration of telemedicine solutions

E-Health Strategic Development Plan 2020-2025 (Croatia)

The future directions and evolutions of eHealth (Belgium)

Health ICT governance framework (Estonia)

## Primary care

Start-up services for primary health care units (Austria)

Support for the development of the primary care system (Hungary)

Integrated primary care in Flanders (Belgium)

Strengthening NHS by empowering professionals in Portugal

Adapting governance and requirements for primary care

Framework for multidisciplinary PC teams for adults and children

## Public health

Improving public health actions through better information on equity and SDH and tools for evaluating health promotion interventions

Integrating mental health services for adults (Denmark)

National Action Plan combatting Anti-Microbial Resistance (Latvia)

OPTIMISE - youth prevention, community sexually transmitted infection (STI) services, integrated hepatitis c care

Cancer screening, strategies (Italy, Romania, Slovakia, Latvia)

## Hospital sector

Capacity building – design and procurement of investments for three regional hospitals (Romania)

Redesign of the reimbursement systems for hospital care (Greece, Poland, Slovenia)

Restructuring of the hospital sector (Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Portugal, Croatia)

Fostering ambulatory surgeries (Hungary)

Centralized procurement (Greece, Portugal)

## Transversal reforms

Genomics DE (Germany)

Artificial Intelligence in healthcare (Slovakia)

Development of country-specific HSPA framework (Lithuania, Croatia, Ireland, Latvia, Slovenia)

Capacity planning of health system resources (Cyprus)

Transformation of blood services (Romania)

Securing, strengthening and expanding national production of medicines

# Multi-country (multi-region) projects

A **multi-country** or **multi-region** project is a **technical support project** that is **relevant** or **common** to **more than one Member State** as it belongs to the **same policy area** and addresses the **same priorities for technical support**

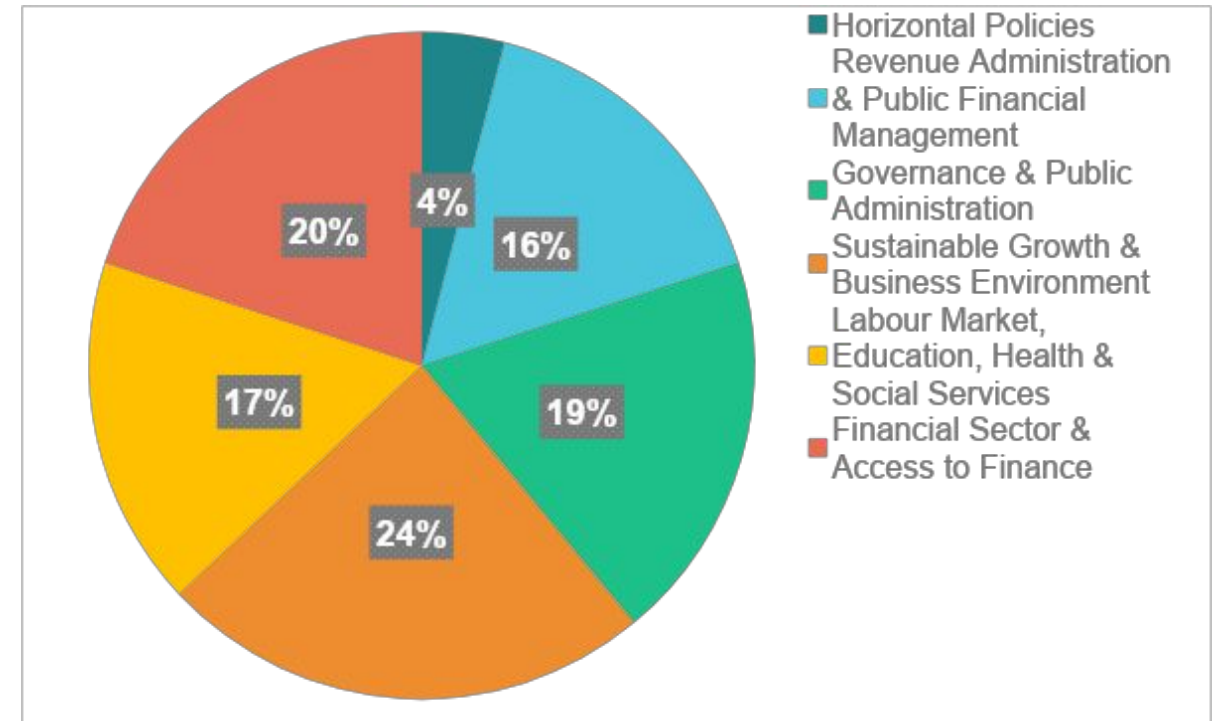




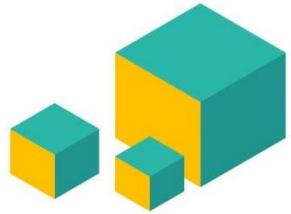
# TSI in 2022 – general call

225 requests approved in 2022

- 57% contribute to the implementation of the **Recovery and Resilience Plans**
- 52% contribute to **digital transition**
- 36% contribute to **green transition**







# Technical Support Instrument Flagship Projects 2024

- ☐ Public Administration Cooperation Exchange
- ☐ Artificial Intelligence
- ☐ Digital Financial Literacy
- ☐ Digital Transformation of Tax and Customs Administrations
- ☐ Enhancing the quality of Public Finances
- ☐ The Green Deal Industrial Plan
- ☐ Support to the Social Climate Fund and the revised EU Emissions Trading System
- ☐ Overcoming Barriers to Regional Development
- ☐ Enhancing reception/ accommodation capacity for migrants
- ☐ Mental Health: fostering well-being and mental health
- ☐ Skills: fostering skills development systems better adapted to the labour market
- ☐ Reinforcing Democracy and the Rule of Law
- ☐ The Public Administration of the future



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### **Strengthen the capacity of health systems to deal with mental health issues:**

- Assess the cost of the mental health reform and review of legislation;
- Develop practical toolkits for protection and prevention, especially for the educational setting, the digital sphere and the workplace;
- Foster integrated mental health care approach and ensure coordination and cooperation across policy areas at all levels (national, regional, local, school).

### **Increase the availability, accessibility and inclusiveness of mental health services:**

- Support the development of operational frameworks for mental health and psychosocial support in various settings – such as at school, at work, in community settings for older adults, prisons and juvenile detention centres and in healthcare;
- Set mechanisms to consult and/or enable community stakeholders

### **Mainstream mental health and physical exercise in the educational setting**

- Develop targeted measures in cooperation with mental health professionals;
- Promote physical activity and other well-being enhancing activities in educational settings;
- Roll out awareness raising actions on mental health literacy and the impact of social media on mental health

### **Support mental health professionals:**

- Support the preparation and implementation of integrated interventions (social services, healthcare, education, workplace) in the area of mental health;
- Strengthen the capacity of mental health professionals and of the social/community services in charge of mental health;
- Strengthen the collaboration among health professionals across disciplines.

# **Mental health: fostering well-being and mental health**





# owards person-centred integrated care



## MAP EXISTING INFORMATION SYSTEMS

- Assessing care services, gaps and barriers to an effective delivery of care
- Evaluation of primary care, hospital care, long-term care and mental care services from various perspectives: legislation, governance, resources, funding, capacity or e-tools/
- Identification of barriers to the effective organisation and delivery of care, including barriers to the provision of integrated care

## DEVELOP STRATEGIES AND ROADMAPS FOR ACHIEVING INTEGRATED CARE

Support in designing strategies that include governance, resources, funding, capacity or e-tools/ necessary to operationalize them.

## SUPPORT THE DIGITALISATION OF CARE

Support to ensure that the digitalisation of health, social and long-term care relies on digital solutions in an interoperable manner.

## PILOTS AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Pilots activities to test implementation on the ground.

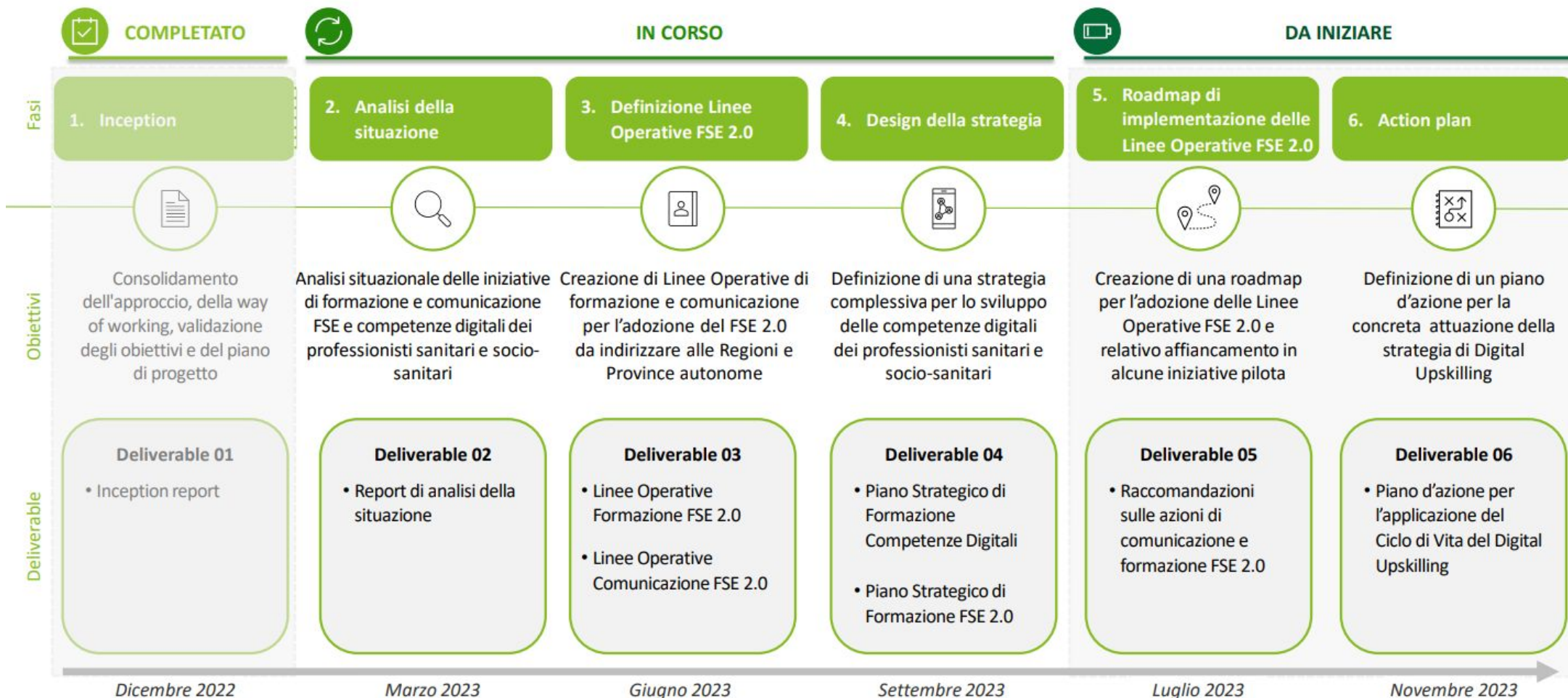
## EXCHANGE OF GOOD PRACTICES WITH OTHER MEMBER STATES AND STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS

Workshops, Study Visits, Expert visits with other Member States.





## Panoramica dell'approccio progettuale: fasi, obiettivi e principali deliverable



# Public Administration cooperation exchange (PACE)

**NEW**

- **Promote direct, one-to-one dialogues** and allow different stakeholders to learn from each other and share knowledge
- Targeted study visit, where 1-5 civil servant(s) from an EU MS authority will be embedded to an EU peer administration **from 5 days to 3 months**
- Participating administrations will submit an “**expression of interest**”, demonstrating their capacity building needs and explaining their interest
- Preparation of a **final deliverable**, such as a final report or study



# Thank you for your attention !

More info:

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