

# JA NFP4Health Webinar

## Exploring Synergies among EU Programmes

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## Synergies 2021-2027

In the 2021-2027 programming, the European Commission intended and intends **to promote the use of synergies** between the **ordinary programs** included in the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF), the **Structural Funds**, and the programs belonging to the **Next Generation EU** package, trying to simplify and untie those knots that in the previous programming have compromised a wider and real implementation



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The aim of synergies between EU Structural and Investment Funds and Horizon Europe is to **maximize the scientific, economic and social impact** of the resources foreseen in the 2021-2027 Multi-annual Financial Framework, as well as to **increase investments in research and innovation** by leveraging different sources of financing.

## Horizon Europe and Cohesion Policy: Working for Innovation



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## KEY CONDITIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL SYNERGIES

- **At political level:** a shared vision
- **At programming level:** Strategic Alignment & co-creation
- **At operational level:** consistent provisions in the frameworks



### SUPPORT INITIATIVES:

- ✓ *Seal of Excellence Community of Practice (regular meetings & IT platform)*
- ✓ ***GUIDANCE ON SYNERGIES (OJ C 421 of 4/11/2022)***
- ✓ *RIMA: New network brings together key R&I and cohesion policy actors*



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ANNEX

user-friendly guidance

Draft COMMISSION NOTICE Synergies between Horizon Europe and ERDF  
programmes

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COMMUNICATION TO THE COMMISSION

legal and implementation details

Approval of the content of a draft Commission Notice on the synergies between ERDF  
programmes and Horizon Europe

financial rules

Roles and responsibilities of  
relevant actors

**LINK** [https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/news/all-research-and-innovation-news/synergies-guidance-out-2022-07-06\\_en](https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/news/all-research-and-innovation-news/synergies-guidance-out-2022-07-06_en)

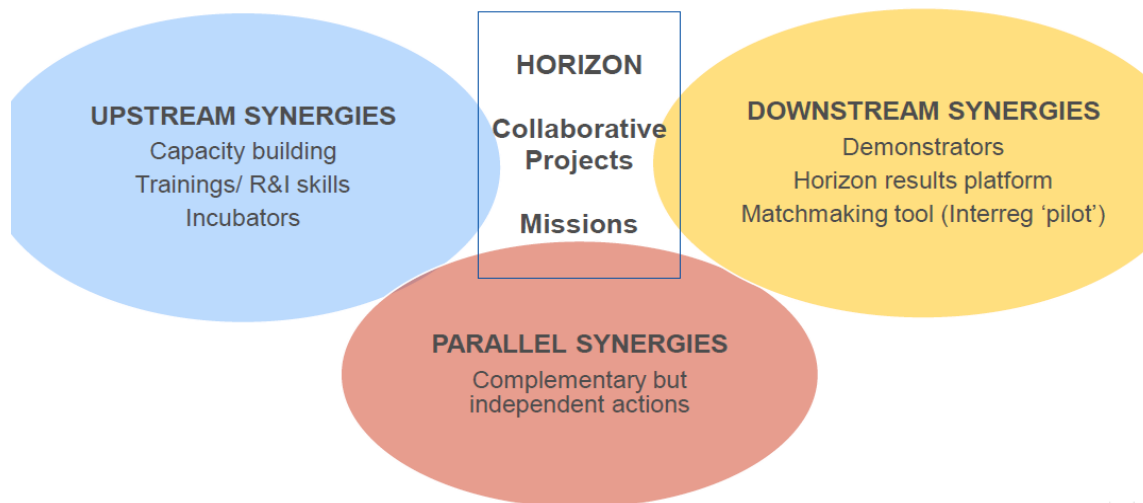


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## OBJECTIVES OF new provisions and the guidance

1. **SIMPLIFICATION** → easy implementation, less red tape and administration
2. **NEW OPPORTUNITIES** → diversification but fully respecting the specific objectives of each programme
3. **LEGAL CERTAINTY** → clarity of rules and concrete steps

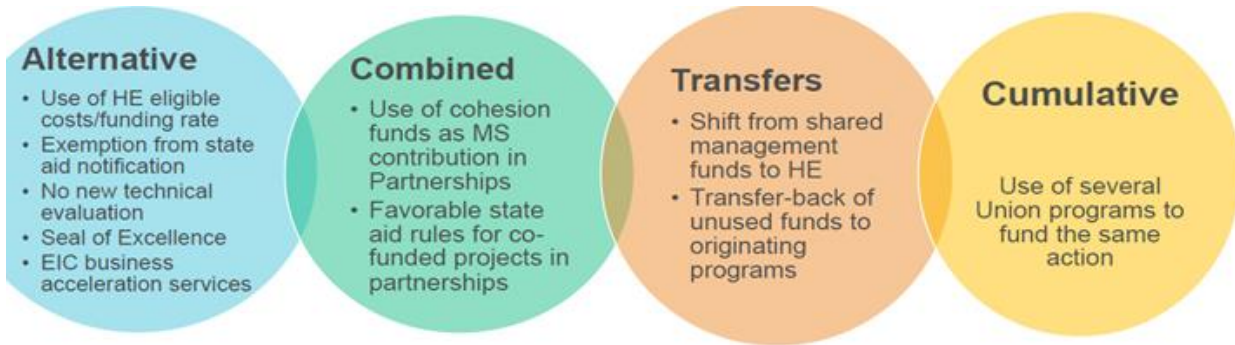
## Synergies: Wide RANGE OF OPPORTUNITIES



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# Key types of Synergies & Expected impacts



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## Support to Partnerships



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ERDF as MS contribution in Horizon Europe partnerships

major incentive for participation of regional actors + alignment towards common EU priorities



**Financial contributions from programmes co financed by European Structural and Investment Funds may be considered as contribution of a Member State for participating in Horizon Europe**

**Example 1:** Co funded Partnerships under Horizon Europe (where national funding bodies provide financial support to third parties, which are reimbursed by Commission)

**Example 2:** Institutionalised European Partnership (Article 185/7) partnerships, under certain conditions



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