State of play of negotiations

Roma inclusion in the next programming period

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Process

- Overview of schedule
- Negotiation on regulations
- Informal dialogue

Content – main provisions

- CPR
- ESF regulation
Schedule

Partnership agreements: end of 2013
Operational programmes: middle of 2014

This presupposes
- CPR adoption by Council in Autumn
- EP approval in July
Negotiation on regulations

Trilogue on CPR: all main blocks discussed
Trilogue on funds regulations, including ESF, ongoing
Political trilogues on main outstanding issues
Informal dialogue

Commission position papers (Oct-Nov 2012)
1-2 informal dialogue meetings
Informal draft PAs
One formal submission by BG
"Maturity" check
Content – main provisions

I. Quantity

- More funding for investment into people and employment and social policy reforms: ESF minimum share
- More funding on social inclusion: 20%
- Specific investment priority

II. Quality

- Effective partnership
- Better access to funds
- Integrated approach
Amount of funding

*ESF minimum share*

- COM proposal
- Council PGA: thematic objective based approach
- EP: COM prop. + region level flexibility + safety net
- COM non-paper: EP + more differentiation between category of regions + ERDF safety net

*Social inclusion minimum share*

- Formally OK but 20% of what?

*IP*

- EP: „Comprehensive socio-economic” integration of …
II. Quality

*Effective partnership*
  - ESF Article 6: Involvement of partners

*Better access to funds*
  - ESF Article 14: Simplified cost options

*Integrated approach*
  - CPR Art. 14.: Partnership Agreement to address the specific needs of target groups at highest risk of exclusion by all relevant funds