

# RRF 1<sup>st</sup> payment request – SLOVENIA

Preliminary positive assessment by the Commission





## Timeline of Slovenia's RRP implementation

## RRP design and adoption



- RRP submitted on 30 April 2021
- Approved by COM on 1 July 2021
- Endorsed by Council on 28 July 2021

## RRP implementation Setup

- Financing and loan agreements signed on 13 September 2021 and 24 May 2022, respectively
- Operational arrangement signed and published on 31 March 2022

## First payment request\*

- Submitted on 20 October 2022
- Positive preliminary assessment adopted by COM on 8 March

<sup>\*</sup> The assessment period was extended by 12 weeks upon request by SI to allow them to complete the audit dataset required, and improve the functioning of the audit and control system under M181





## Structure of the adopted document

- The Communication:
  - o Endorses the overall positive preliminary assessment
  - o Authorises ECFIN Director General to transmit the assessment to the EFC
  - o Takes note that the assessment will be made available to the EP
- The **Annex** to the Communication presents the summary of the positive preliminary assessment of each relevant milestone and target, including:
  - Context (short description of measure and of milestone/target)
  - o Description of the evidence provided by the Member State
  - Analysis on how the evidence provided duly justifies that the milestone/target is satisfactorily fulfilled
  - o Final Commission preliminary assessment for each milestone/target





## Slovenia's first payment request: overview

	Investments	Reforms	Total
Non-repayable support	2	10	12

- The first payment request concerns 12 milestones and no targets out of the 209 milestones and targets in the Slovenian plan. It relates to an instalment of EUR 49.6 m, net of pre-financing.
- The milestones are linked to key steps in the implementation of reforms and investments.
- The investment-related milestones cover cross-border and multi-country projects on European common data infrastructure and services, as well as Low-Power Processors and Semiconductor Chips.
- The milestones related to reforms cover the digital transition, business environment, efficient public institutions, and long-term care.
- The request also includes a milestone on audit and control, aimed at protecting the Union's financial interests.





## Slovenia's first payment request: Key measures

#### Key Reforms:

- Strengthening capital markets:
  - [M 124] Entry into force of the Act on forms of alternative investment funds
- Effective public institutions:
  - [M 174] Entry into force of the amendment to the Public Procurement Act
- Removing administrative barriers:
  - [M 171] Entry into force of the Debureaucratisation Act

#### Investments:

- European Common Data Infrastructure and Services
  - [M 83] Launch of the call for expression of interest in a new project on next generation cloud
- Low-Power Processors and Semiconductor Chips
  - [M 85] Finalisation of the list of potential participants to the common project



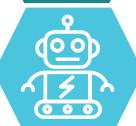


## Digital transformation (4 milestones)

• [M77] Adoption of a strategy for the digital transformation of enterprises



• [M83] Launch of the call for expression of interest in a new project on next generation cloud



• [M85] Finalisation of the list of potential participants to the common project



• [M90] State Administration Informatics Development Council established and operational



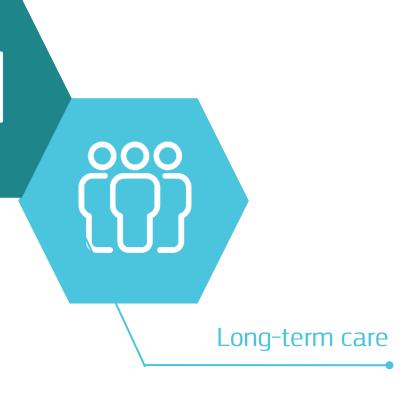




## Resilience (4 milestones)

#### Effective public institutions

- [M 171] Entry into force of the Debureaucratisation Act
- [M 174] Entry into force of the amendment to the Public Procurement Act
- [M 178] Alignment of Slovenia's
  public procurement databases with the
  European Commission's database and
  transmission of the data necessary for the
  full publication of
  public procurement indicators in the Single
  Market Scoreboard



• [M 196] National monitoring model for quality indicators for long-term care providers

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## Smart, sustainable and inclusive growth (3 milestones)

#### Raising productivity, a businessfriendly environment for investors

- [M 124] Entry into force of the Act on forms of alternative investment funds
- [M 126] Entry into force of amendments to the Investment Promotion Act with the aim of promoting the green transition



#### **Tourism**

[M 149] Entry into force of a Decree on Development Incentives for Tourism





### **Audit and control**



The objective of the reform was to put in place and formalise the legal and institutional framework for an adequate functioning of the control and audit system.

To achieve this, the following measures have been taken:

- (i) the Office for the Implementation of the RRP has been established as a separate body within the Ministry of Finance, it acts as the Coordinating Authority for the implementation of the RRP,
- (ii) the Decree on bodies affiliated to ministries has been amended to reflect this;
- (iii) the Decree and the Guidelines of the Coordinating Body describing the procedures for carrying out audits and controls in compliance with applicable Union and national legislation have been adopted,
- (iv) the IT system (MFERAC) has been upgraded.

The A&C system was assessed positively.





### Assessment of milestones

Slovenia submitted evidence in line with the OA verification mechanism via FENIX:

- All **supporting documents** such as: copy of legal acts, official documents, public calls for tender, publicly available reports, etc
- Summary documents duly justifying how the milestones were satisfactorily fulfilled
  - Recalling the objective of the measure
  - Listing supporting documents provided
  - Explaining how the evidence provided addresses the requirements set out in the CID Annex

#### COM assessed the submitted evidence against the OA annex I and CID annex requirements

- Supporting evidence corresponds to the list contained in the verification mechanism (OA Annex I)
- Measures taken fulfil the description of the objectives of the measure and the Milestone criteria (CID annex description and milestones)





## Next steps

- EFC discussion (27 March)
- Comitology (around 1 week)
- Payment around 20 April



## Thank you

More information: Commission webpage on the RRF

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