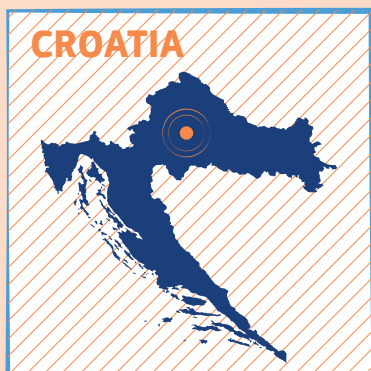




# EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL AND INVESTMENT FUNDS:

## Making the difference, everyday

2019 STATE OF PLAY ON IMPLEMENTATION



### EUROPEAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (ERDF)

Thanks to funding from the ERDF, more than 4,000 households benefited from energy-renovated buildings, over 23,000 pupils can use new ICT equipment in Croatian schools. Some 1,400 entrepreneurs have received support, and 3,600 new workplaces have been created with the support through financial instruments.



### COHESION FUND (CF)

As a result to financing received from the Cohesion Fund, 20 km of railway has been reconstructed or upgraded with a view to promoting the modal shift from road to rail. Due to the investments in public urban transport, the number of rides has increased by 8%. Besides, more than 4,000 hectares of Natura 2,000 forest land has been demined and restored.



### EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND (ESF)

The ESF has co-financed the participation of some 24,200 young people in specific actions aimed at sustainable integration into the labour market. Almost 8,000 students with disabilities received support by teaching assistants in schools. Around 7,000 women have been employed to provide care services for nearly 30,000 elderly and disadvantaged people in their households.



### EUROPEAN AGRICULTURAL FUND FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (EAFRD)

The EAFRD has provided start up aid for about 1,600 farmers to develop their small farms. Due to the support, some 40,500 hectares of land has been covered by agri-environment-climate measures. 37,500 people working in the farming and forestry sector received training and advisory services, and 35% of the rural population has benefited from improved infrastructure.

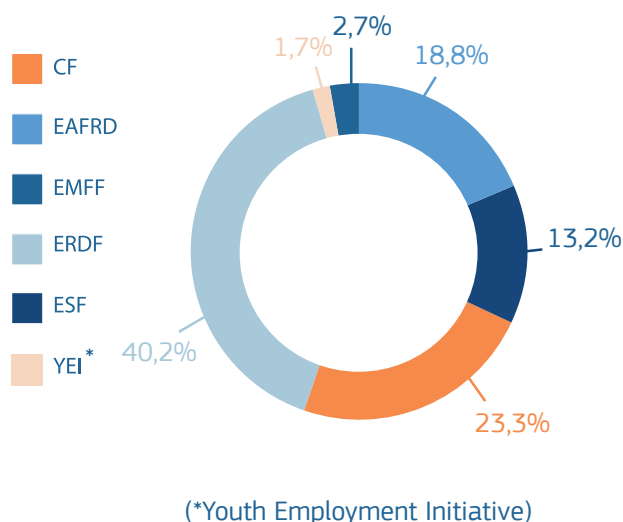


### EUROPEAN MARITIME AND FISHERIES FUND (EMFF)

By the end of 2018, €119 million of the EMFF envelope have been contracted with 572 projects under implementation. These projects will help enhance the competitiveness of the fishery, agriculture and processing sectors by diversifying production, improving facilities and renovating fishing ports.

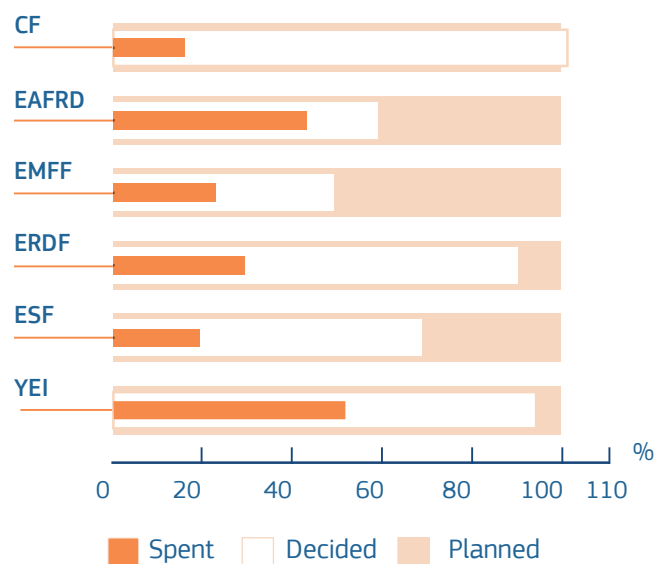
## OVERALL FUNDING & IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

### Budget by Fund



### Implementation by Fund for Croatia

(total cost % of planned)



## EXAMPLES OF SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED PROJECTS



### EUROPEAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (ERDF)

#### e-Schools project

The e-Schools project aims to increase ICT use in primary and secondary education in Croatia by providing ICT equipment and educational tools for schools and teachers. This will enhance teachers' professional development, improve the quality of education and increase students' employability. The total cost of the project is EUR €40 million, including €25 million from the ERDF and €8.5 million from the ESF.

<https://pilot.e-skole.hr/>



### EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND (ESF)

#### Teaching and communication assistants in the support of inclusive education

The goal of the project is to increase social inclusion and integration of students with disabilities in primary and secondary schools and prepare them for independent participation in society and the labor market by the support of teaching and communication assistants. So far, three phases of the call have been/are being implemented. The total cost of the third phase is €4.3 million, including €2.7 million from the ESF.

<https://pomocniciunastavi.com/o-projektu/>



### EUROPEAN AGRICULTURAL FUND FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (EAFRD)

#### Modernisation of the figs production at the Family farm Ostojić

Family farm Ostojić has grown figs for over a century. With support from the Rural Development Programme, the owner has invested in farm mechanisation and farmland, managed to modernise the fig processing line and develop marketing activities, also linking the fig production with tourist and catering services. The total cost of the project is €92.000, including €78,500 from the EAFRD.

<https://smokva-ostojic.com/hr/smokva/>



### EUROPEAN MARITIME AND FISHERIES FUND (EMFF)

#### Fish farm modernization on the island of Cres (Orada Adriatic d.o.o.)

Through the project an existing farm was upgraded with better working production conditions in terms of capacity and technology. The investment helped to modernise the production process, increase the total production, reduce the unit cost, and reinforce the competitiveness of the company on the domestic and international market. The total cost of the project is €2.7 million, including €1 million from the EMFF.

<https://www.royal-adriatic.com/www.orada-adriatic.hr>