



EEA and Norway Grants Fund for Youth Employment - call for proposals

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Aims and priorities of the Fund

- Complementing existing EU funding
- Transnational focus
- Target group: young people between 15-29
- Special focus on 25-29 age group
- NEETs
- Long-term unemployed, the discouraged, the inactive and vulnerable groups

■ **Beneficiary countries:**

1. Bulgaria
2. Croatia
3. Cyprus
4. Czech Republic
5. Estonia
6. Hungary
7. Greece
8. Latvia
9. Lithuania
10. Malta
11. Poland
12. Portugal
13. Romania
14. Slovakia
15. Slovenia

■ **Additionally eligible countries:**

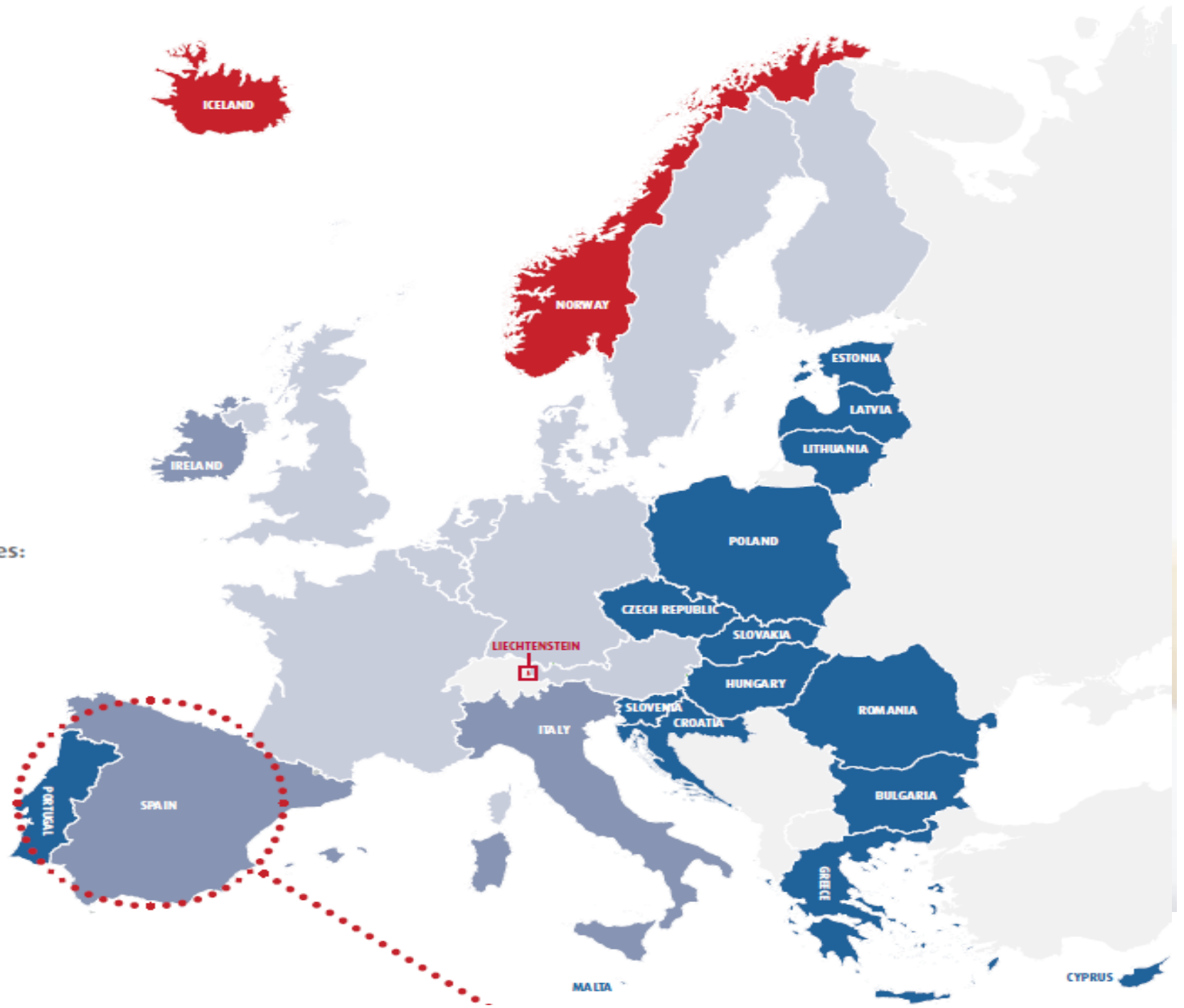
1. Spain
2. Ireland
3. Italy

Expertise partners:

■ **Donor countries:**

1. Norway
2. Iceland
3. Liechtenstein

■ **Non-beneficiary
EU member countries**



Eligible entities



Municipalities



Regions



**Organisational units
of central government,
state enterprises,
state organisations**



**Public and private education
and research institutions**



**Civil society organisations,
non-profit organisations,
foundations**



Commercial companies



**Cooperatives
(manufacturing,
housing, consumer)**



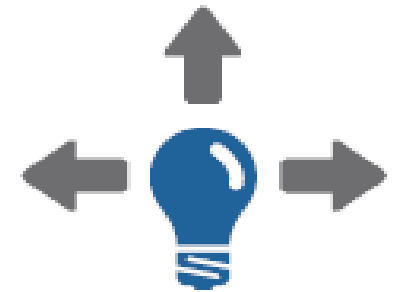
**Business support
organisations**



**Social partners
(trade unions, sector associations,
employer associations,
chambers of commerce and industry)**

Support areas (can be combined)

- *Innovation and exploration*
- *Transfer of know-how and good practice*
- *Analysis and research*



Exploration and innovation – NEW ideas

- Developing and testing new approaches;
- The inclusion of new non-traditional stakeholders;
- Focus on non-systemic approaches, e.g. outreach, community-based approaches, family learning;
- Mixing informal, non-formal and formal learning arenas;
- Innovative focus on employability and soft skills;
- Experimental pedagogy, didactics, mentoring and coaching approaches;
- Innovative mobility measures and job placements;
- The development or involvement of social entrepreneurship/enterprises.

Transfer of know-how and good practice

- Transferring know-how and good practice on youth employment initiatives across European countries.
- To ensure successful transfers, proposals that seek to replicate or copy good practice must be accompanied by analyses of the specific context, conditions and structures of the original practices, as well as suggestions on how these will transfer to a new context.
- See examples in the call for proposals

Analysis and research

- Evaluations and impact studies
- Capacity-building
- PhDs
- Transnational analyses and evaluations of interventions targeting older (25+) NEETs and disadvantaged groups are specific priorities of the Fund.

Timeline

26 April: Launch
of Fund and first
call for proposals

1 August:
Deadline for
applicants

Late 2017:
Selection of
projects



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