

EUROPEAN COMMISSION STRUCTURAL REFORM SUPPORT SERVICE

Policy support to reforms of national research and innovation systems in Europe
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THE STRUCTURAL REFORM SUPPORT SERVICE, SRSS, IS A SERVICE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION WITH A MANDATE TO:

- SUPPORT ALL EU MEMBER STATES WITH THE PREPARATION, DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF GROWTH-ENHANCING REFORMS;
- FOCUS ON TAILOR-MADE SUPPORT, ON THE GROUND; AND
- STEER AND COORDINATE TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROVIDED BY THE COMMISSION

IT IS FINANCED BY THE STRUCTURAL REFORM SUPPORT PROGRAMME (SRSP): 142.8 MN FOR 2017-2020

HOW IT WORKS

AT THE REQUEST OF A MEMBER STATE, THE SRSS:

- 1) ENGAGES IN A DIALOGUE TO DISCUSS TECHNICAL SUPPORT NEEDS;
- 2) AGREES ON A "COOPERATION AND SUPPORT PLAN" WITH THE MEMBER STATE; AND
- 3) PROVIDES FINANCING FOR THE TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND COORDINATES THE NECESSARY EXPERTISE.

THE SRSS COVERS THE ENTIRE TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROCESS FROM INCEPTION TO COMPLETION OF REFORMS AND ITS SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE TO ALL EU MEMBER STATES.

SRSS FACTS

- CREATED IN JULY 2015;
- OFFICES IN BRUSSELS, ATHENS AND NICOSIA;
- 150+ STAFF.

AREAS OF SUPPORT COVERAGE

MEMBER STATE REFORMS AT THEIR OWN INITIATIVE

- GROWTH-ENHANCING REFORMS TO ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENT, GROWTH AND JOB CREATION

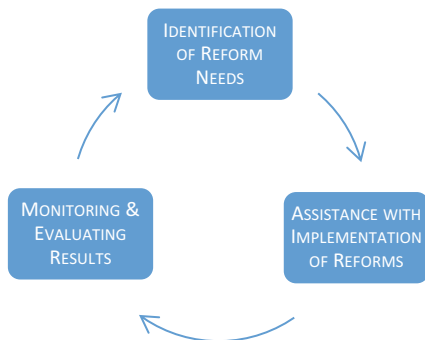
ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE PROCESSES

- EUROPEAN SEMESTER
- UNION LAW
- EU POLICY PRIORITIES
- BETTER USE OF EU FUNDS

ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMMES

REFORM PROCESS CYCLE

THE SRSS ENGAGES WITH MEMBER STATES THROUGHOUT THE VARIOUS STAGES OF THE REFORM PROCESS, ENSURING THAT SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE WHERE IT IS MOST NEEDED DURING THE ENTIRE PROCESS.



TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROVIDERS

THE SRSS WORKS WITH PROVIDERS TO GIVE TAILOR-MADE TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC NEEDS. THIS INCLUDES SUPPORT PROVIDED BY:

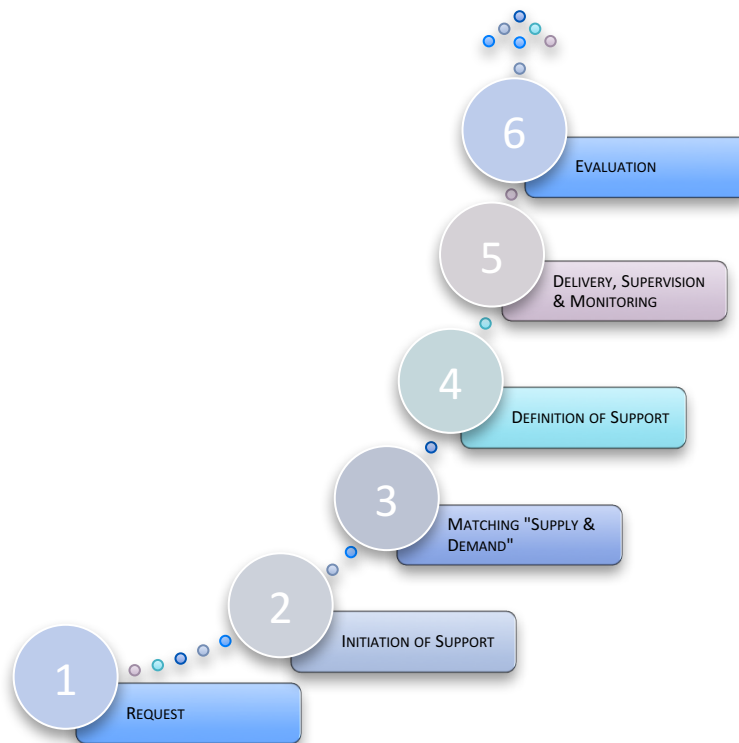
- EXPERTS FROM MEMBER STATES ADMINISTRATIONS;
- INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS;
- PRIVATE FIRMS, INCLUDING CONSULTANCY FIRMS; AND
- INDIVIDUAL EXPERTS.

TOGETHER WITH IN-HOUSE COMMISSION EXPERTISE DELIVERED DIRECTLY, THESE PROVIDERS ENSURE THAT THE APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE IS DELIVERED WHERE IT IS NEEDED.

TYPES OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT



TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROCESS



POLICY AREAS OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROVIDED

- GOVERNANCE & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
- GROWTH & BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT
- REVENUE ADMINISTRATION & PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
- FINANCIAL SECTOR
- LABOUR MARKET, HEALTH CARE, EDUCATION AND OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES