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Who we are and who/what I represent:

- **Caritas** is a catholic no profit **pastoral organization** based in every Diocese in Italy (222), Venice..Rome...Milan..ecc
 - The aim is to promote charity, human wellness, justice and human rights of any kind of person, according to **Catholic values**
 - There is an **network of Caritas**: regional, national, continental (for us European) and International
 - Our Caritas Venice is member of Italian national federation for homeless called **fio.PSD**
 - I am a member of CPE, of **Europe group** of fio.PSD and **europoject** manager for Caritas Veneto
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What are the priorities of Europe 2020?

Cohesion Policy has set **11 thematic objectives** supporting growth for the period 2014-2020.

- **Investment from the ERDF** will support all 11 objectives, but **1-4 are the main priorities** for investment.
- **Main priorities for the ESF** are **8-11**, though the Fund also supports 1-4.
- The **Cohesion Fund** supports objectives 4-7 and 11.

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1. Strengthening research, technological development and innovation



5. Promoting climate change adaptation, risk prevention and management



8. Promoting sustainable and quality employment and supporting labour mobility



2. Enhancing access to, and use and quality of, information and communication technologies



6. Preserving and protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency



9. Promoting social inclusion, combating poverty and any discrimination



3. Enhancing the competitiveness of SMEs



7. Promoting sustainable transport and improving network infrastructures



10. Investing in education, training and lifelong learning



4. Supporting the shift towards a low-carbon economy



11. Improving the efficiency of public administration

Priorities for Europe 2014-2020

What's *new* for 2014-2020?

- **Stronger focus on results:** clearer and measurable targets for better accountability.
- **Simplification:** one set of rules for five Funds.
- **Conditions:** introduction of specific preconditions before funds can be channelled.
- **Strengthened urban dimension and fight for social inclusion:** a minimum amount of ERDF earmarked for integrated projects in cities and of ESF to support marginalised communities.
- **Link to economic reform:** the Commission may suspend funding for a Member State which does not comply with EU economic rules.

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Our **pathway with ERDF** of Veneto region and **Caritas of Veneto**:

1. March 2013: **persons who head the department** of ERDF and other Structural Funds
 2. September 2013: first **meeting with Public Authorities** of Veneto Region in charge of ESF and ERDF
 3. Meetings with **8 directors of diocesan Caritas** (Venezia, Padova, Vicenza, Verona, Treviso, Adria-Rovigo, Belluno, Vittorio Veneto) to have the **all support of** a regional network on European issues
 4. December 2013: **Caritas Italiana** set up a new ‘task force’ for European issue, called ‘Professional European Committee’ (CPE in Italian)
 5. **Send to PA the requests** of Caritas of Veneto to **partecipate** to the main ‘Partnerships’: ERDF and ESF (real member in ERDF, just an external in ESF)
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2 documents of Caritas Veneto (one for ERDF and one for ESF) where we put some requests and clarifications about the ‘**social**’ **impact** and engagement of PA according to Europe Strategy, in particular about **poverty and homeless**, we asked for:

- a. Integration** between ERDF and ESF (*2 authorities without dialogue*)
 - b. Social inclusion and housing policies** (*very high demand of houses*)
 - c. More attention** to disadvantaged and poor people, not able to have a ‘normal’ job (*such as homeless, alcoholics*)
 - d. Overtake the emergency approach** with an integrated and **personal approach** (*not just food and dormitory but house, personal project of inclusion, residential permit, ecc*)
 - e. High level of local services** (*ex. spending review on welfare system*)
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- Organization of social cooperatives (**Confcooperative Veneto**) and **Forum of social sector**, two bodies close to Caritas and strongly involved in social issues in order to find a **common position** regarding social attention on ERDF and ESF
 - We had back two **different positions from PA**:
 - **ESF** Authority said that Caritas and other similar organizations are charity entities and **PA must not do charity** and welfare-assistance for poor. «PA must create jobs for enterprises»
 - **ERDF** Authority has met us many times to have **our point of view**, data about homeless and poor people in Veneto, discussing our requests.
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Other **important choice**:

- Contacts with **leaders of opposition parties**, (in Italy the regional government has the control of *social and health system*)
 - The opportunity to **have a different point** of view about the process of Veneto region on European Funds with EU (*transparency is not always a 'must' for governments*)
 - Regarding ERDF Veneto, **we knew from them** what EU asked Veneto for:
 - more **transparency** and **efficient method** of governance,
 - **simplification** of the law and process,
 - **Facilitation** of the access of enterpreners and citizens to Funds,
 - which **specific objectives** Veneto wants to reach by 2020,
 - **collaboration** with local authority, house policy for **smart city**, ecc
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Partnership Agreement of Italy to support our requests with **links to this document** and other official **observations of EU**.

We had more opportunities to underline **our requests**, such as:

- policy for *most deprived population (TO 9)*
 - support and improve strong *integration and collaboration* between private and public sector about housing policy (TO 4 and 9)
 - promote and support *new model* of social inclusion (housing first, co-housing, ecc) (TO 1 and 9)
 - Highline the *target of homeless* (TO 9)
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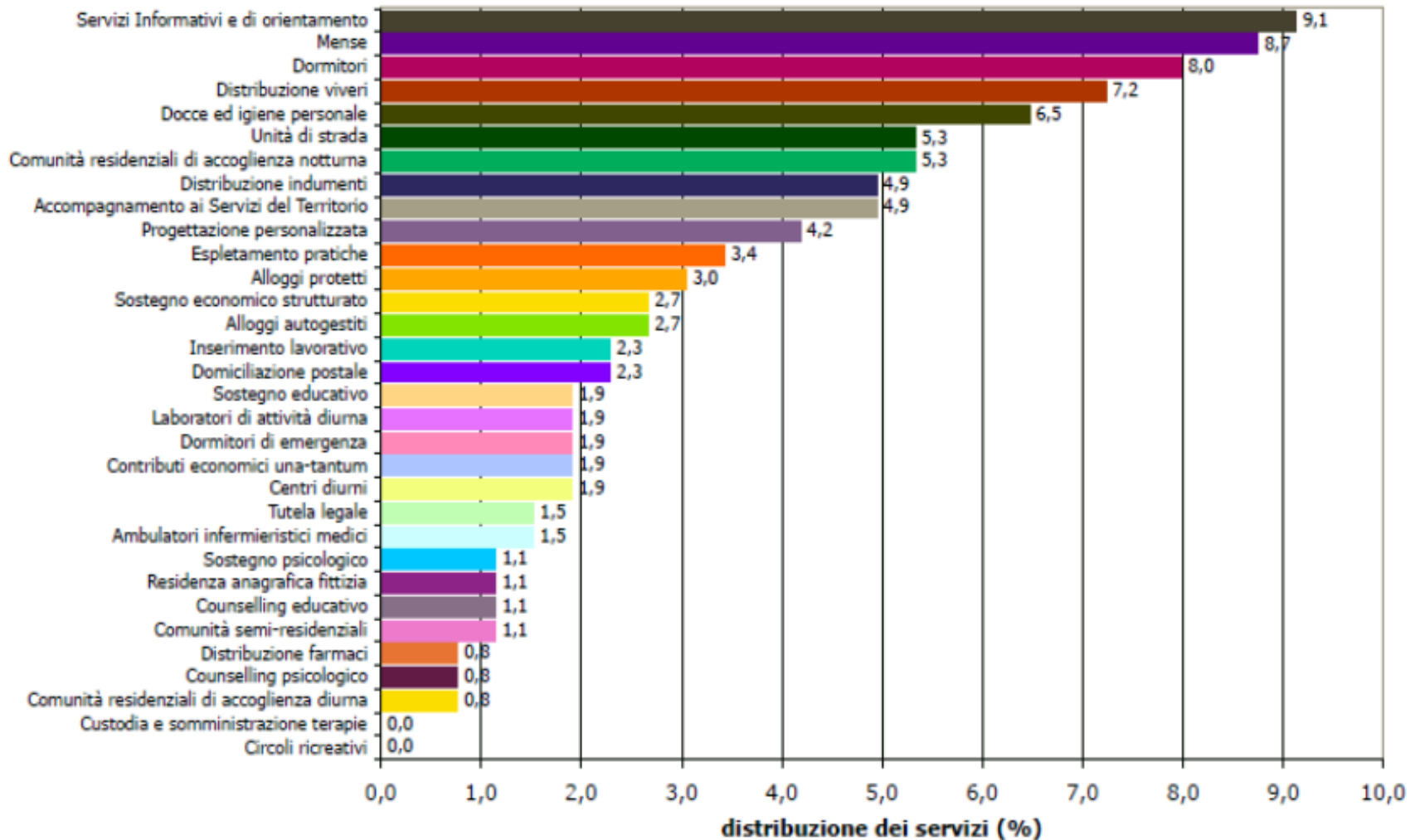
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Population	Italy: app. 60 mln	Veneto: app 5 mln
Homeless	app.50.000	4.874 (2011)
Unemploy rate	12,5%,	7,5%

(www.istat and fio.PSD)

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Some questions and proposals from Caritas:

- Many of interventions are emergency for primary needs, **social and welfare** (dormitory, food, bath, hygiene)
- We need a stronger support for **long-term actions** such as house, protected residence, day center, semi-residential house...
- So it is very important to have funds from ERDF for structural actions (houses, day center, ecc) **integrated** with funds from ESF for education, training, human resources
- More support for helping homeless and poor people to enter into **labour market**, so help them to rebuild and refund own **skills, competences and willeness**

UNTIL NOW ERDF IS NOT APPROVED YET, STILL NEGOTIATING

**PROPOSTA DI REVISIONE
A SEGUITO DELLE OSSERVAZIONI DELLA COMMISSIONE EUROPEA
GLI ASSI DEL POR FESR 2014-2020**



ASSE 1 "RICERCA, SVILUPPO TECNOLOGICO E INNOVAZIONE"

R&D - OT1



ASSE 2 "AGENDA DIGITALE"

ITC - OT2



ASSE 3 "COMPETITIVITÀ DEI SISTEMI PRODUTTIVI"

SME competitiveness - OT3



ASSE 4 "ENERGIA SOSTENIBILE E QUALITÀ DELLA VITA"

Environment ,Low-carbon – OT4-5



ASSE 5 "RISCHIO SISMICO E IDRAULICO"

Prevent risk – OT6



ASSE 6 "SVILUPPO URBANO SOSTENIBILE" (SUS)

Development Urban Sustainable –
OT 4 and 9

ASSE "ASSISTENZA TECNICA"

Technical management - OT11

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axis 6: SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Section 2.A.4 Investment priority

- **ID of the investment priority:** 9b
 - **Title of the investment priority** Providing support for physical, economic and social regeneration of deprived communities in urban and rural areas
 - **ID of the specific objective:** 22
 - **Title of the specific objective:** reduce the number of families with particular social and economic **fragilities with housing disadvantage** (RA 9.4 AdP).
 - **Expected results:** increase number of houses, apartments, flat, for fragile and poor people
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axis 6: SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Section 2.A.4 Investment priority

- **ID of the specific objective:** 23
 - **Title of the specific objective:** reduce the marginalized poor people and interventions for **social inclusion for homeless people** (RA 9.5 AdP)
 - **Expected results:** recovery houses, with new approaches too. Enanche the capacity of territorial services to identify, support and help the targeted people. Implement personal and specific projects for homeless
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axis 6: SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Prospectives of Veneto PA:

- Target of **urban center** <50.000 population
 - **Integration** public and private entities
 - **Coordination** of PA with local authorities and social and no profit associations
 - Strong **relationship** between TO 4 – 7 – 9 (efficient energy, mobility and poverty)
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Table 3: Programme-specific result indicators, by specific objective

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023)	Frequency of reporting
16	Families with housing difficulties	Percentage	6,62	2011	4,01	yearly

- **Table 5: Common and programme-specific output indicators**

Investment priority	9b - Providing support for physical, economic and social regeneration of deprived communities in urban and rural areas			
	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value (2023)	Frequency of reporting
	Urban Development: Rehabilitated housing in urban areas	Housing units	350,00	Yearly
	Persons beneficiaries	Numero	1.700,00	Yearly
«no-official statement»	Homeless	Percentage	-10%	

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Priority axis 6 -	SVILUPPO URBANO SOSTENIBILE (SUS)		
	Code		€ amount
	054.	Housing infrastructure	13.500.000,00
	055	Other social infrastructure contributing to regional and local development	3.500.000,00
	01.	Large Urban areas (densely populated >50 000 population)	42.000.000,00

ERDF pag 237, for homeless:

- **long-term** actions, following the reception and a **stairway-model** of 4 steps:
 1. Reception and **primary needs**
 2. **Personal projects** with public and private network
 3. **Social housing**
 4. Involvement of **local community**

ERDF should give financial support for step 1 and 3, while ESF for steps 2 and 4 (*we hope!!*)

PIANO FINANZIARIO PER ASSE POR FESR 2014-2020

ASSE	TITOLO	ALLOCAZIONE FINANZIARIA <i>in Euro</i>	ALLOCAZIONE FINANZIARIA <i>in %</i>
1	RICERCA, SVILUPPO TECNOLOGICO E INNOVAZIONE	114.000.000	20
2	AGENDA DIGITALE	77.000.000	13
3	COMPETITIVITÀ DEI SISTEMI PRODUTTIVI	159.739.776	28
4	ENERGIA SOSTENIBILE E QUALITÀ DELLA VITA	92.558.512	16
5	RISCHIO SISMICO E IDRAULICO	45.000.000	8
6	SVILUPPO URBANO SOSTENIBILE (SUS)	88.000.000	15
	TOTALE (al netto Assistenza Tecnica)	576.298.288	100
	ASSISTENZA TECNICA	24.012.428	4
	TOTALE POR FESR 2014-2020	600.310.716	



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Thank you very much for your
attention

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Proposal of questions for our discussion:

- 1. Who are the PA of ERDF and ESF?*
 - 2. Have you a person/team in your organization who follows the Structural Funds?*
 - 3. Have you read the Documents (Partnership Agreement, ERDF, ESF, Regulation, Europe Strategy 2020, ecc) with special attention for TO 9?*
 - 4. Have you met PA to talk about meaning of 'social inclusion, combating poverty, actions for homeless'?*
 - 5. Which are the steps to do for more active participation about partnership of ERDF and ESF?*
 - 6. Is it worth to participate and ask for money to SF? Or is it too complicate?*
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