



Working Together for a Green, Competitive and Inclusive Europe

EUR 103.4 million has been allocated to a number of cooperation programmes with Croatia through the EEA and Norway Grants (2014-2021). These programmes are designed to strengthen cooperation between Norway and Croatia and to promote social and economic development in Croatia.

Innovation and business development will be important focus areas, with an emphasis on green industry innovation and blue growth. In the area of justice, efforts to make the work of the courts more effective will be given priority. Other focus areas include renewable energy, education, and local development.

Four Norwegian agencies are involved as partners in implementing the programmes, and in assisting in the recruitment of Norwegian project partners.

EUR 22 million

Innovation and business development



EUR 27.8 million

Education and local development



EUR 15 million

Justice and home affairs



EUR 17 million

Energy and climate change



3 May 2016

Agreement on the EEA and Norway Grants for 2014-21 signed between Norway and the EU

March 2017 to July 2018

Negotiations between Norway and Croatia

3 July 2018

Signing of agreement between Norway and Croatia

From August 2018

Development of programmes and open calls for proposals

19 July

Agreement on the reallocation of the reserve

30 April 2024

Completion of the 2014-2021 funding period

2016

2017

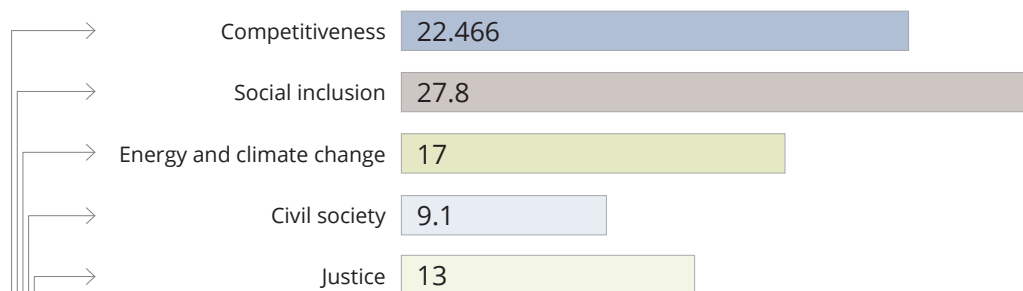
2018

2021

2024

SUPPORT DISTRIBUTED BY SECTOR 2014-2021

in mill EUR



OVERVIEW OF PROGRAMMES

Programme	Norwegian partner	Allocation (EUR million)
Business development and innovation	Innovation Norway	22
Decent work	Innovation Norway	0.466
Education and local development	Norwegian Agency for International Cooperation and Quality Enhancement in Higher Education	27.8
Renewable energy	Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate	17
Civil society		9.1
Increasing the effectiveness of the courts	Norwegian Courts Administration	15
Bilateral fund		2.8

THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS

The EEA and Norway Grants have their basis in the EEA Agreement. Under the Agreement, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway are part of the EU's internal market. The EEA Agreement sets out the common goal of working together to reduce social and economic disparities in Europe and strengthen cooperation between donor and beneficiary countries. Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway have allocated EUR 2.8 billion to 15 EU countries for this purpose over a period of seven years. Norway provides just under 98 % of this amount.

The EEA and Norway Grants are an important tool in the Norwegian Government's active European policy, which seeks to promote a green, competitive and inclusive Europe.

FUNDING TO CROATIA UNDER THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS:

Croatia has received funding under the EEA and Norway Grants since April 2014, after the country became an EU member in 2013.



Statistics



Population in millions	5.2	4.2
Area km ²	385 170	56 538
GDP per capita (EUR)	67 100	9965
Unemployment in percent	4.1	11.1
Trade (exports + imports) EUR million	815	



EUR 9.1 million
Civil society

Iceland  Liechtenstein  Norway 
Norway grants grants

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