Norwegian Ministry
of Foreign Affairs

ESTONIA

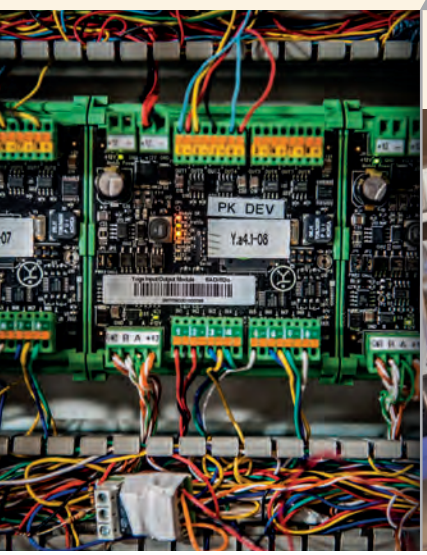
# Working Together for a Green, Competitive and Inclusive Europe

EUR 68 million has been allocated to support a number of cooperation programmes with Estonia through the EEA and Norway Grants. The programmes are designed to strengthen Norwegian–Estonian cooperation and help Estonia tackle important social and economic challenges.

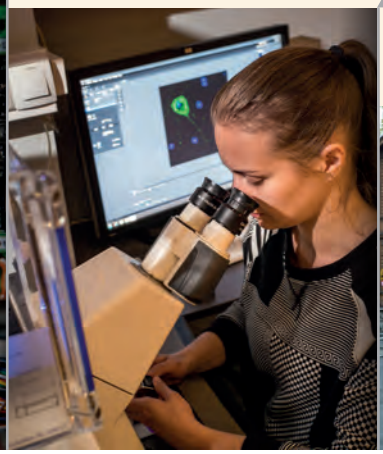
Business development and research are key areas for cooperation. In addition, climate change, health, culture, and children and youth are given priority. Some of the support is contributing to the Estonian government's efforts to integrate the Russian-speaking minority.

A total of seven Norwegian government agencies and institutions are involved in implementing these programmes and in recruiting Norwegian project partners.

**EUR 23.0 million**
Business Development and innovation




**EUR 7.1 million**
Research and Education



**EUR 18.0 million**
Local Development and Reduction of Poverty

**EUR 6.0 million**
Climate change

**3 May**
Agreements signed by Norway and the EU

**June to April**
Negotiations between Norway and Estonia

**9 May**
Agreements signed by Norway and Estonia

**From May**
Development of programmes and open calls for proposals

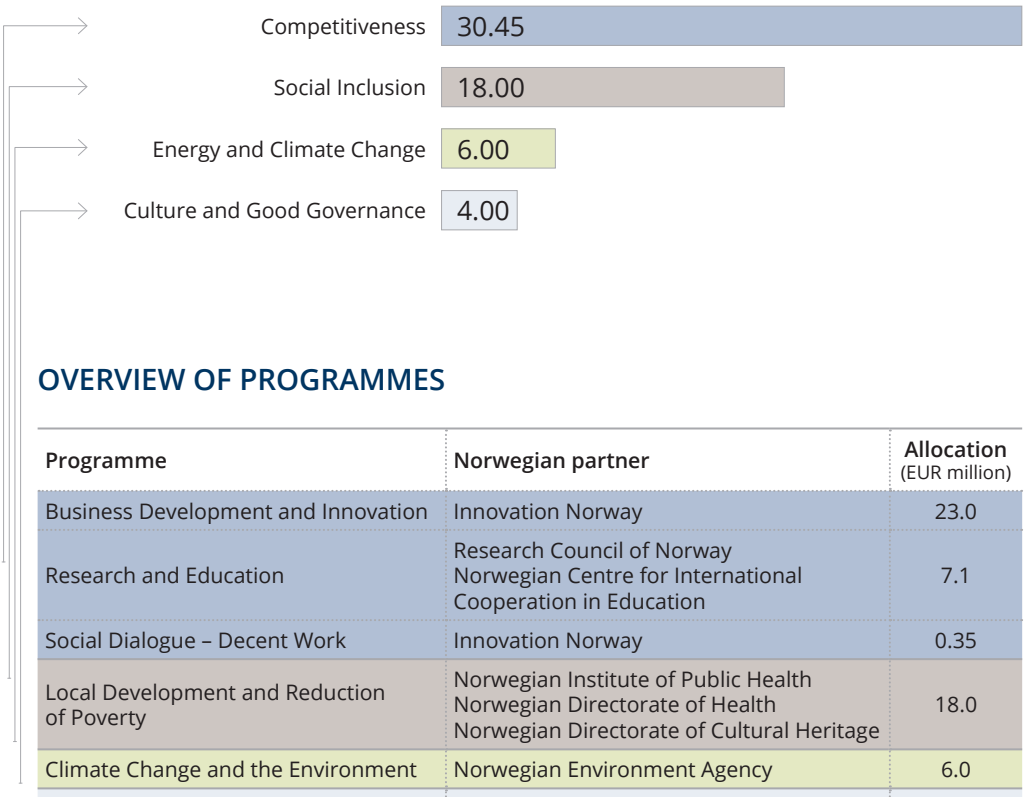
**By 2020**
Reallocation of reserve

**30 April 2024**
Completion of the 2014-2021 funding period

2016 → 2017 → 2020 → 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 | 23.0 |
| Research and Education | Research Council of Norway<br>Norwegian Centre for International Cooperation in Education | 7.1 |
| Social Dialogue – Decent Work | Innovation Norway | 0.35 |
| Local Development and Reduction of Poverty | Norwegian Institute of Public Health<br>Norwegian Directorate of Health<br>Norwegian Directorate of Cultural Heritage | 18.0 |
| Climate Change and the Environment | Norwegian Environment Agency | 6.0 |
| Civil Society | | 4.0 |
| Bilateral fund | | 1.36 |
| Reserve | | 2.06 |

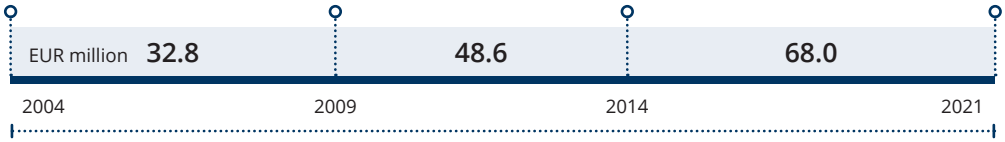
## ABOUT THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS

The EEA and Norway Grants have their basis in the EEA Agreement. Under this agreement, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway are part of the European internal market. The agreement sets out the common goal of working together to reduce social and economic disparities in Europe and strengthening cooperation between European countries. Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway have allocated a total EUR 2.8 billion to 15 EU member states for this purpose for the period 2014-2021. Norway provides almost 98 % of this funding.

The Grants are an important European policy instrument for the Norwegian Government in its efforts to contribute to a green, competitive and inclusive Europe.

## OVERVIEW OF OUR SUPPORT TO ESTONIA

Estonia has received funding under the EEA and Norway Grants since it became a member of the EU in 2004.




## Statistics

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| Population<br>million | 5.2 | 1.3 |
| Area<br>km² | 385 170 | 45 228 |
| GDP<br>per capita in EUR | 67 100 | 15 900 |
| Unemployment<br>in percent | 4.9 | 5.8 |
| Trade<br>in mill EUR | 640 | |

**EUR 4.0 million**
Civil Society

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