

## Approved Projects – Updated 20 May 2015

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## ESF Tackling Poverty through Sustainable Development

<b>Title</b>	<b>ReACT III</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Department for Education & Skills (Welsh Government)		
<b>Synopsis</b>	The Welsh Government's ReAct III programme aims to address the needs of people who have been made redundant, or are under notice of redundancy, through a series of measures designed to remove barriers to obtaining new employment.		
<b>Programme</b>	ESF Tackling Poverty through Sustainable Employment		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	SO 1: To increase the employability of those closest to the labour market at most risk of poverty.		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	Individuals aged 25 years old and over within the West Wales and the Valleys area who have been made redundant in the previous 3 months or those who are under notice of redundancy.		
<b>Geographical area</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	<a href="mailto:WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK">WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK</a>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	£16.7m	<b>Total ESF at approval</b>	£10m

**New addition:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Active Inclusion Fund - WWV</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA)		
<b>Synopsis</b>	This operation will reduce the number of economically inactive and long term unemployed people across West Wales and the Valleys.		
<b>Programme</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	<p>Specific Objective 2:</p> <p>To increase the employability of economically inactive and long term unemployed people aged 25 and over, who have complex barriers to employment.</p>		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	<p>Activities will be targeted and concentrated on the following groups; Economically inactive over 25 years of age</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low/non skilled</li> <li>• Work Limiting Health Conditions/disability</li> <li>• Carers and those with childcare responsibilities</li> <li>• Over 54 years</li> <li>• Jobless households.</li> </ul> <p>Long term unemployed over 25 years of age</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low/non skilled</li> <li>• Work Limiting Health Condition/disability</li> <li>• Carers and those with childcare responsibilities</li> <li>• Jobless households</li> <li>• BAME individuals</li> </ul>		
<b>Geographical area</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	<p>Poverty and Youth Branch</p> <p><a href="mailto:WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK">WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK</a></p>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	£16,521,519	<b>Total ESF at approval</b>	£11,565,064

**New addition:**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Communities4Work</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Welsh Government, Department for Local Government and Communities		
<b>Synopsis</b>	Communities4Work is a major development of the Welsh Government's Communities First Programme to tackle poverty, co-sponsored by the Department for Work and Pensions. This operation will provide opportunities to deliver creative and innovative models of intensive mentoring and employment support, engaging long term unemployed and economically inactive "hard to reach" groups, supporting them into work.		
<b>Programme</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	Specific Objective 2:  To increase the employability of economically inactive and long term unemployed people aged 25 and over, who have complex barriers to employment.		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	Economically inactive over 25 year olds with low or no skills, with working limiting health conditions or disabilities (including substance or alcohol abuse), with care or childcare responsibilities, from jobless households and over 54 year olds. Long term unemployed males over 25 years old with low or no skills, work limiting health conditions or disabilities (including substance and alcohol abuse), from a BME group and jobless households and		
<b>Geographical area</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	Poverty and Youth Branch  <a href="mailto:WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK">WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK</a>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	£22,548,610	<b>Total ESF at approval</b>	£14,431,110

## ESF Skills for Growth

<b>Title</b>	<b>Agile Nation 2</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Chwarae Teg		
<b>Synopsis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote gender equality, career advancement and contribute to the reduction of the pay gap in the labour market.</li> <li>• Deliver skills support and mentoring for women in employment enabling them to progress in employment fully utilising their skills.</li> <li>• Deliver activities for employers focussing on gender disadvantage in the workforce &amp; modern working practices fostering the promotion of diversity in workforce development.</li> </ul>		
<b>Programme</b>	ESF		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	SO4		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	Females/males in non-traditional sectors; women in growth sectors where they are under-represented in the workforce and in senior management roles.		
<b>Geographical area</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	ESF Skills Branch <a href="mailto:WEFOSkillsBranch@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK">WEFOSkillsBranch@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK</a>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	£9.2m	<b>Total ESF at approval</b>	£7m

<b>Title</b>	<b>Agile Nation 2</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Chwarae Teg		
<b>Synopsis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote gender equality, career advancement and contribute to the reduction of the pay gap in the labour market.</li> <li>• Deliver skills support and mentoring for women in employment enabling them to progress in employment fully utilising their skills.</li> <li>• Deliver activities for employers focussing on gender disadvantage in the workforce &amp; modern working practices fostering the promotion of diversity in workforce development.</li> </ul>		
<b>Programme</b>	ESF		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	SO3		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	Females/males in non-traditional sectors; women in growth sectors where they are under-represented in the workforce and in senior management roles.		
<b>Geographical area</b>	East Wales		
<b>Region</b>	East Wales		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	ESF Skills Branch <a href="mailto:WEFOSkillsBranch@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK">WEFOSkillsBranch@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK</a>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	£2m	<b>Total ESF at approval</b>	£1.5m

## ESF – Youth Employment and Attainment

### New addition:

<b>Title</b>	<b>Jobs Growth Wales</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Welsh Government – Department for Education & Skills		
<b>Synopsis</b>	The operation is aimed at unemployed young people aged 16-24, giving them valuable work experience for a 6 month period paid at or above National Minimum Wage between 25 and 40 hours per week		
<b>Programme</b>	West Wales and the Valleys and East Wales		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	Specific Objective 1: To reduce the number of 16-24 year olds who are Not in Employment Education or Training (NEET).		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	16-24 year olds who are unemployed not on the DWP's Work Programme, that are work ready and have completed all relevant training but have failed to secure employment as they lack work experience.		
<b>Geographical area</b>	West Wales and the Valleys and East Wales		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys and East Wales		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	Poverty and Youth Branch <a href="mailto:WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK">WEFOEmploymentYoungPeople@Wales.GSI.Gov.UK</a>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	£32,000,000 (West Wales)	<b>Total ESF at approval</b>	£18,000,000 (West Wales)
	£20,900,000 (East Wales)		£7,000,000 (East Wales)

## ERDF – Research & innovation

<b>Title</b>	<b>Aberystwyth Innovation and Enterprise Campus (AIEC)</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Aberystwyth University & Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC)		
<b>Synopsis</b>	The overall aim of the AIEC is to serve as a platform to develop and evaluate new plant, microbial and animal production systems and increase research and innovation capacity in Wales. The infrastructure, facilities, advanced technology expertise will also help businesses translate innovations and investments in basic plant science, food supply chain, nutrition and environmental research into new products, processes and services.		
<b>Programme</b>	ERDF		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	S.O. (1.1) To increase the success of Welsh research institutions in attracting competitive and private research funding.		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	SME's and Research Institutes		
<b>Geographical area</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	Andrew Davies Andrew.davies4@wales.gsi.gov.uk		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	£35.5m	<b>Total ERDF at approval</b>	£20m



<b>Title</b>	<b>SMART Innovation</b>
<b>Organisation</b>	Welsh Government – Economy, Science and Transport
<b>Synopsis</b>	<p>The SMART Innovation operation will provide Pan Wales support for innovation and commercialisation in the form of specialist advice for SMEs and large companies.</p> <p>The operation will fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Innovation Specialists to provide technical support</li> <li>- Intellectual Property advisors</li> <li>- Manufacturing and Design Advisors (procured via a framework consultancy model)</li> <li>- Collaboration with the National Institute for Social Care and Health Research to facilitate the commercialisation of IP from the health service</li> <li>- Open Innovation activity focusing on developing R&amp;D collaboration opportunities between Welsh SMEs, academia and Anchor companies.</li> <li>- A Commercialisation Manager, who will be closely aligned to the Open Innovation activity.</li> <li>- Innovation Specialists will link closely with academic institutions and develop collaborative projects with businesses and related academic departments.</li> </ul> <p>The operation represents the Welsh Government's core support for innovation and commercialisation. It links very closely with ES&amp;T's SMART Cymru and SMART Expertise operations.</p>
<b>Programme</b>	ERDF
<b>Specific Objective</b>	S.O. (1.2) To increase the successful translation of research and innovation processes into new and improved commercial products, processes and services, in particular through improved technology transfer from HEIs
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	SMEs and large enterprises

<b>Geographical area</b>	Pan Wales		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys & East Wales		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	Natalie Owen Natalie.owen@wales.gsi.gov.uk		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	West Wales: £11.8m  East Wales: £7.9m	<b>Total ERDF at approval</b>	West Wales: £7.7m  East Wales: £3.9m

## ERDF – SME Competitiveness

<b>Title</b>	<b>Entrepreneurship Support – Business Wales</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Welsh Government – Economy, Science and Transport Dept.		
<b>Synopsis</b>	<p>This operation will deliver entrepreneurship promotion and support to Wales based entrepreneurs and young growth businesses in order to develop an entrepreneurial environment and sustainable stock of young businesses in Wales.</p> <p>The operation targets an improved entrepreneurial environment and an increase in number of sustainable business starts ups in Wales leading to an increase in jobs and business growth.</p>		
<b>Programme</b>	ERDF		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	<p>S.O. (2.2)</p> <p>To increase the number of SME start-ups through the provision of information, advice and guidance.</p>		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	Individuals, SMEs		
<b>Geographical area</b>	Pan Wales		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys and East Wales.		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	<p>Fiona Hay</p> <p>Fiona.Hay@wales.gsi.gov.uk</p>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	<p>West Wales and the Valleys: £30.3m</p> <p>East Wales: £10.1m</p>	<b>Total ERDF at approval</b>	<p>West Wales and the Valleys: £18.2m</p> <p>East Wales: £6m</p>

<b>Title</b>	<b>SME Support – Business Wales</b>		
<b>Organisation</b>	Welsh Government – Economy, Science and Transport Dept.		
<b>Synopsis</b>	<p>The operation will support micro businesses and SMEs in Wales to grow and prosper. The Welsh Government in collaboration with its partners in the public, private and third sector will deliver a comprehensive and tailored information and support package to enable job creation, wealth and business growth in Wales.</p>		
<b>Programme</b>	ERDF		
<b>Specific Objective</b>	<p>S.O. (2.4)</p> <p>To increase the growth of those SMEs with growth potential, in particular through accessing new markets (both domestic and international).</p>		
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	SMEs		
<b>Geographical area</b>	Pan Wales		
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys and East Wales.		
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	<p>Fiona Hay</p> <p>Fiona.Hay@wales.gsi.gov.uk</p>		
<b>Total Operation Cost at approval</b>	West Wales and the Valleys: £33m	<b>Total ERDF at approval</b>	West Wales and the Valleys: £19.8m
	East Wales: £11m		East Wales: £6.6m

## ERDF – Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency

<b>Title</b>	Deep Green 1.5MW Holyhead Deep			
<b>Potential backbone operation</b>	Yes			
<b>Organisation</b>	Minesto AB			
<b>Synopsis</b>	The establishment of the Minesto UK HQ in Anglesey, Wales, and the development of a 1.5MW Deep Green low velocity tidal energy array in Holyhead Deep, off the coast of Holyhead, Anglesey, Wales.			
<b>Programme</b>	ERDF			
<b>Specific Objective</b>	3.1 To increase the number of renewable energy devices being tested in Welsh waters and off the Welsh coast, including multi-device array deployments, thereby establishing Wales as a centre for marine energy production			
<b>Group(s) targeted</b>	The Marine Energy Sector			
<b>Geographical area</b>	Tidal array in Holyhead Deep off the coast of Anglesey, North Wales, Minesto UK HQ based in Anglesey. Potential grid connection point in Llaingoch substation (53.309761°N, -4.650777°E) close to Holyhead.			
<b>Region</b>	West Wales and the Valleys			
<b>WEFO team contact (inbox)</b>	Bethan.owen@wales.gsi.gov.uk			
<b>Estimated total operation cost</b>	Up to £4,999,999	£5,000,000 to £24,999,999	£25,000,000 to £39,999,999	£40,000,000 +
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