

Survey on European Structural and Investment Funds

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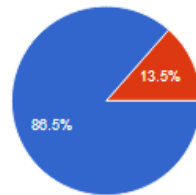
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Jaco de Graaf, Leiden University Medical Centre,
The Netherlands

ESIF survey, some facts

- 37 respondents of total 91 BESTPRAC participants(41%)
- 21 countries

What type of institute do you represent?



University	32	86.5%
Non-profit research organisation	5	13.5%
profit research organisation	0	0%
other	0	0%

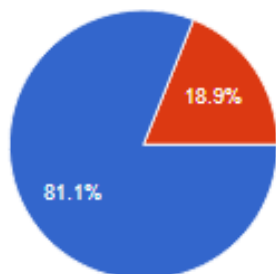
Number of daily responses





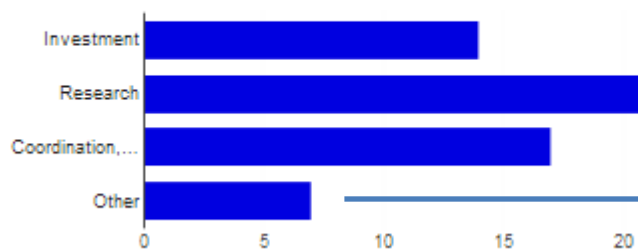
Belgium	3
Bulgaria	1
Croatia	3
Estonia	1
Finland	2
france	1
Hungary	1
Iceland	1
Latvia	1
Lithuania	2
Malta	1
Norway	1
Poland	6
Portugal	1
Romania	1
Slovakia	1
SLOVENIA	3
Spain	3
Switzerland	2
The Netherlands	1
Turkey	1
Eindtotaal	37

Has your institution participated in projects financed by EU Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF)?



Yes(If yes, please proceed to the next questions) **30** 81.1%
No(If no, you're done !) **7** 18.9%

What type of ESIF projects have you implemented?

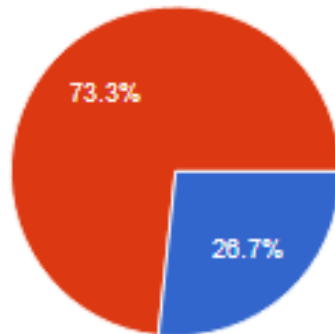


If other, please specify:

- Education
- lifelong learning
- Study
- training
- Interreg

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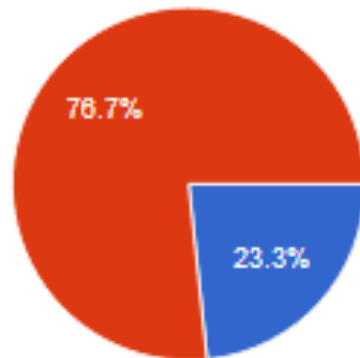
... Lack of adequate design of project calls?



Yes	8	26.7%
No	22	73.3%

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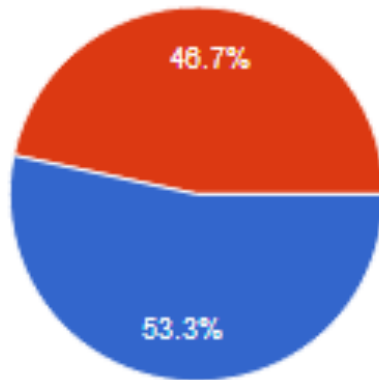
... Lack of guidance in the pre-award phase?



Yes	7	23.3%
No	23	76.7%

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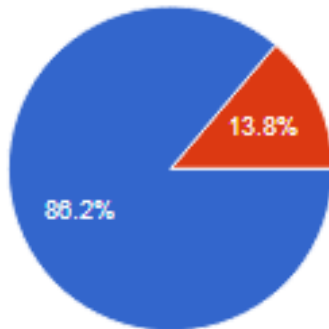
... Inefficient administration?



Yes	16	53.3%
No	14	46.7%

What are the main obstacles for participation in ESIF project calls in your country related to the general governance of the ESIF?

... Complex and bureaucratic application and project implementation procedures?

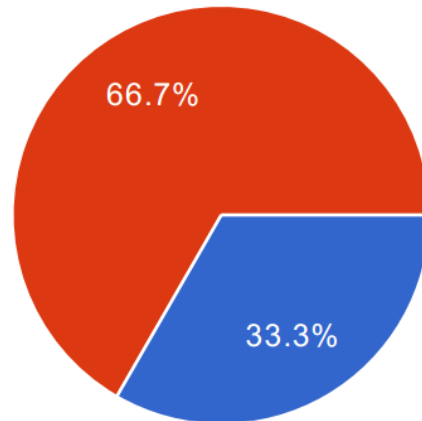


Yes	25	86.2%
No	4	13.8%



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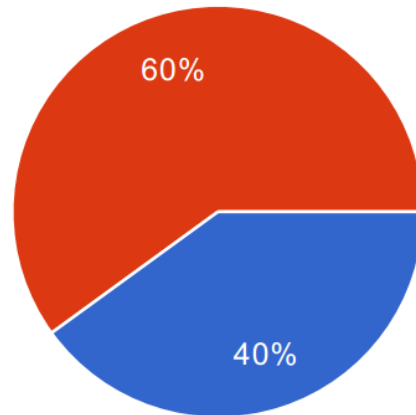
... Lack of guidance during project implementation procedures?



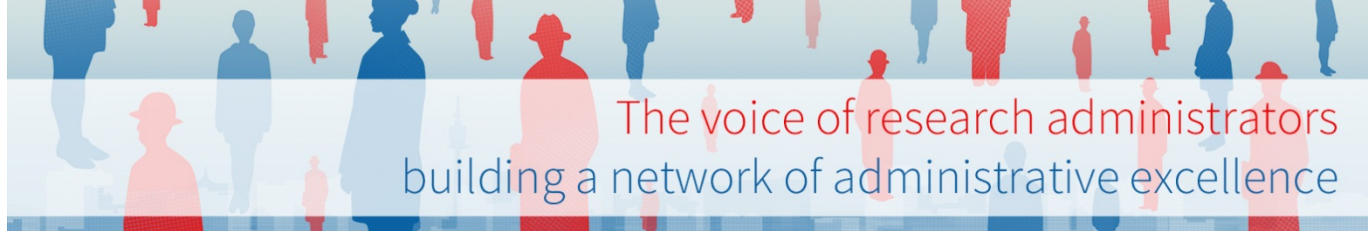
Yes	10	33.3%
No	20	66.7%

What are the main obstacles for participation in ESIF project calls in your country related to the general governance of the ESIF?

... Unreliable proposal evaluation procedures (i.e. lack of transparency, mistrust in evaluators, political influence)?

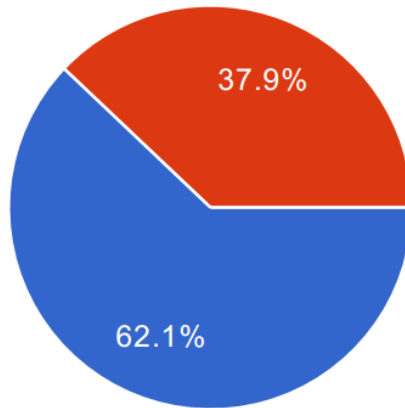


Yes	12	40%
No	18	60%



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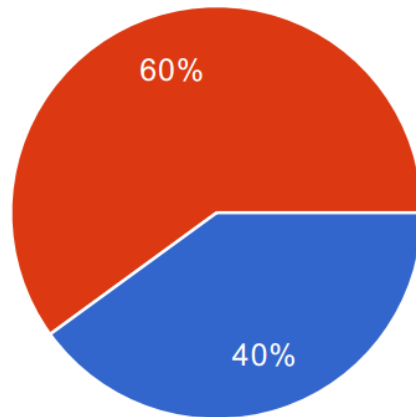
... Delayed implementation of ESIF funding instruments?



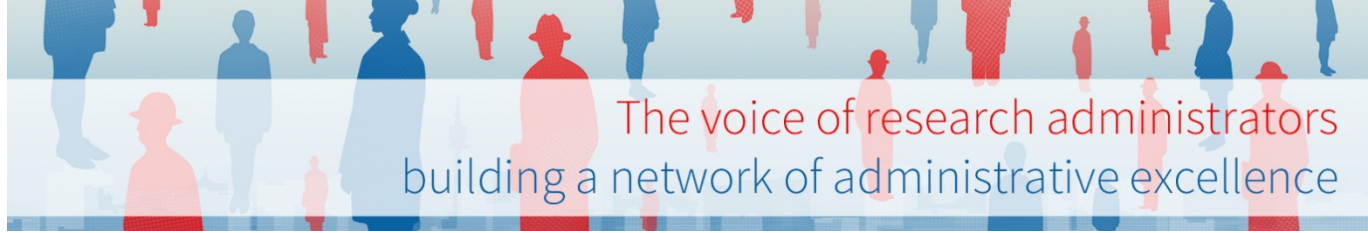
Yes	18	62.1%
No	11	37.9%

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... Lack of clarity of application rules and eligibility criteria?



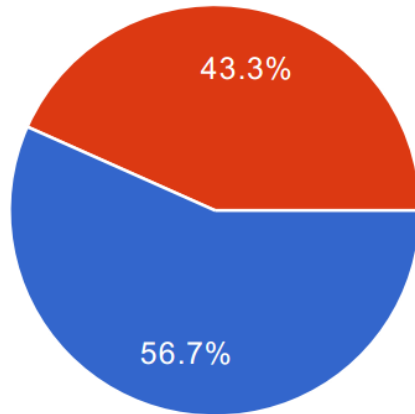
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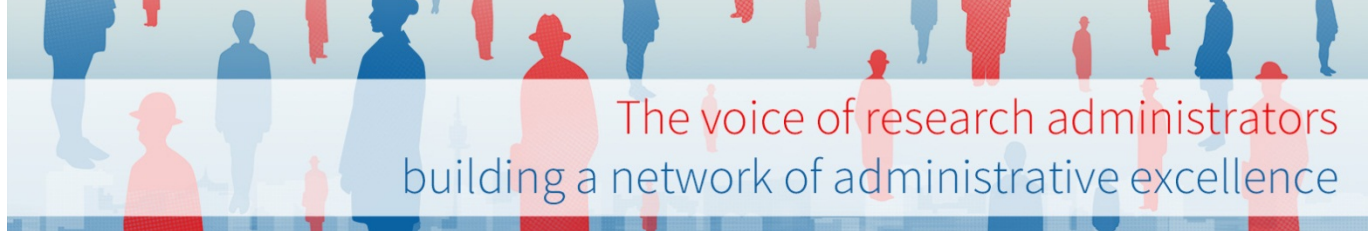
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What are the main obstacles for participation in ESIF project calls in your country related to the general governance of the ESIF?

... Frequently changing rules and regulations?



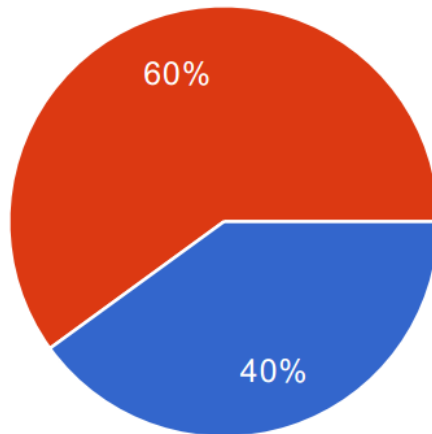
Yes	17	56.7%
No	13	43.3%



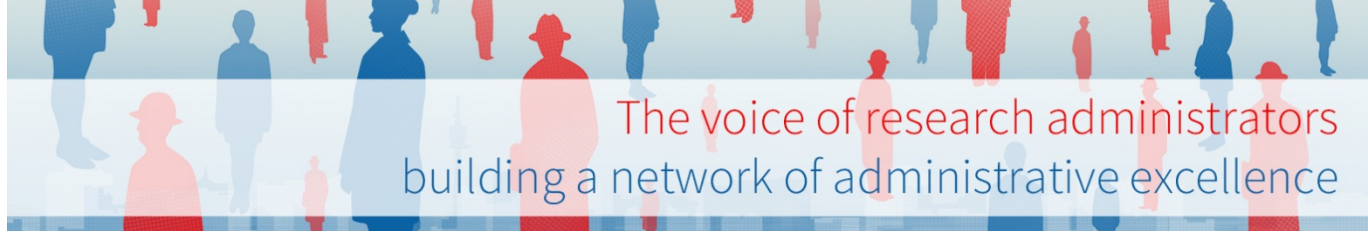
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... Inappropriate timing for call openings/ deadlines?

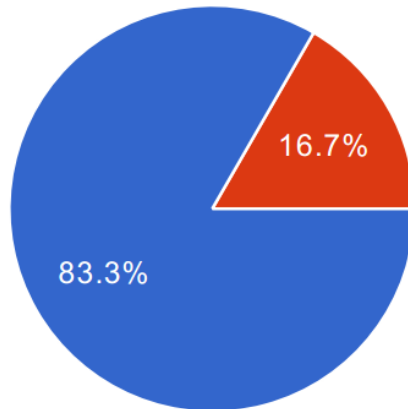


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What are the main obstacles encountered for participation in ESIF project calls in your country at the project implementation stage?

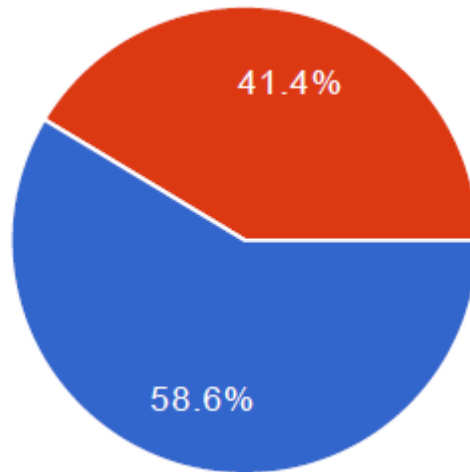
... High administrative workload?



Yes	25	83.3%
No	5	16.7%

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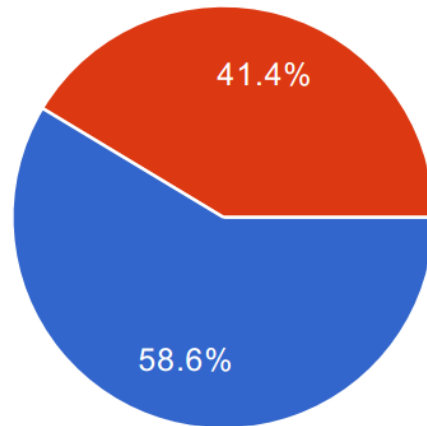
... Eligibility of costs?



Yes	17	58.6%
No	12	41.4%

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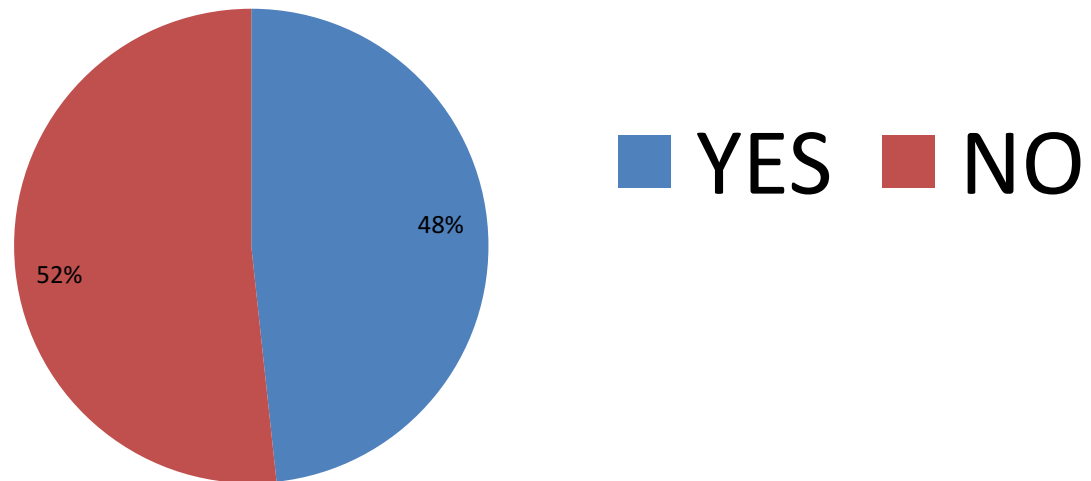
... Complicated procedures for construction and/ or equipment purchase?



Yes	17	58.6%
No	12	41.4%

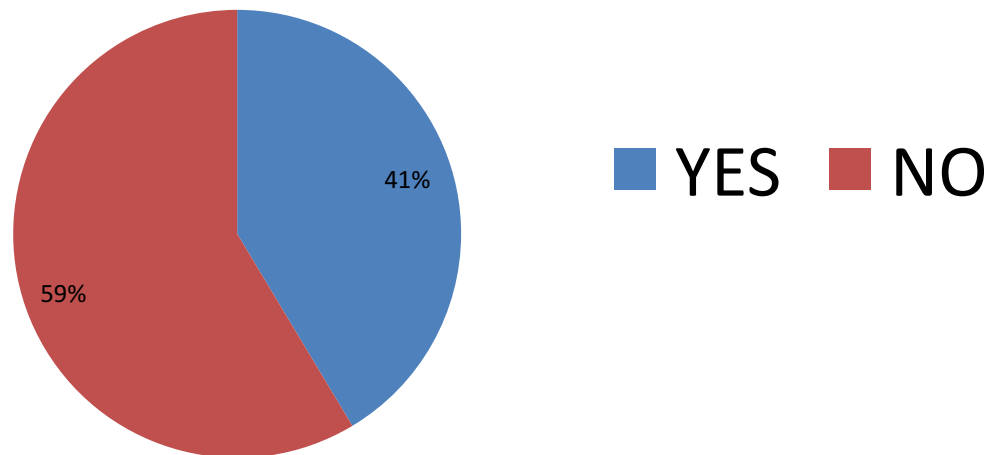
What are the **main obstacles** encountered for participation in ESIF project calls in your country **at the project implementation stage**?

DELAY OF PAYMENTS



What are the **main obstacles** encountered for participation in ESIF project calls in your country **at the project implementation stage?**

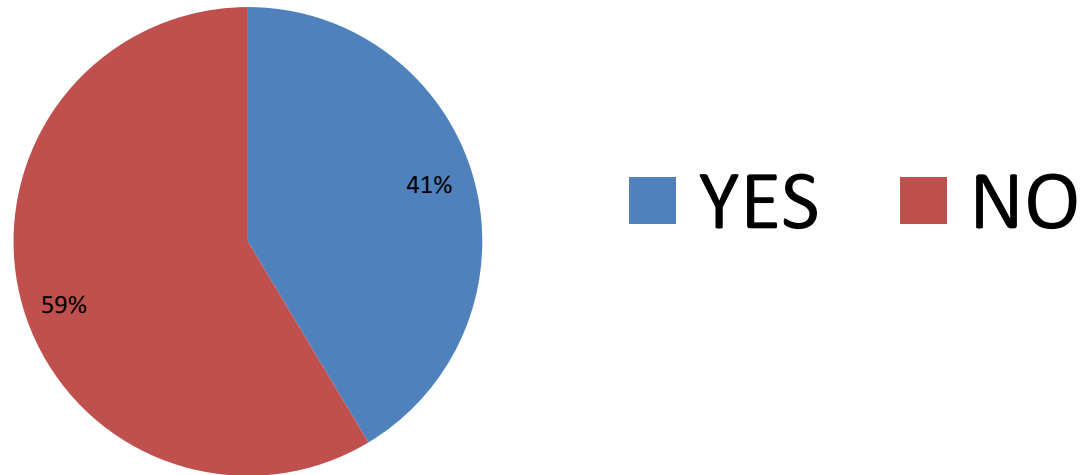
FREQUENT CHANGES IN LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS

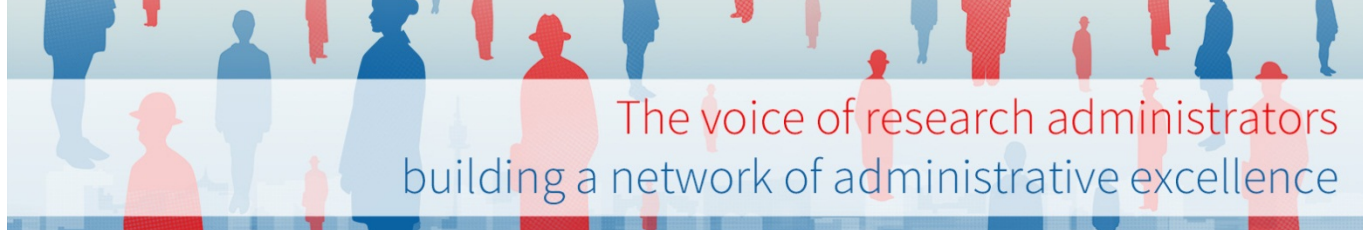




What are the **main obstacles** encountered for participation in ESIF project calls in your country **at the project implementation stage?**

STATE AID ISSUES?





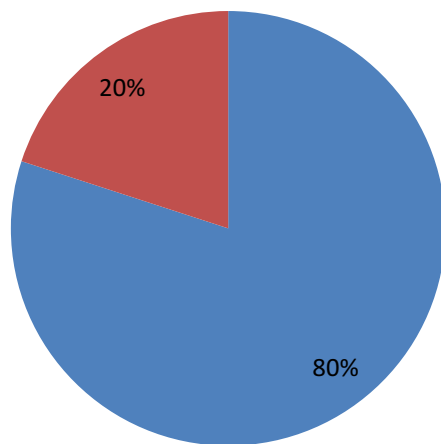
DO YOU SEE A CHANCE to design actions financed under ESIF that would be in synergy with H2020?

YES

80% (24)

NO

20% (6)



■ YES
■ NO

ESTONIA

SWITZERLAND

THE NETHERLAND

SLOVENIA

POLAND (2)

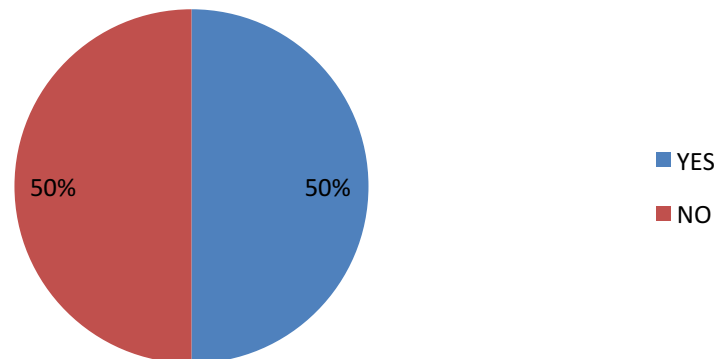
WHY NOT?

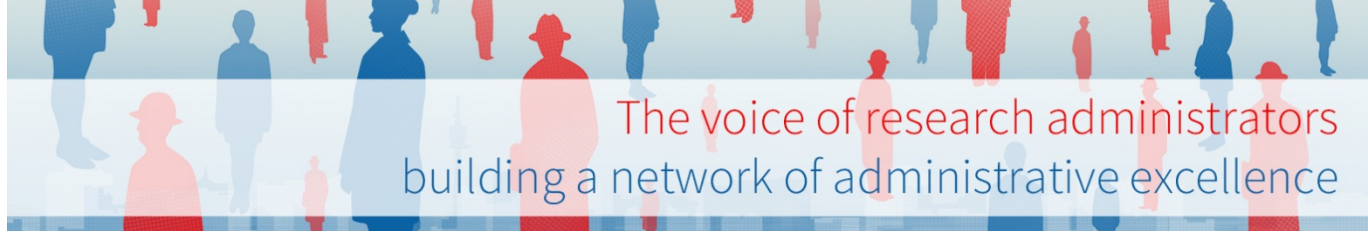
insufficient information

about the possibilities of synergies implementation under the investment plans and operational measures

YES 3

NO 3





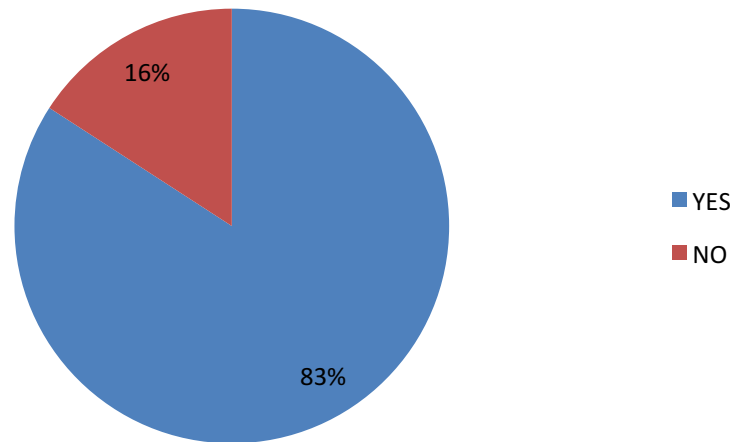
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WHY NOT?

lack of national actions complementary to H2020

YES 5

NO 1

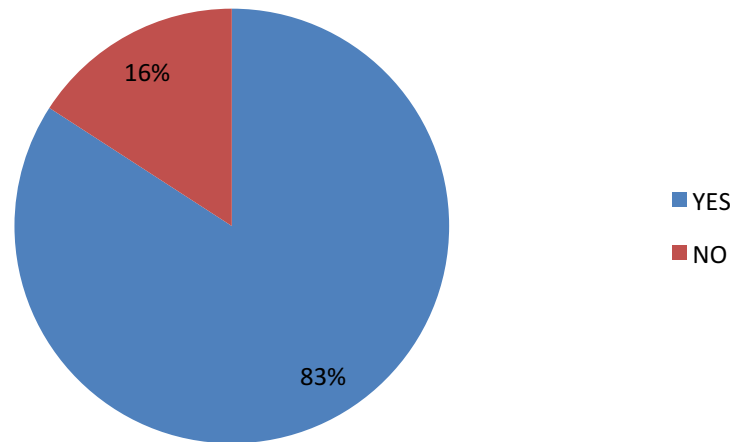


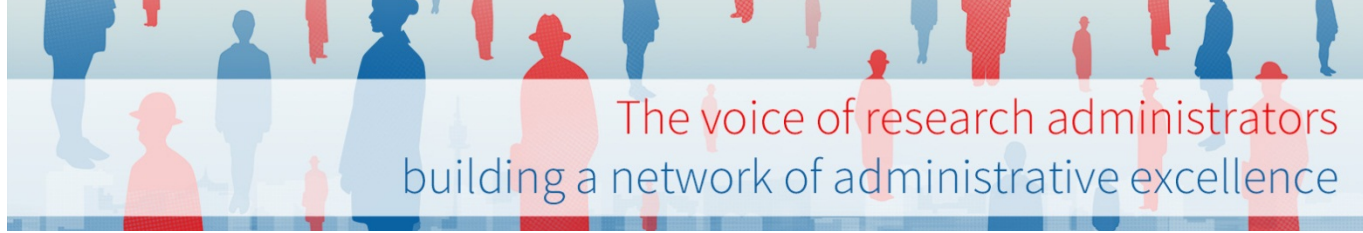
WHY NOT?

lack of transparency in the financial rules
leading to inability to avoid overlaps with other instruments

YES 5

NO 1



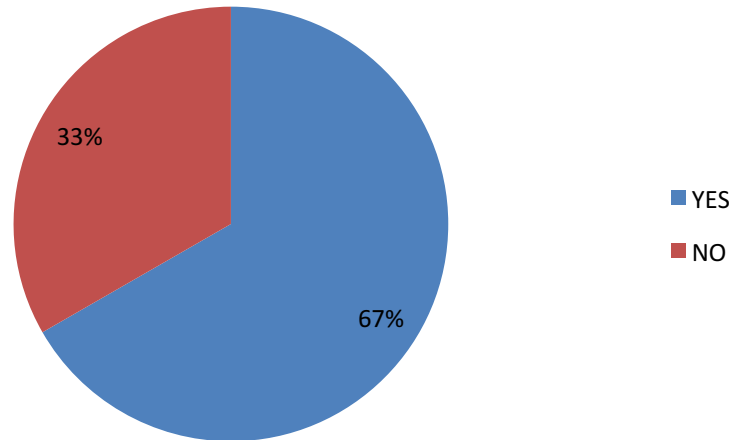


WHY NOT?

fear that auditors will not be able to distinguish clearly what was funded under ESIF and what was funded under H2020

YES 4

NO 2



Conclusions

- Bureaucratic procedures
- High administrative workload
- Frequently changing rules
- Delayed implementation and inappropriate timing
- Rules are not harmonized
- Unclear criteria for eligibility of costs
- Uncertainty of eligibility