



Technical Support Instrument (TSI)

Structuring and operating the Broadband Competence Office

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TSI at a glance

- The Technical Support Instrument (TSI) is the EU programme that provides **tailor-made technical expertise** to EU Member States to **design and implement reforms**
- The **support is demand driven** and **does not require co-financing** from Member States
- Since 2017 – technical expertise has been provided to help design and implement more than **1400 reform projects***
- It is an **important pillar of the Next GenerationEU recovery and resilience plan** - to help Member States **mitigate the economic and social consequences** of the outbreak of the **COVID-19 crisis**

* Includes SRSP and TSI projects

The Technical Support Instrument at a glance

Key features of the programme

Starts with a request for support from an EU Member State

Strengthens the capacity of an EU Member State to **carry out reforms**

Is **tailor-made** to address the country's needs

Provides a **unique combination of expertise** from the European Commission, EU Member States' national administrations, international organisations and/or the private sector

Requires **no co-financing** from Member States

Key figures of the programme

€864 million of budget for the period 2021-2027¹

27 Member States involved

Wide-range of reform areas of technical support

Covers any stage of reform (design, implementation, evaluation)

REFORM SUPPORT IN Cyprus

COMPLETED AND ONGOING REFORM PROJECTS IN CYPRUS



76

Projects

Cyprus has so far benefitted from 76 projects financed by the Technical Support Instrument or by its predecessor, the Structural Reform Support Programme.



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Policy areas

The support addressed a broad range of policy areas, including public administration, better regulation, public spending, financial literacy, healthcare and education. A particular focus has been on digitalisation in both private and public sectors.



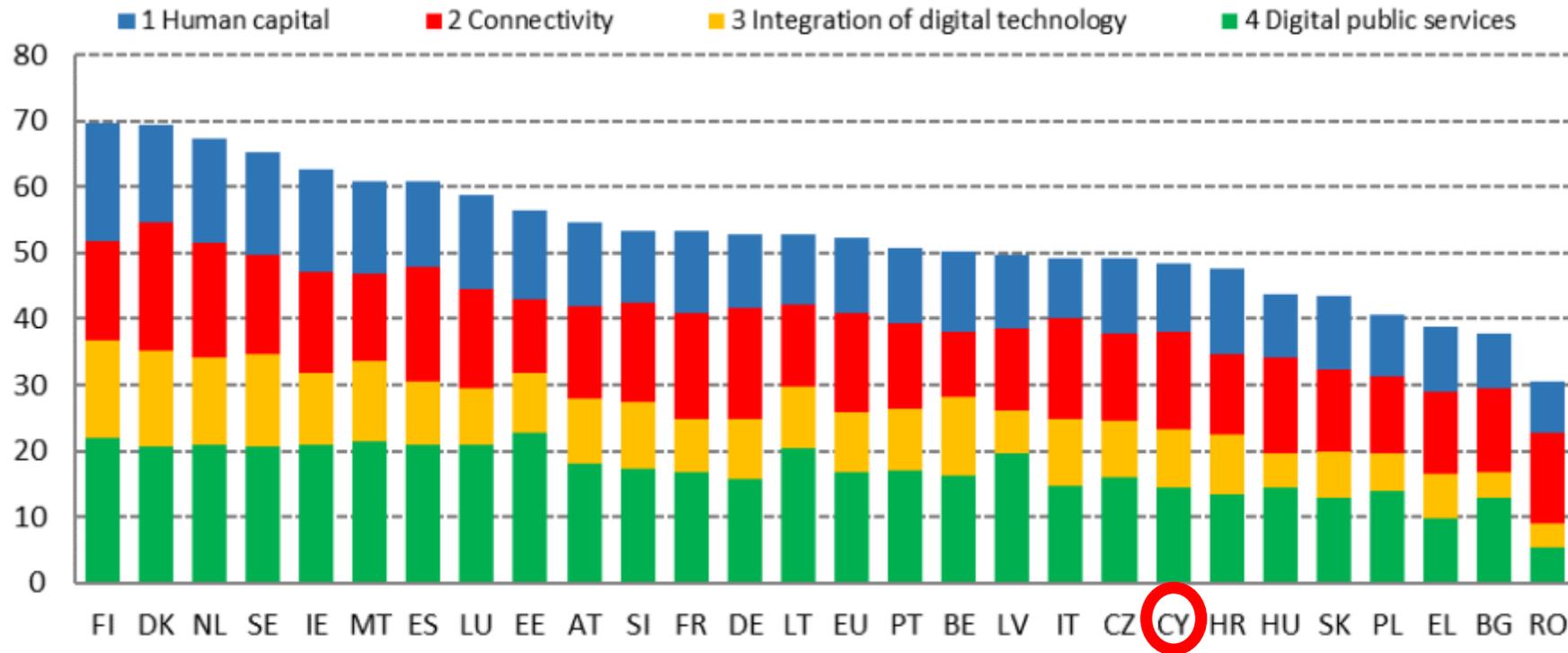
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Multi-country

13 of the projects were part of a multinational effort to support reforms benefitting several Member States.

DESI 2022: Cyprus position compared to other EU MS

Figure 9 Digital Economy and Society Index, 2022



Source: DESI 2022, European Commission

The project: Structuring and operating the Broadband Competence Office

- **Aim:**

- To develop a well-structured and properly equipped, in terms of capacity, BCO in Cyprus.
- To create the appropriate conditions for the successful implementation of the projects.

- **2 components**

1) Structuring the BCO in Cyprus

2) Support for RRF Broadband Projects

- Investment 1: Expansion of Very High-Capacity Networks in underserved areas
- Investment 2: Enhance building cabling to be “Gigabit-ready” and promote connectivity take-up



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