

Policy Instrument for All service areas:

Policy Instrument	Description	Relevant PI Indicator	Funding available
Regional Operational Plan priority Theme 2: Promotion of a digital society; Priority 2.2 Provision of support services to facilitate development of digital economy & society	The objective of the Policy Instrument (PI) is to ensure that the region's citizens and businesses benefit fully from access to innovative, open, inter-connected and compatible eservices and which will be designed to be accessible using the range of evolving devices and which together will constitute a package of replicable and reusable services for the region and improve ICT applications for e-governance, ewaste management, e-learning, eintegration, eulture and e-health.	Number of projects to develop new/improved e-services	€130M
Centre County Digital Action Strategy	The main goals of this instrument are: 1. Digitally skilled citizens and communities co-creating services with the business and public sectors ( 2. An expanded digital cluster, home to local start ups, a digital accelerator; local and relocated/ subsidiary businesses 3. A functioning, visible and Centre County digital research and innovation environment 4.	Number of citizens with enhanced (digital) vocational skills; Number of local clusters or hubs contributing to county digital research environment New digital services	€8M (maximum support of €500000 or 50% of total project budget

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<p>EARDF: Priority 6: Promote social inclusion, poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas</p>	<p>Support for the emergence of territorial economic cooperation hubs (multi-stakeholder)</p>	<p>Hubs need to be managed by multi-stakeholder ownership/management structures</p>	<p>€2M (max 80%)</p>
<p>National government administered ERDF: Strategic Interventions for SME Competitiveness in circular and digital transformation</p>	<p>Designed to address perceived gaps in public authorities to identify and support and SME'S ability to deliver circular processes and products</p>	<p>Indicators identified at local level</p>	<p>£400m from the European Regional Development Fund (15-20% for the region)</p>

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<p>Town and village council scheme (throughout Centre County) to renovate buildings of architectural value for 'innovative' actions that bring economic and social value</p>	<p>Designed to bring together social and economic actors to develop redundant community built resources</p>	<p>€1.2M: mix of county and town/village council depending (max support of €125000 or 50% of total project budget. Must include private capital 20% min Projects scored on social and economic impacts with equal weighting</p>	
<p><b>Leader: 3.24 Priorities Supporting the shift towards a low carbon economy – Supporting community energy schemes</b></p> <p><b>• Social Inclusion:</b> – supporting access to services</p>	<p><b>Local Priorities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enabling the development of innovative and sustainable approaches to addressing the continuing decline in rural services,</li> <li>• Better access to health and welfare advice and support locally, which in turn leads to less reliance on centralised health services and a net reduction of associated costs.</li> </ul>	<p>Number of projects</p> <p><i>Note: Centre County includes two LAG's which both have these priorities; assume that your project falls in one of these two LAG areas</i></p>	<p>Max support €40000</p>