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From:	Presidency
To:	Working Party on Structural Measures
Subject:	ESF+ Regulation: Debrief by the Presidency of the trilogue on 28 January 2021

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In view of the Structural Measures Working Party on 29 January 2021, delegations will find attached a working paper concerning the debrief by the Presidency of the trilogue on 28 January 2021 on the ESF+ Regulation, with the final outcome on thematic concentration.

**ESF+ THEMATIC CONCENTRATION: FINAL DEAL ON THE TRILOGUE ON 28/1/2021**

	Original proposals/positions			ESF+ trilogue 28/1/2021		
	Commission proposal (as amended in 2020)	EP position	Council Position (Initial)	FINAL DEAL	EP gets	Council gets
<i>Child poverty</i> (II-7A New)  (II-29)	5% (allocation for all MS)	5% (allocation for all MS)	-	<b>5% for MS most concerned (above AROPE EU 2017-19 average)</b>  <b>MS are obliged to allocate an appropriate amount to the implementation of the Child Guarantee</b>	5% allocation for those MS most concerned	No fixed % for all MS.  MS less concerned decide the appropriate amount.
		Article 10a on Child guarantee		<b>Article 10a on Child guarantee is removed</b>		Article 10a removed
<i>Social inclusion</i> (II-7)	25%	27%	25%	<b>25%</b>		25%
<i>Material deprivation</i>  (II-9) (II-25)	2% (Within % on social inclusion)	3% (on top of social inclusion)	2% (Within % on social inclusion)	<b>3%(on top of social inclusion)</b>	3% (on top of social inclusion)	
		At least 85% of co- financing rate	Maximum of 85% of co-financing rate	<b>Fixed 90% co-financing rate</b>	Fixed 90% co- financing rate	Easier to comply with 3%
<i>Youth unemployment</i> (II-11) (II-12) (II-13) (II-14)	15% for those with NEET rate above EU average (2019 data)	15% for those with NEET rate above EU average (latest annual available data)	10% for those with NEET rate above EU average (latest annual available data)	<b>12,5% allocation for MS above 3- year NEET average (2017-19)</b>	Middle-ground between positions of co- legislators (EP: 15% and CONS: 10%)	
	No minimum allocation for MS	3% fixed rate for all MS	No minimum allocation for MS	<b>MS are obliged to allocate an appropriate amount to the implementation of the Youth Guarantee</b>	Obligatory allocation/amount	No fixed % for all MS. MS decide the appropriate amount.
<i>Social partners</i> (II-23)	Obligation to allocate an appropriate amount, no fixed %	At least 2%	Where relevant, no fixed %	<b>Obligation to allocate an appropriate amount. Only in case of link to CSRs: at least 0,25%</b>	Obligatory allocation/amount	No fixed % for all MS. MS decide the appropriate amount unless link with CSRs.