

WHAT IS REACT-EU?

The REACT-EU initiative was introduced into EU legislation as part of the [European strategy to combat the COVID-19 emergency](#) in order to allocate additional resources from the 2021-2027 EU budget to 2014-2020 cohesion policy. This took place in 2021 and 2022 with the aim of overcoming of the negative impact of the health crisis on the economy, employment, and the social systems in the regions affected by the COVID-19 pandemic while, at the same time, fostering a resilient green and digital transition of both the economy and society.

In particular, REACT-EU makes use of €50.6 billion in EU funding at current prices (€47.5 billion in 2018 prices), which is allocated to member states on the basis of the allocation method specified in Regulation (EU) No. 2020/2221. Italy has a total of €14.4 billion at current prices, of which the tranche for 2021 amounts to €11.4 billion, while the tranche for 2022 is €3.1 billion.

European resources are complemented by national co-financing of €186.4 million for technical assistance alone. In 2021 and 2022, Italy sent the Commission two REACT-EU resource programming documents.

The 2014-2020 European programmes affected by an increase in resources as a result of the REACT-EU appropriations are: NOP Governance and Administrative Capacity; NOP Business Competitiveness; NOP Metropolitan Cities, NOP for Education, NOP Research, NOP Active Policies and Employment Systems; NOP Infrastructure and Networks; and NOP Inclusion and FEAD Programme.