



## JASPERS Networking Platform

### JASPERS - EPEC Seminar on blending ESIF grants and PPPs

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>11 May 2016</b>
<b><u>Location:</u></b>	<b>EIB Brussels Office</b> Rond-Point Robert Schuman, 6 B-1040 BRUSSELS

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#### Description of the Event

This seminar will provide an introduction to Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) concepts and rationale, and will then focus on the implications and possibilities afforded by the new Regulations for blending European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) with other public funding and private financing in a PPP structure.

It will also provide the opportunity to present and discuss a guidance document on blending ESIF grants with PPPs in the 2014-2020 programming period, recently published by EPEC (available at <http://www.eib.org/epec/resources/blending-ue-structural-investment-fund-ppp>).

The target group of the event are representatives from managing authorities, line ministries and beneficiaries that are or will be responsible for the preparation of projects and programmes in the 2014-2020 programming period.

The seminar is organised by the JASPERS Networking and Competence Centre in close cooperation with DG REGIO and EPEC, whose representatives will actively participate in the event and planned Q&A sessions. In each session enough time will be allocated for Q&A and exchange of practical experience.

Participants are encouraged to prepare questions on the topics that will be addressed in the seminar, and send them in advance to [jaspersnetwork@eib.org](mailto:jaspersnetwork@eib.org), as a proposal for discussion during the Q&A sessions and panel discussion planned in the agenda.

## Tentative Agenda

- 10.00**      **Opening of registrations and welcome coffee**
- 10.30**      **Welcome and opening of the meeting**  
*JASPERS, REGIO*
- 10.45**      **Available advisory support from JASPERS and role of EPEC**  
*JASPERS, EPEC*
- 11.15**      **PPPs – An introduction to the PPP concept and its rationale**  
*JASPERS, EPEC*
- Q&A and discussion
- 12.45**      Lunch break
- 13.45**      **How to blend ESIF grants and PPPs in the 2014-2020 Programming Period – available options and a worked example**  
*EPEC*
- Q&A and discussion
- 15.15**      **Blending approaches and possible implementation issues -**  
discussion on questions received from Member States, emerging issues  
and possible follow up activities  
*Panel discussion, chaired by JASPERS*
- 16.00**      Wrap up and closing