

# The Roles of Universities in the Future Cohesion Policy and ERDF

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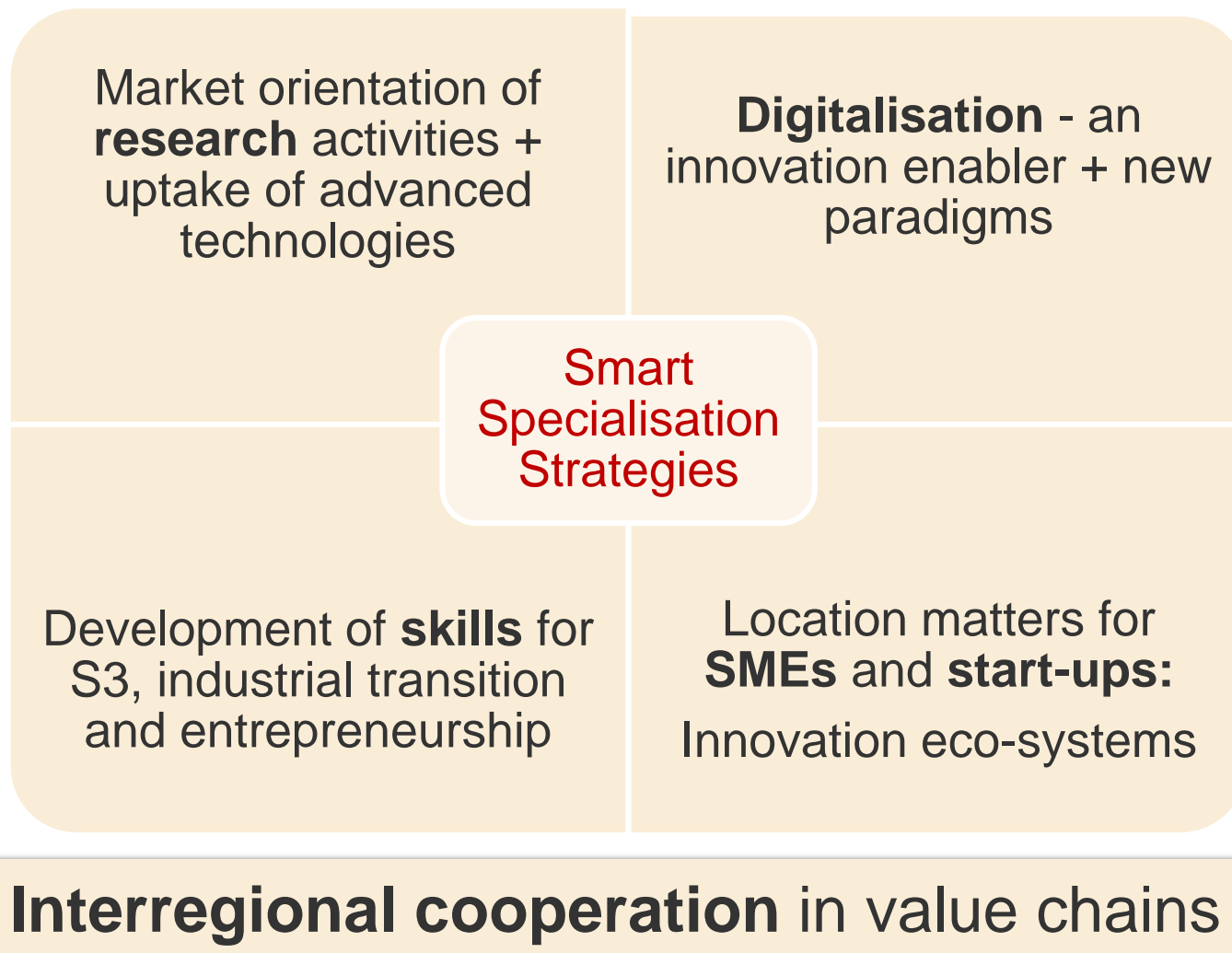
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# Policy objectives of future Cohesion Policy Funds

1. A smarter Europe (innovative & smart economic transformation)
2. A greener, low-carbon Europe (including energy transition, the circular economy, climate adaptation and risk management)
3. A more connected Europe (mobility and ICT connectivity)
4. A more social Europe (the European Pillar of Social Rights)
5. A Europe closer to citizens (sustainable development of urban, rural and coastal areas and local initiatives)

Horizontal issues: administrative capacity building, cooperation outside the programme area

# A smarter Europe by promoting innovative and smart economic transformation

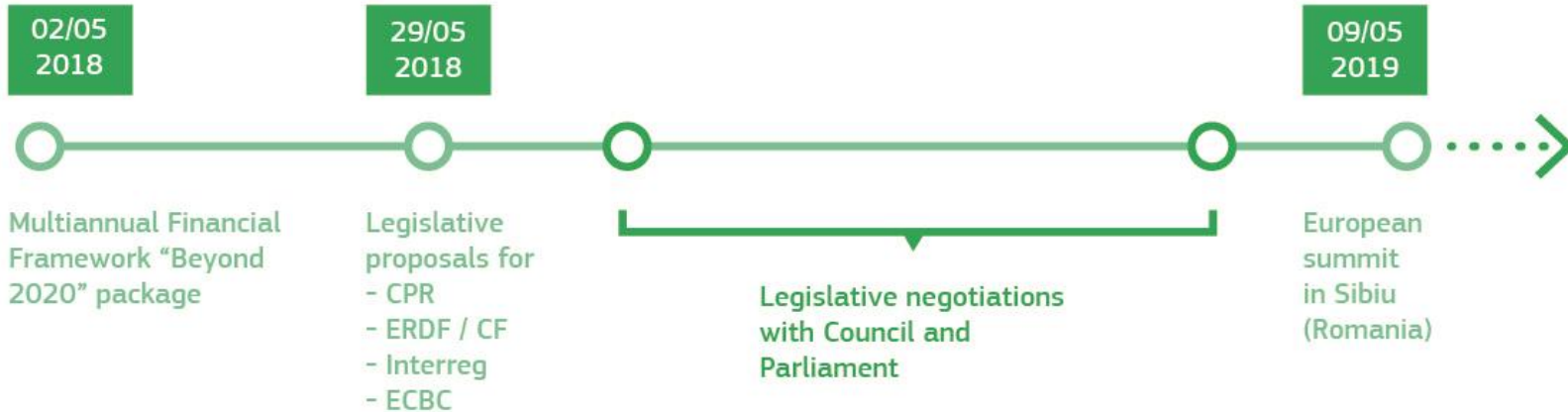


See Article 2(1)ERDF & CF Regulation: "Specific objectives"

# Other Smart Growth related EU Programmes

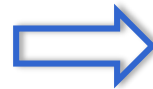
- **Horizon Europe** focus on European research and innovation excellence, the generation and exploitation of new knowledge and disruptive, market-creating innovations (€100 bn)
- **InvestEU**: market-based instruments, for strategic investments (€38bn (incl. €23 for R&I and SMEs) mobilising €650bn (incl. €415 for R&I, digitisation and SMEs)
- **Digital Europe**: digital transformation via AI, cyber-security, high performance computing, advanced digital skills, interoperability, deployment of digital solutions (€9.2 bn)
- **ESF+**: inclusion, education and skills to adapt to the current and future needs of the economy, health, labour mobility and social innovation (€100 bn)
- **Erasmus+**: learning mobility of individuals and cooperation, for education and training, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations (€30bn)
- **Reform Support Programme**: institutional reform and efficient and service-oriented functioning of public administration and e-government (€25 bn)
- **LIFE programme**: demonstrating techniques and best practice in Circular Economy, quality of life, climate mitigation and adaptation; and Clean Energy Transition (€5.4bn)
- **Creative Europe**: creative and audiovisual industry, promote cultural diversity and heritage, support culture-based creativity in education and innovation (€1.8 bn)
- **Single Market Programme** business environment, entrepreneurship, support the modernisation of industry, SME access to markets and finance, (€6 bn)
- **Space Programme** (Copernicus, Galileo, EGNOS) (€16 bn)
- **Defence Fund**: EU defence industry (€13bn, incl. €4.1 from Horizon Europe)

# Timeline



## Strategic planning process:

**2019-2020:**  
**S3 Entrepreneurial Discovery Process**  
(possibly linked to monitoring of existing S3)



**European Semester**  
**Country Specific Recommendations 2019**



**Partnership Agreements**



**Programmes (2020)**  
**&**  
**Smart Specialisation Strategies "2.0"**



**Selection criteria**

## Questions and Answers

