

How EU funding can be used to support Social Innovation in Italian Social Housing Delivery and Management

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Background and purpose

The European Union has recognised the need for an annual increase in investment of approximately €57 billion in adequate, affordable, energy efficient housing to close the supply gap. With the right partnerships and knowledge on the ground, The Juncker Investment Fund, ESF and ERDF and the forthcoming InvestEU programme can be utilised to achieve this.

Housing Europe's Italian members which represent Italian Public, Cooperative, and Private Social Housing providers have joined together in a new platform at national level to help boost investment to meet the growing need for the delivery and renovation of housing which vary greatly throughout the country.

The ambition of the Italian Platform is to scale up, with the support of European Resources, the delivery of a new generation of Social Housing projects in Italy, already piloted by the different providers. The main features of these new projects are: assurance of social mix through what is termed 'social management', community outreach & engagement, integration of housing and social services, adaptation to changing needs (co-living, foyer, co-housing for the elderly), optimization of the construction process and site management, an urban project that must offer new public spaces and services to the local neighborhood.



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The partners of the new platform include several players covering the entire housing sector. (Federcasa, The Public Federation of Housing Providers, Alleanza delle Cooperative Italiane di Abitazione, Fondazione Housing Sociale, Compagnia San Paolo, Fondazione Sviluppo e Crescita).

- 9:00 – 9:15** Welcome coffee
- 9:15 – 9:20** Welcome remarks, **Rossana Zaccaria**, Coordinator, Alleanza delle Cooperative Italiane Housing Sector
- 9:20 – 9:40** MEP **Simona Bonafè**, Long Term Investment and Invest-EU
- 9:40 – 9:50** Introduction, **Luca Talluri**, President Federcasa
- 09:50 – 10:10** Introductory remarks on EU developments around Housing Policy and Finance, Overview of Structural Funds, past and future & examples of Blending of EU funds in social, environmental & financial innovation in the EU by moderator, **Julien Dijol**, Policy Director, Housing Europe
- 10:10 – 10:20** **Giordana Ferri**, Fondazione Housing Sociale, Presentation of the Italian Housing Platform
- 10:20– 11:15** Overview of New EU tools which support social innovation in housing moderated by **Roberto Randazzo**, Extended Faculty School of Management Politecnico di Milano
- Wolfgang Münch**, Deputy Head of Unit: REGIO G4 Italy and Malta, Updates on relevant points on the use of EU funds in Italy
- Filippo Munisteri**, Economic analyst - Team Leader for Social Investment, DG for Economic and Financial Affairs – ECFIN, Update on InvestEU and the social window
- 11:15 – 11:30** **Coffee break**
- 11:30 – 12:45** Panel Discussion with Examples from other Member States & Sectors & discussion chaired by **Rossana Zaccaria**, Alleanza delle Cooperative Italiane Housing Coordinator
- Carine Puyol**, French Social Housing Federation l'USH, New French Housing Finance Platform with CEB, EIB, CdD
- Bjorn Mallants/James Thorogood**, Flemish Social Housing Federation, VVH, Innovations in Flemish Housing Finance supported by the EIB Elena scheme
- Natalia Rogazewcska**, Danish Social Housing Federation, BL, EIB support for Danish housing via the Elena scheme
- Antonella Bonaduce**, expert in Social Inclusion, Managing Authority NOP Metropolitan Cities, Strategies & tools to support social housing in NOP Metropolitan Cities 2014-2020
- Potential for EU funding to support innovation in the Care and Health Sectors, Comments from **Thomas Bignal**, Policy Officer EASPD & **Vania Puttati**, Policy Officer Eurhohealthnet
- 12.45- 13.00** Conclusion and next steps, **Sorcha Edwards**, Secretary General, Housing Europe
- 13:00 – 13:30** Sandwich lunch served on the premises



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