

# The Stairway to excellence (S2E)

**Boosting regional growth through innovation** 





## Invitalia at a glance...



INVITALIA

... finances

**projects** both large and small

The national Agency for inward investment promotion and enterprise development SpA

... provides services to

Public Administration to
speed up the spending of EU
and national funds, as well
as to promote innovation
and cultural heritage

... is the Purchasing Body and Contracting Authority for the execution of strategic actions at local level **Smart Specialisation Strategy** 

National level (#1)

Regional level (#21)



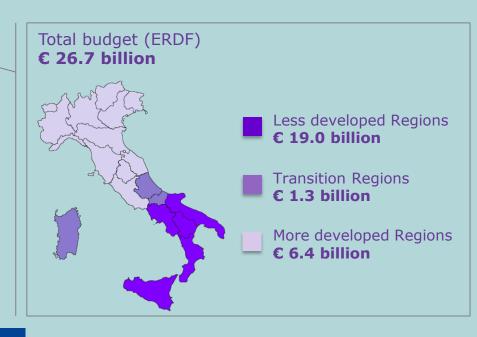
# **ESIF** funds: Italy's snapshot

❖ Total budget (2014-2020)
EUR 73.6 billion





- ❖ OP Enterprises and Competitiveness (ERDF)€ 2.3 billion
- ❖ OP Research and Innovation (ERDF/ESF)€ 1.29 billion





# **Strategies and synergies**

### RIS3

National and regional level

### Actors

(European, national and regional level, both public and private stakeholders)

### Programmes

- H2020
- National ERDF OP
- Regional ERDF OP

Lombardy Region Marche Region Piedmont Region

#### **OP Enterprises and Competitiveness**

 Call for proposal Horizon 2020 NOP Seal of Excellence projects to get the maximum score (without any further technical assessment)

## National Research Programme 2015 – 2020

#### **OP Research and Innovation**

 Axes and measures consistent with H2020 priorities (research infrastructures, Cluster, KET'S)



# Some key messages

- Implementation: "photo to movie"
- Strengthening cooperation between:
  - different policies and sources of funding
  - innovation actors and policies relevant for innovation
  - leading and lagging regions, both national and international
- Actions facilitating synergies
  - keeping the process as simple as possible, in order to work effectively
  - information on other programmes
  - evaluators briefed about explicit reference to synergies
  - cost models and project formats alignment