



Monitoring, Ex-ante and Ex-post Evaluations to Support Policy Development

Building the Future: Collaboration for Sustainable Transformative Innovation

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Policy context

Objectives of the Better Regulation Agenda

- EU Action Based on Evidence
- Making Simpler and Better EU Laws
- Involving stakeholders in the decision-making process

Societal / political needs

- Long-term historical trends (anticipation, foresight)
- Efficiency / effectiveness of policy choices / design
- Recent major economic and geo-political crises (i.e. COVID19, Russian invasion of Ukraine)

Territorial Intelligence

- Beyond the historical development related to regional policies
- Heterogeneity of both the “problem” and the “policy choices”
- Multi-dimensionality: Sector / territorial / policies interplay



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VIII. Methods, models and costs and benefits

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I. General principles of better regulation

- [TOOL #1. Principles, procedures & exceptions](#)
- [TOOL #2. The Regulatory Fitness Programme and the REFIT Platform](#)
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II. How to carry out an impact assessment

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- TOOL #19. [Identification / screening of impacts](#)
- TOOL #20. [Sectoral competitiveness](#)
- TOOL #21. [Research & innovation](#)
- TOOL #22. [The "SME test"](#)
- TOOL #23. [Competition](#)
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- TOOL #31. [Health impacts](#)
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- TOOL #34. [Developing countries](#)
- TOOL #35. [Resource efficiency](#)

Territorial Data Analysis and Modelling

RHOMOLO

Spatial Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) model

Ex-ante Macro-economic Impact Assessments

1. Funding Programmes

- NextGenerationEU - SWD(2020)98 final
- Multiannual Fin. Fram. - EIB, EMPL, REGIO, RTD

2. Regulatory Reforms

- GROW, FISMA, CNECT

3. Structural / Value Chain / Trade in Value Added (TiVA)

- ENER, TRADE, EMPL, S3

More comprehensive support along the entire policy cycle

Monitoring and Ex-post economic Impact Assessments

1. Funding programmes

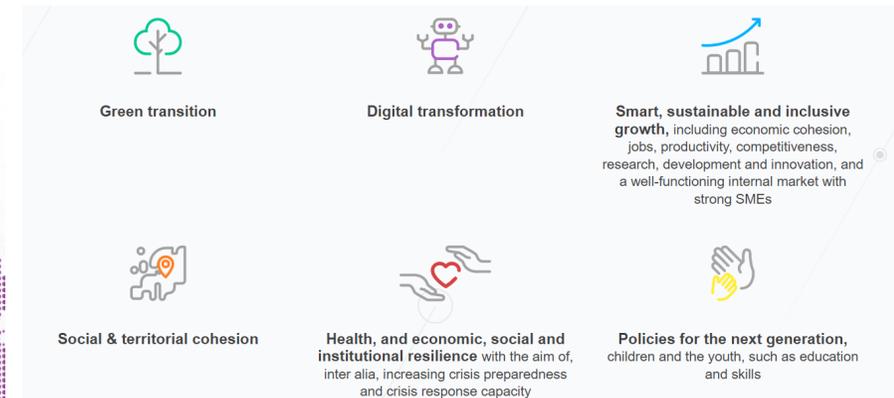
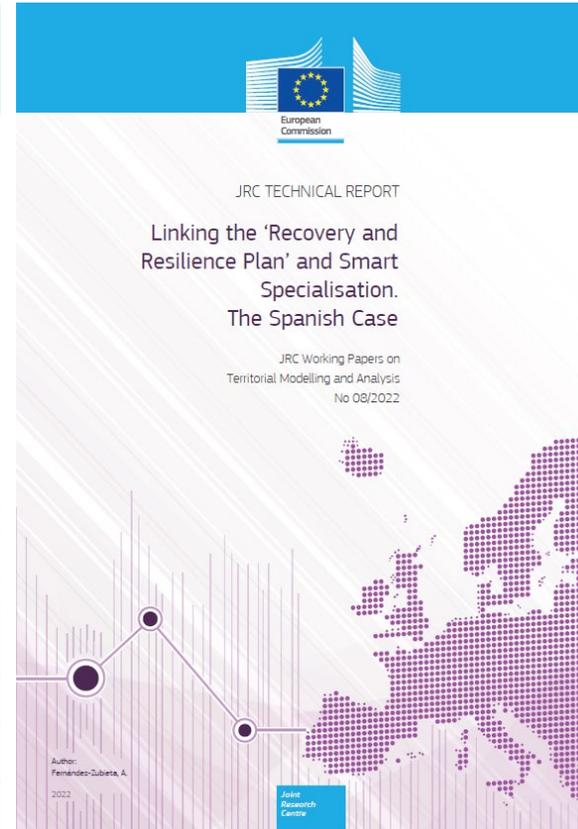
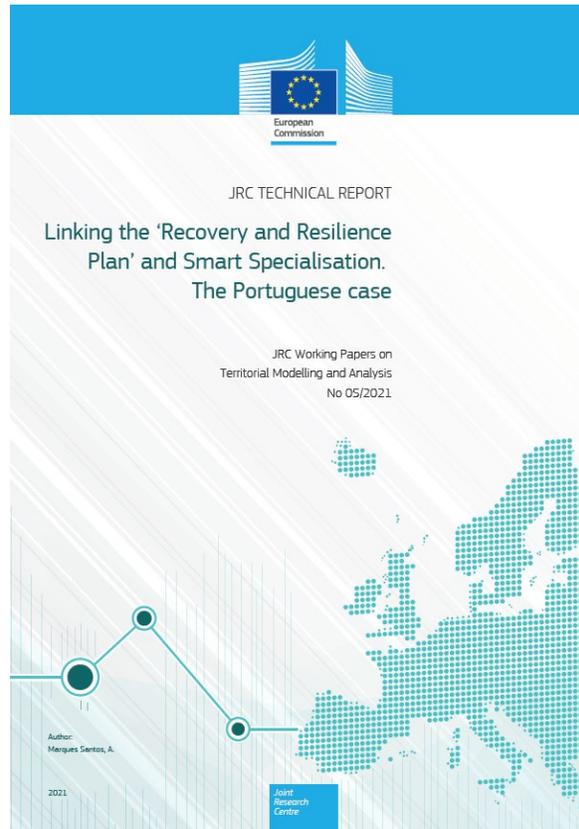
- Support to the country analyses of the recovery and resilience plan (i.e. Covid-19 effect on innovation and growth)
- Thematic Mapping of ERDF projects: RTD (low-carbon technologies and circular economy)
- Complementarities between funding programmes (i.e. ESIF and H2020; ESIF and RRF)

➤ Territorial Economic Data viewer

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Linking funding programmes: RRF and S3

Maximum financial contribution per EU Member State		
	Share as % of total	Amount (million, 2018 prices)
BE	1,55	4821
BG	1,98	6131
CZ	1,51	4678
DK	0,56	1723
DE	6,95	21545
EE	0,32	1004
IE	0,39	1209
EL	5,77	17874
ES	19,88	61618
FR	10,38	32167
HR	1,98	6125
IT	20,45	63380
CY	0,35	1082
LV	0,70	2170
LT	0,89	2766
LU	0,03	101
HU	1,98	6136
MT	0,07	226
NL	1,68	5197
AT	0,95	2950
PL	8,65	26808
PT	4,16	12905
RO	4,36	13505
SI	0,55	1693
SK	1,98	6140
FI	0,71	2196
SE	1,24	3849
Total	100,00	310000



How JRC is supporting the **EX-ANTE EVALUATION?**

RHOMOLO

Dynamic Spatial General Equilibrium Model developed by JRC for impact assessments of EU Policies

- Geographical coverage: 27 EU Member States + ROW ; 235 NUTS2 regions
- 10 sectors disaggregation (+ higher detail making use of auxiliary sectoral analyses)
- Policy shocks affect economic variables (deviation from baseline)
- Well-established scientific tool for policy support
 - Contributions to support 5 DGs & other EU institutions (2019 onwards)
 - 10 articles in peer-reviewed int. journals & 2 book chapters (2019 onwards)

SIMULATED IMPACT ON GDP GROWTH (AVERAGE)

LESS DEVELOPED REGIONS



TRANSITION REGIONS



MORE DEVELOPED REGIONS



Between 0,1 and ≈1% GDP

Between 1 and 6 % GDP

Growth calculated is higher for the less developed regions.
In the long run this could bring all EU regions to a similar level of wealth.

investment



direct effect

indirect effect

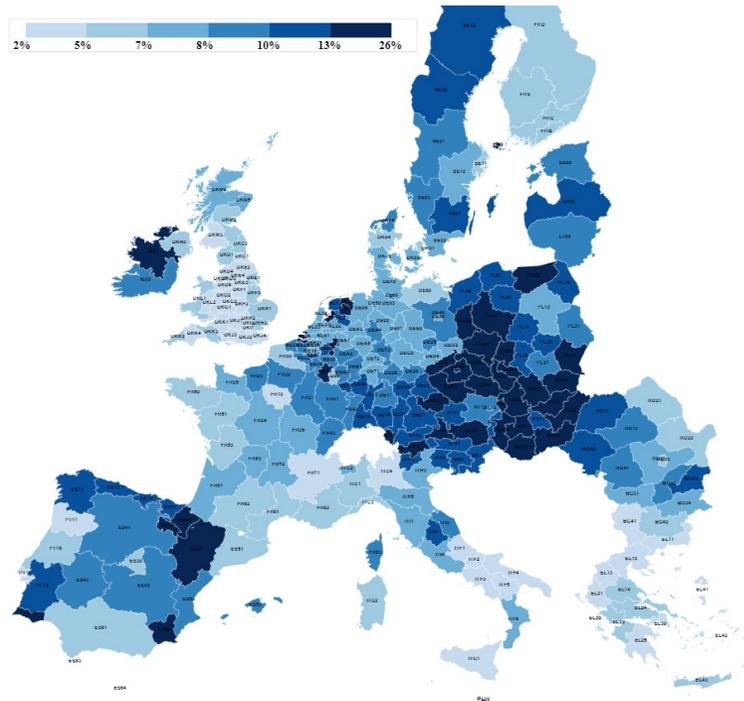
induced effect

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Capturing the spatial distribution of economic activities

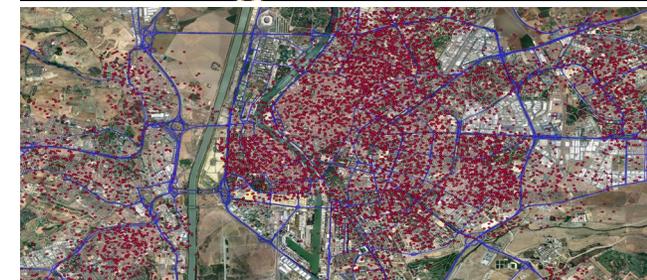
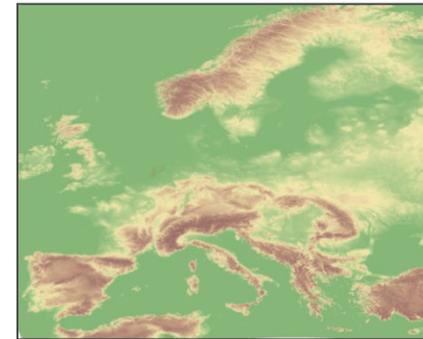
Sector composition

- through regional I/O tables and Social Accounting Matrices

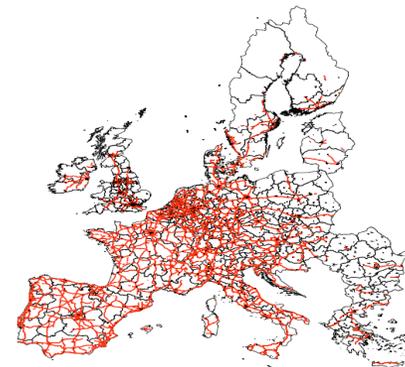


Spatial configuration

- through territorial accessibility via asymmetric sector-region specific trade costs (Generalised Transport Cost - GTC)



Source: OpenStreetMap



2021: Portugal 2020 Macroeconomic Impact Assessment – with the Agência Para O Desenvolvimento E Coesão, I.P.

Portugal 2020 Macroeconomic Impact Assessment (Barbero and Salotti, 2021) - Final report based on RHOMOLO and QUEST simulations

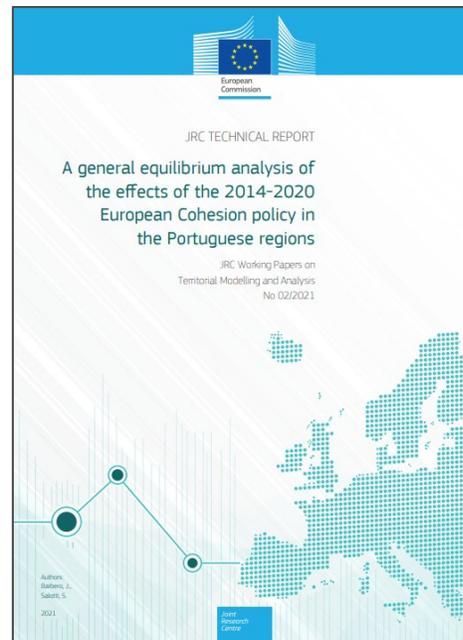


Table 6. GDP and employment impact (% deviations from the baseline) in the seven Portuguese NUTS 2 regions (10, 20, and 30 years after the beginning of the policy)

	GDP (% deviation from baseline)			Employment (% deviation from baseline)		
	2023	2033	2043	2023	2033	2043
PT11	4.03%	2.30%	1.43%	2.09%	1.24%	0.78%
PT15	1.82%	1.31%	0.91%	0.94%	0.80%	0.57%
PT16	3.74%	2.11%	1.31%	1.65%	0.98%	0.62%
PT17	1.14%	0.65%	0.43%	0.45%	0.34%	0.24%
PT18	5.10%	3.39%	2.28%	2.48%	1.77%	1.22%
PT20	5.14%	3.82%	2.64%	2.41%	1.97%	1.42%
PT30	2.86%	2.36%	1.73%	1.52%	1.42%	1.09%

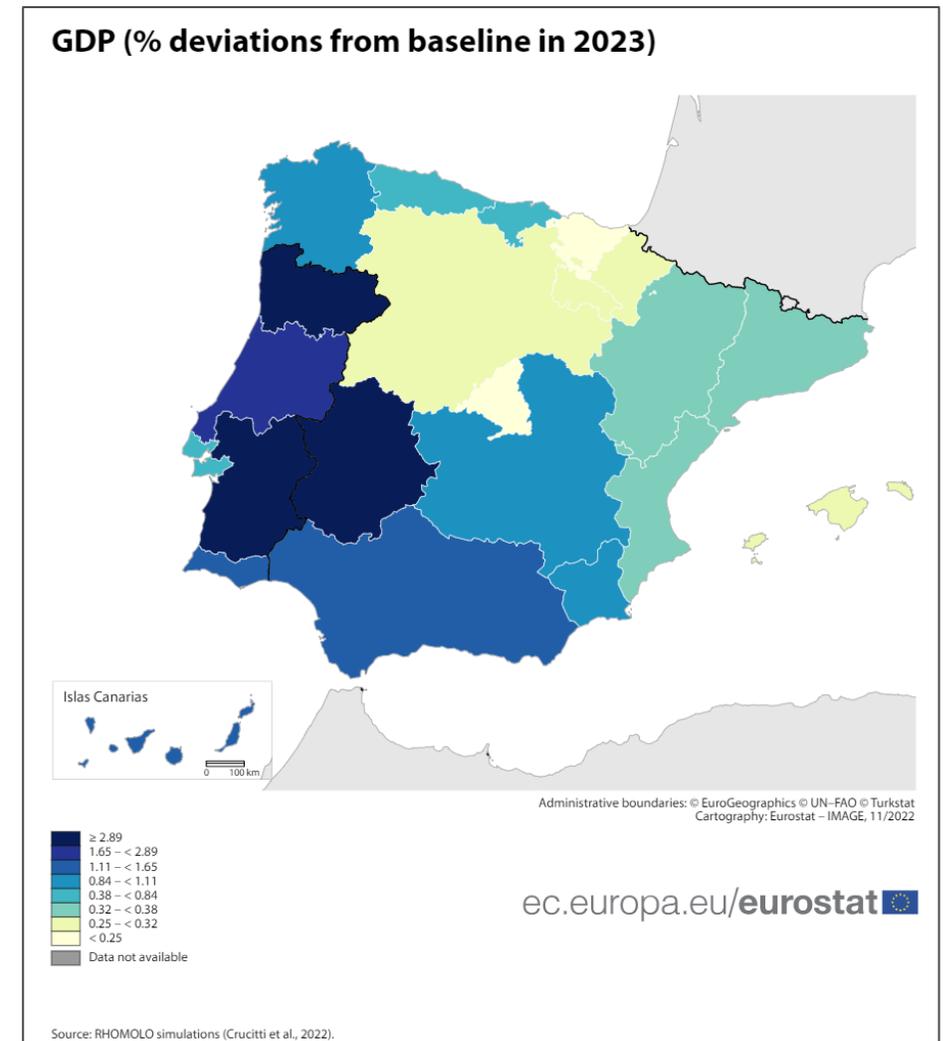
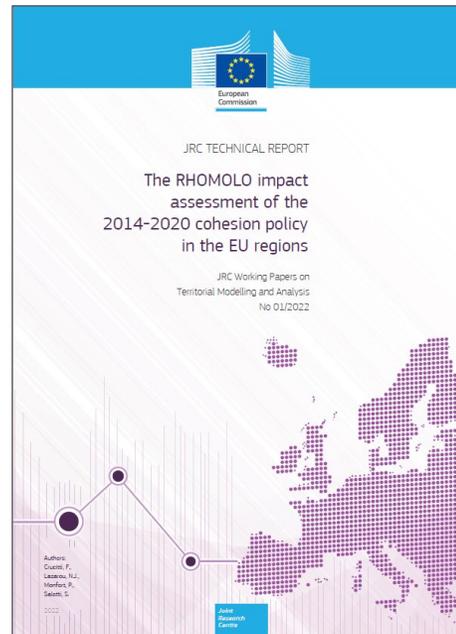
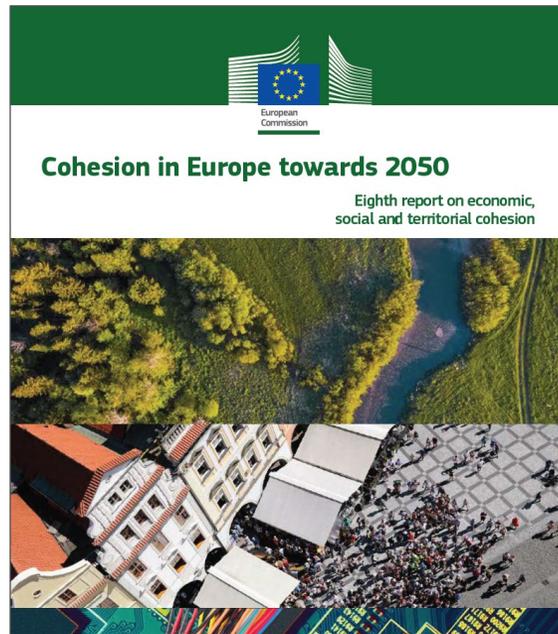
Source: RHOMOLO simulations.

2022: 2014-2020 Cohesion policy impact assessment

(featured in the 8th Cohesion Report by DG REGIO)

2014-2020 Cohesion Policy Impact Assessment (Crucitti et al., 2022)

	GDP (% deviations from baseline)	
	2023	2033
ES	0.58%	0.43%
PT	1.98%	1.29%



2022: Impact assessment of the Youth-related measures of the RRF (featured in the 2022 Employment and Social Developments in Europe Report by DG EMPL)

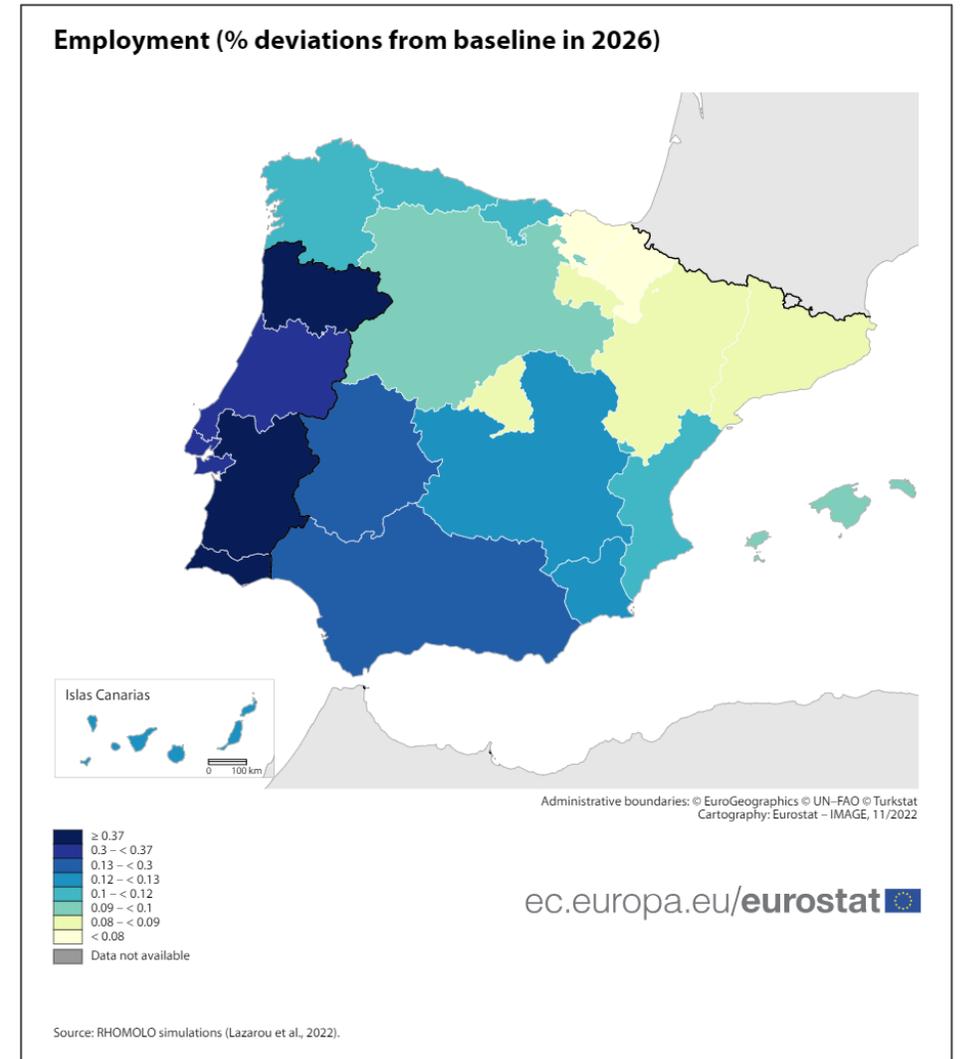
Impact of RRF Youth-related measures (Lazarou et al., 2022)

Territorial Development - JRC Policy Insights
TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT INSIGHTS SERIES - JULY 2022



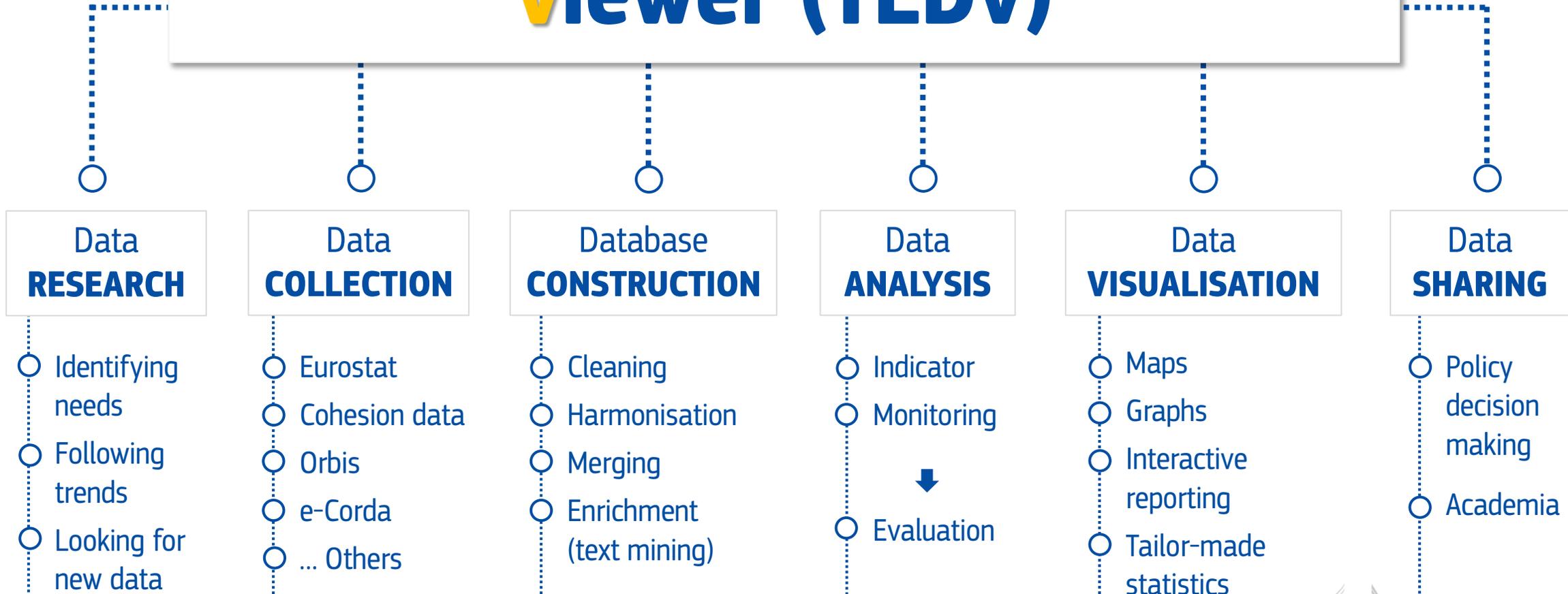
YOUTH RELATED MEASURES OF THE RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FACILITY. A RHOMOLO ANALYSIS
NICHOLAS LAZAROU, ANABELA MARQUES SANTOS, JUAN CARLOS DEL RIO, STYLIANOS SAKKAS

- Young people (15-29 years old) were the most impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic crisis due to their specific labour market situation.
- In response to the crisis, the European Commission launched the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF), which became operative through Member States' (MS) Recovery and Resilience Plans (RRPs).
- About 9% of the measures included in the RRFs approved by March 2022 are youth-related.
- Youth-related measures comprise investments to improve labour productivity and labour supply, as well as public infrastructures investments.
- The RHOMOLO analysis reported here quantifies the potential impact of these measures on GDP and employment at the NUTS2 level.
- RRF youth-related measures have the potential to increase GDP and employment by 0.8% and 0.5% respectively. The regions with the highest youth unemployment rates should benefit the most.

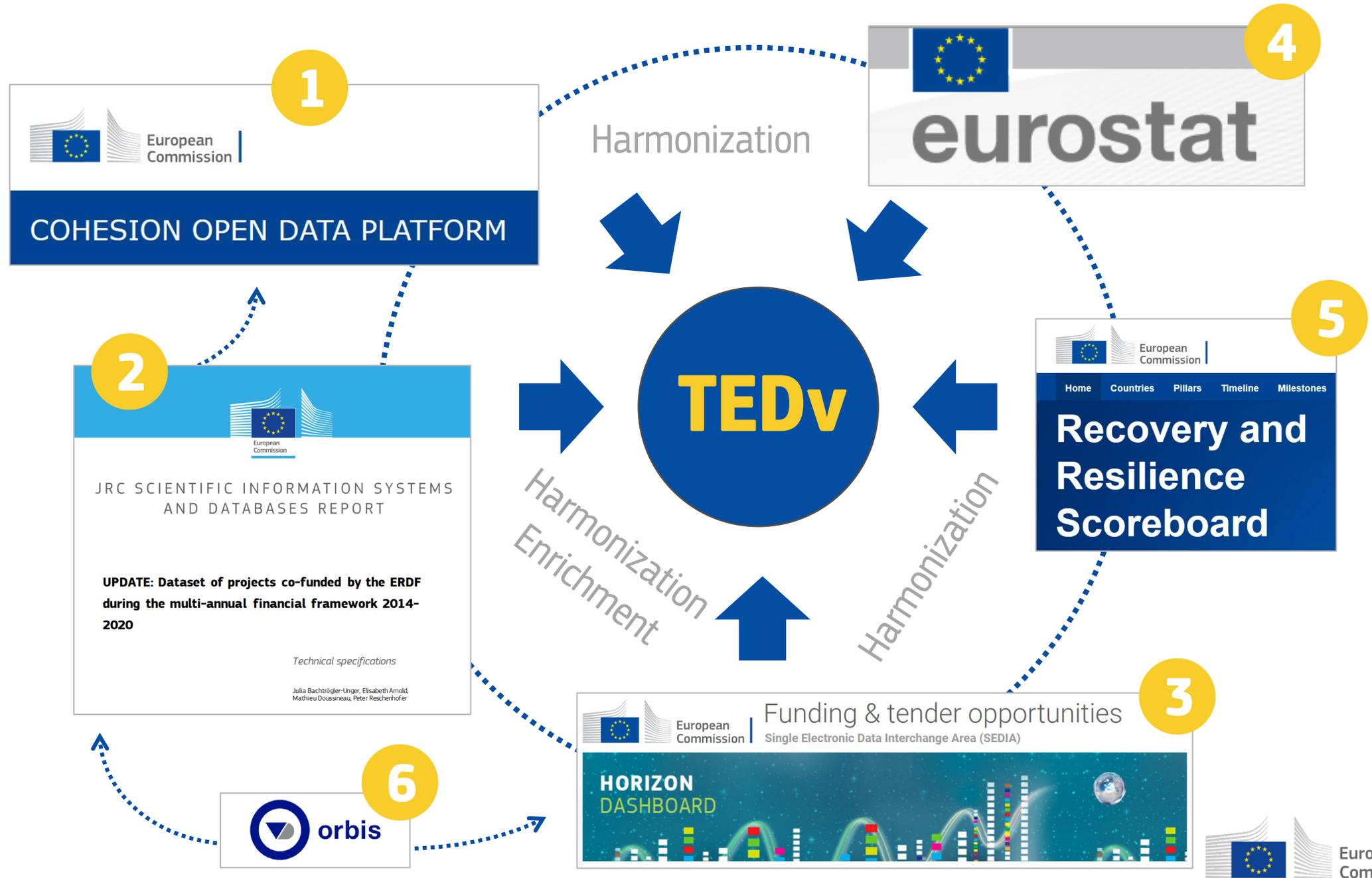


How JRC is supporting the **MONITORING** of R&I funds?

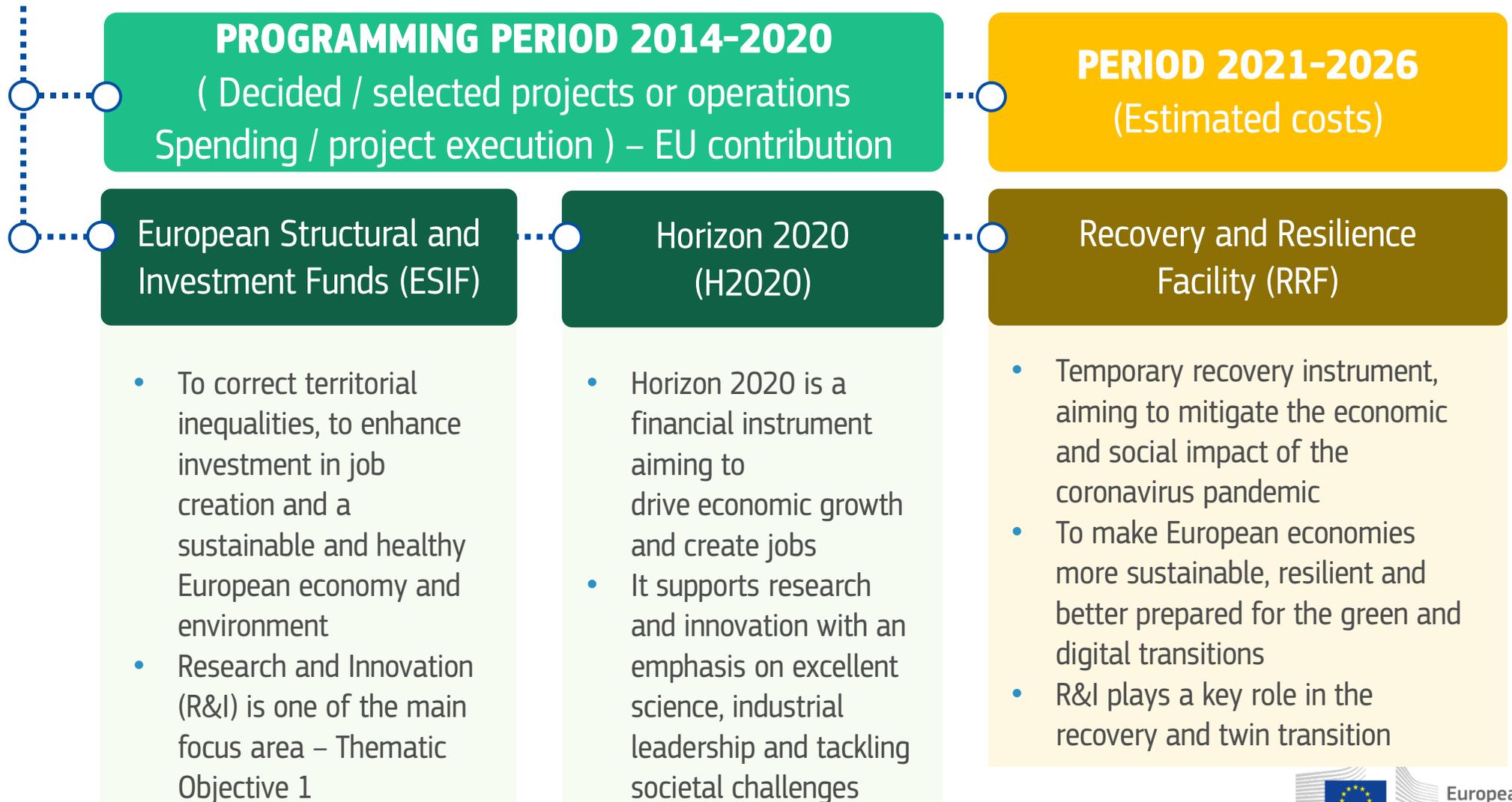
Territorial Economic Data viewer (TEDv)



TEDv: Data source



3 ≠ R&I FUNDING PROGRAMMES



Territorial Economic Data viewer (TEDv): A tool to support policy cycle

PILOT PHASE

The screenshot displays a comprehensive dashboard with the following sections:

- Top Navigation:** Four tabs for 'Territorial R&D indicators', 'European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) 2014 - 2020', 'National 2020 (2014 - 2020)', and 'Research and Innovation Facility (2021 - 2027)'. Below these are summary values for Belgium, such as 15 109.90M for Territorial R&D.
- Left Panel:** 'Basic economic and demographic indicators' including GDP, population density, and age dependency ratio.
- Center:** A large table of 'NACE codes' and 'Business ESZ' with columns for 'Value' and 'Share of total selected projects costs'. It lists sectors like Agriculture, Mining, Manufacturing, and Information & communication.
- Bottom Section:** A grid of small maps and data cards for various countries, each showing a specific indicator value (e.g., GDP per capita, R&D intensity).

Access here  <https://web.jrc.ec.europa.eu/dashboard/TEDV/>

Country and regional dashboard ▶

Sectorial dashboard ▶

Territorial benchmarking ▶

Background information ▶

Territorial Economic Data viewer

Example: Portuguese' regions (Overview)



EU27

ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita
84.56

% total R&D expenditure
1.7%

% total H2020
71%

% RRF R&D
63%

H2020 indicators

Cum. H2020 per capita
118.67

% total R&D expenditure
2.4%

% total ESIF R&D
140%

% RRF R&D
100%



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
448.95

% total R&D expenditure
22.07%

% total H2020
402.15%

% RRF R&D
302.15%

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
111.64

% total R&D expenditure
5.49%

% total ESIF R&D
24.87%

% RRF R&D
75.13%



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
611.11

% total R&D expenditure
32.10%

% total H2020
655.41%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
93.24

% total R&D expenditure
4.90%

% total ESIF R&D
15.26%

% RRF R&D
-



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
635.63

% total R&D expenditure
37.00%

% total H2020
702.57%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
90.47

% total R&D expenditure
5.27%

% total ESIF R&D
14.23%

% RRF R&D
-



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
564.56

% total R&D expenditure
54.26%

% total H2020
1283.30%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
43.99

% total R&D expenditure
4.23%

% total ESIF R&D
7.79%

% RRF R&D
-



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
195.40

% total R&D expenditure
29.64%

% total H2020
383.21%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
50.99

% total R&D expenditure
7.73%

% total ESIF R&D
26.10%

% RRF R&D
-

Territorial Economic Data viewer

Example: Spanish' regions (Overview)



EU27

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% total ESIF R&D
140%

% RRF R&D
100%



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
159.68

% total R&D expenditure
6.94%

% total H2020
119.28%

% RRF R&D
68.66%

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
133.87

% total R&D expenditure
5.82%

% total ESIF R&D
83.84%

% RRF R&D
57.56%



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
250.81

% total R&D expenditure
15.42%

% total H2020
349.22%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
71.82

% total R&D expenditure
4.42%

% total ESIF R&D
28.64%

% RRF R&D
-



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
161.55

% total R&D expenditure
6.89%

% total H2020
226.86%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
71.21

% total R&D expenditure
3.04%

% total ESIF R&D
44.08%

% RRF R&D
-



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
269.52

% total R&D expenditure
29.34%

% total H2020
1982.62%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
13.59

% total R&D expenditure
1.48%

% total ESIF R&D
5.04%

% RRF R&D
-



ESIF R&D indicators

Cum. ESIF R&D per capita*
255.68

% total R&D expenditure
20.15%

% total H2020
623.63%

% RRF R&D
-

H2020 indicators

Cum. EU H2020 per capita*
41.00

% total R&D expenditure
3.23%

% total ESIF R&D
16.04%

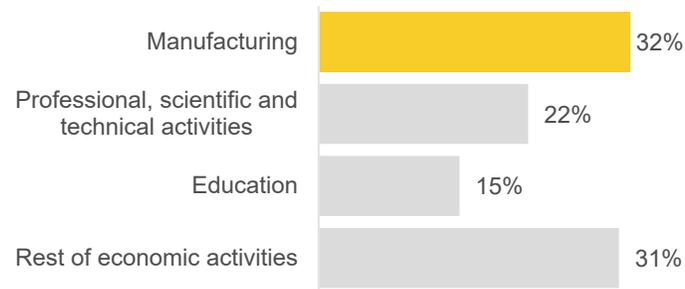
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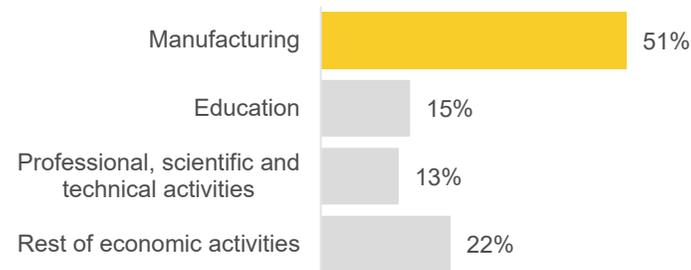
Example: Portuguese' regions (Sectorial concentration)

ERDF R&I

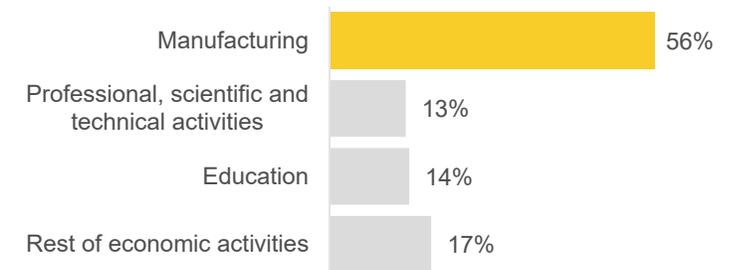
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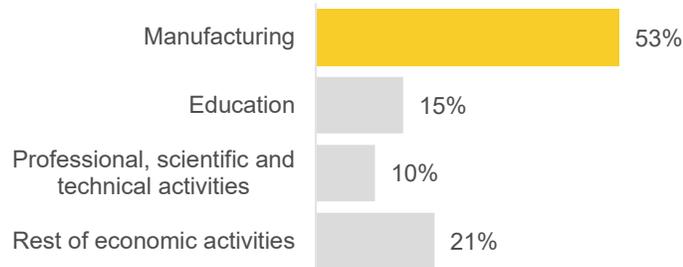
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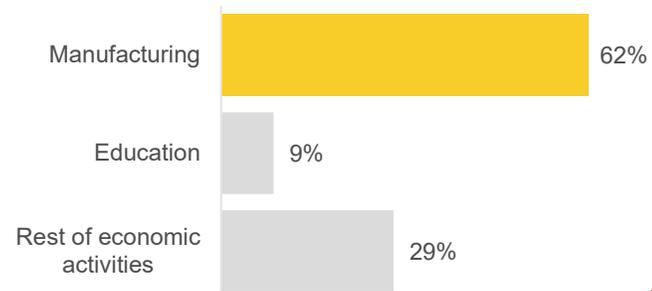
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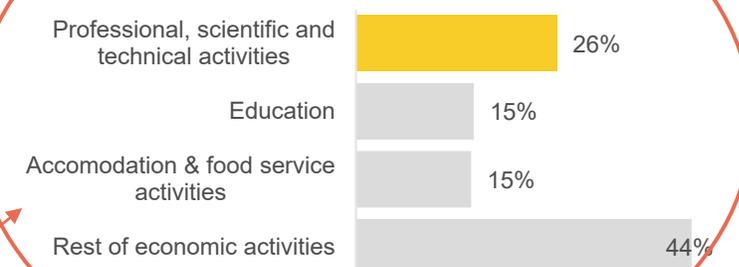
Centro (PT16)



Alentejo (PT18)



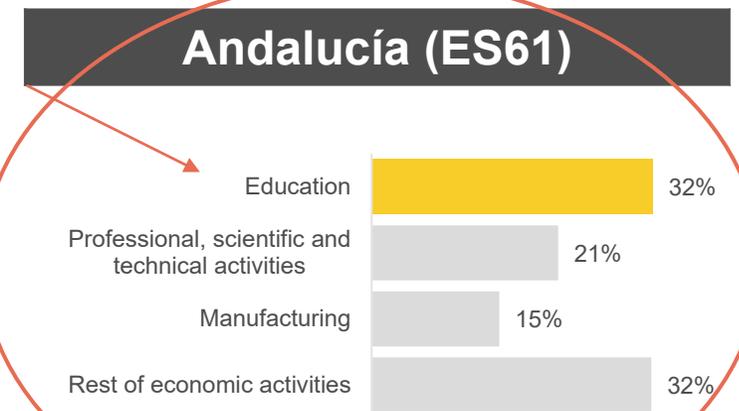
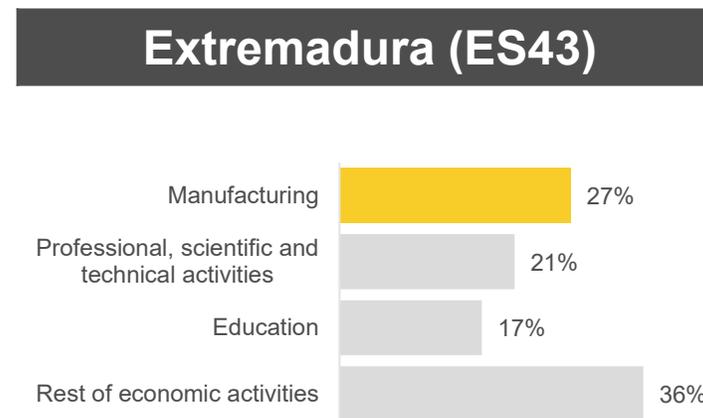
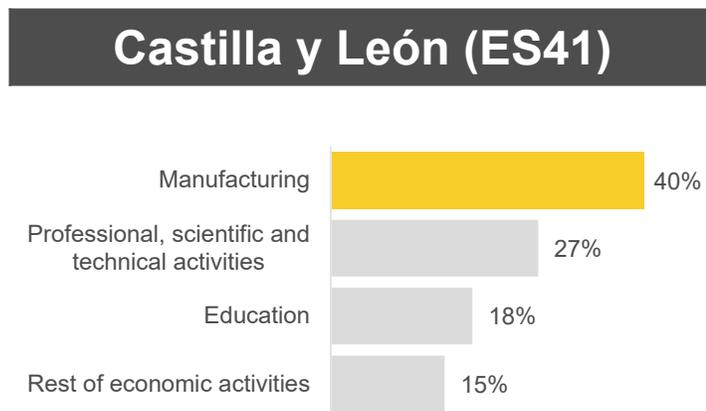
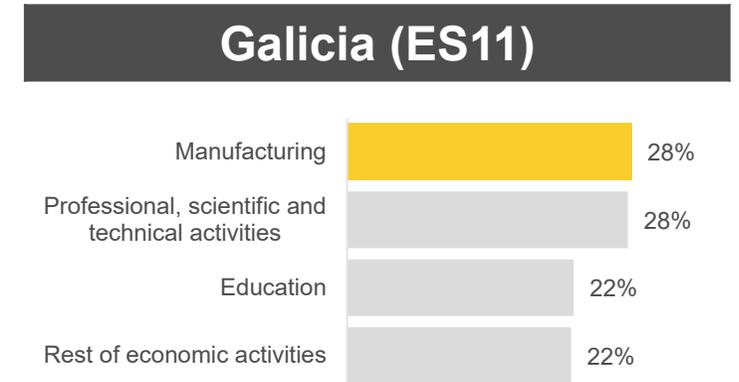
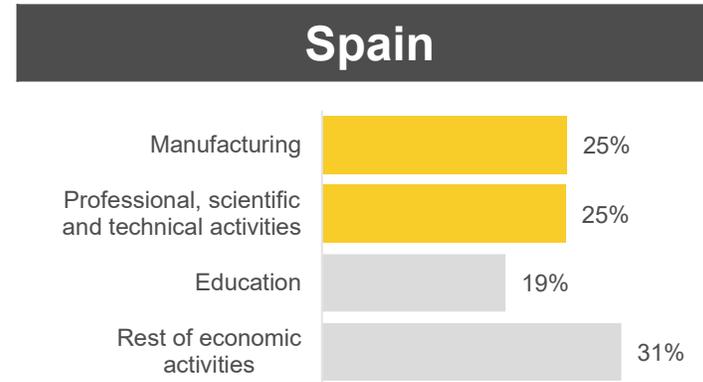
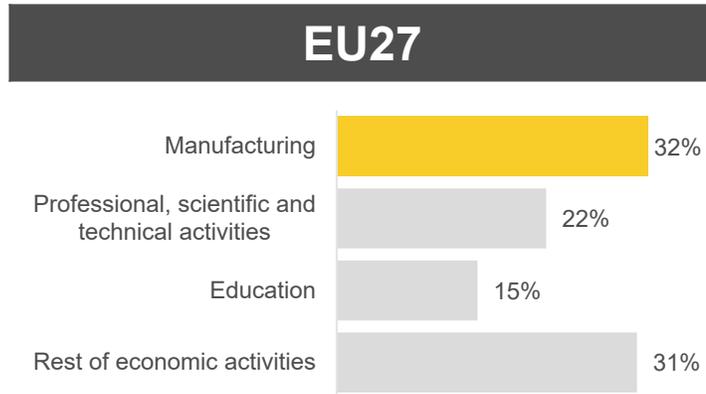
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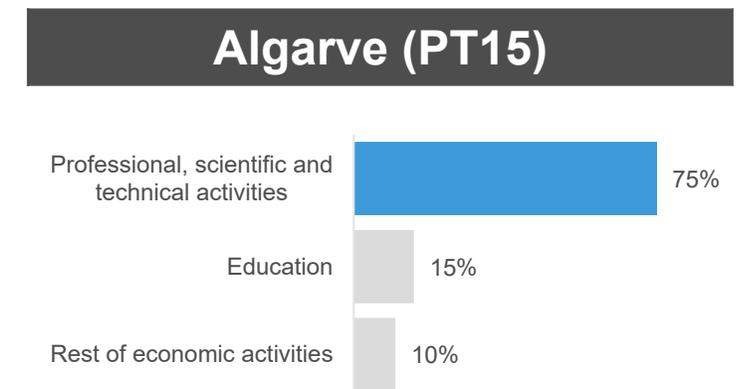
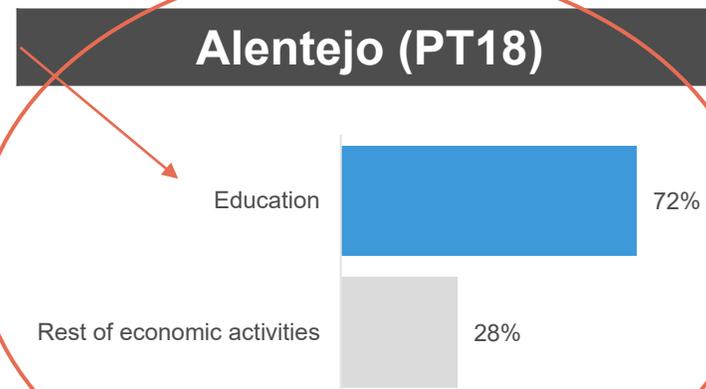
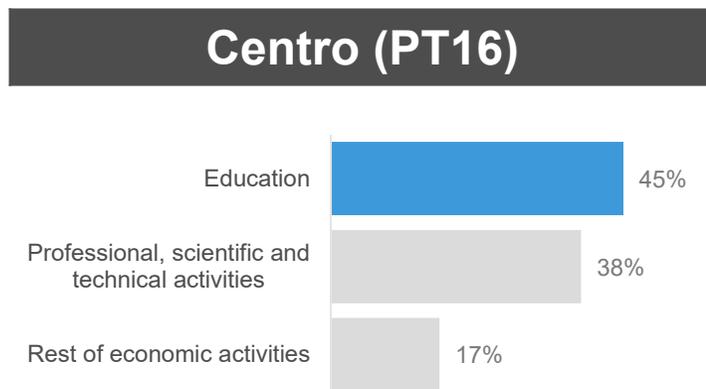
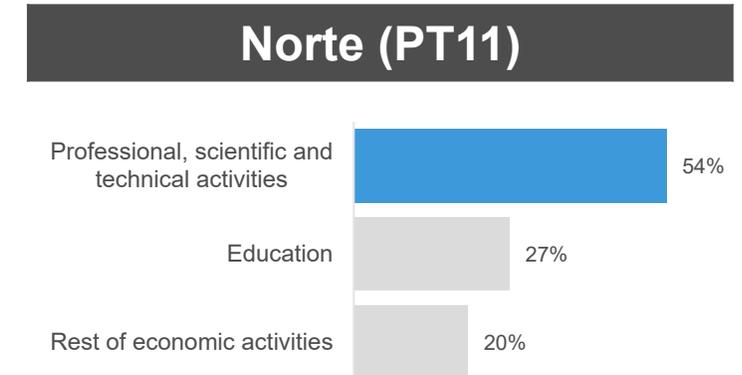
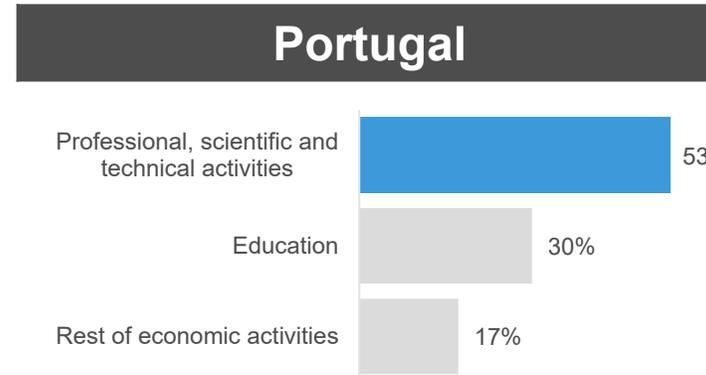
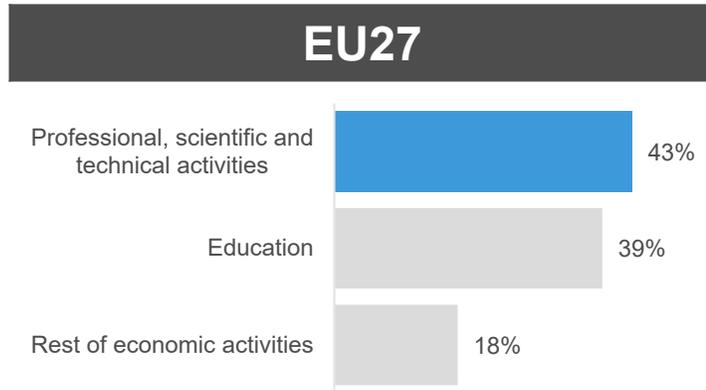
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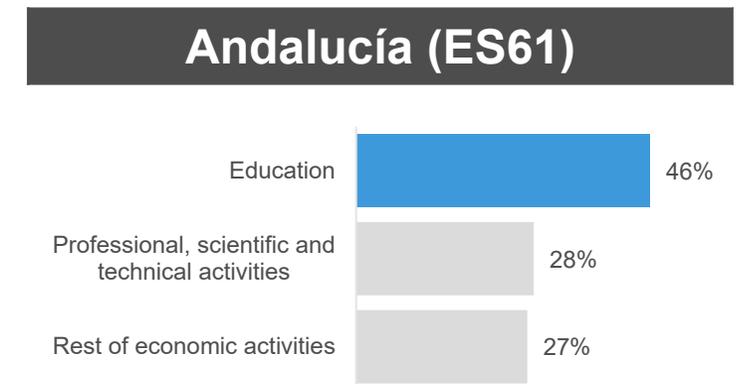
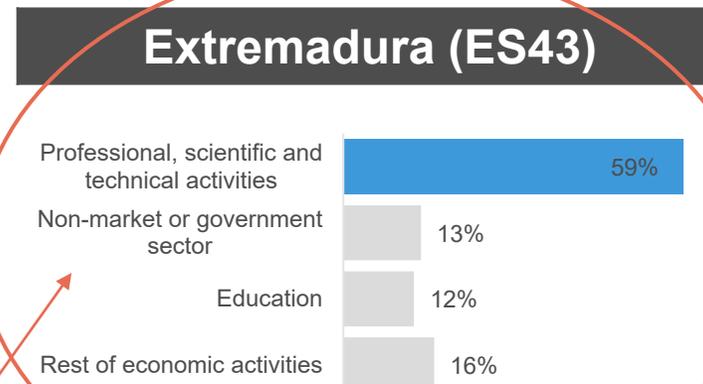
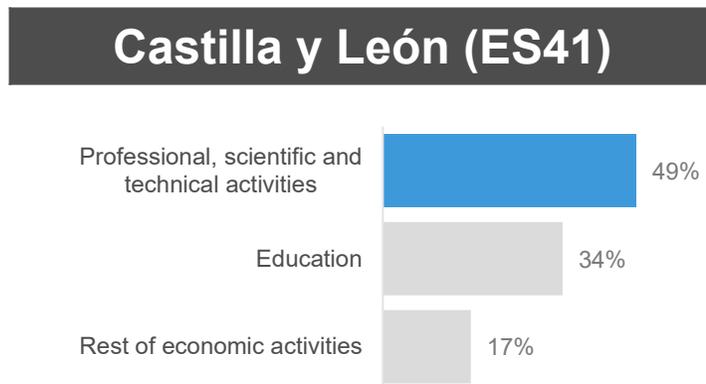
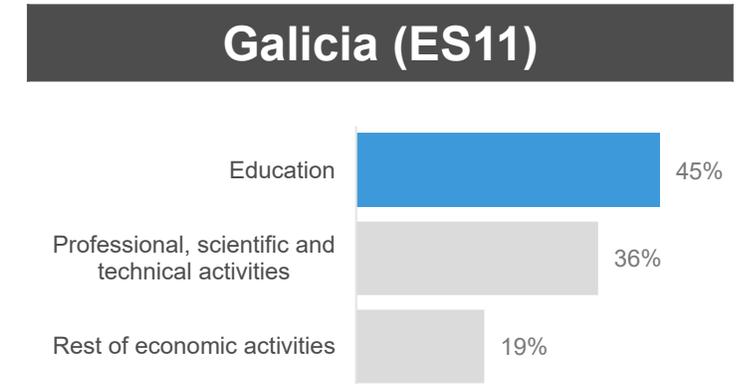
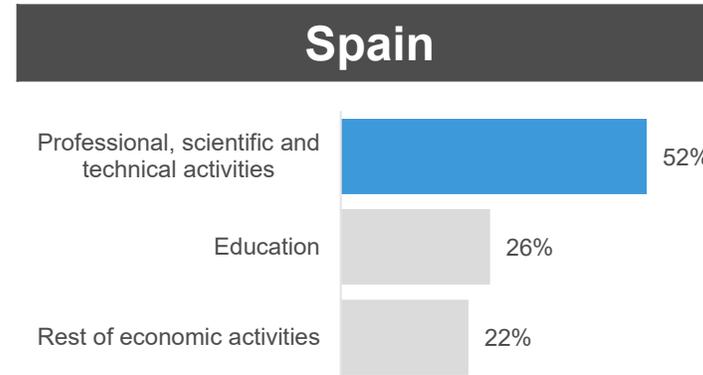
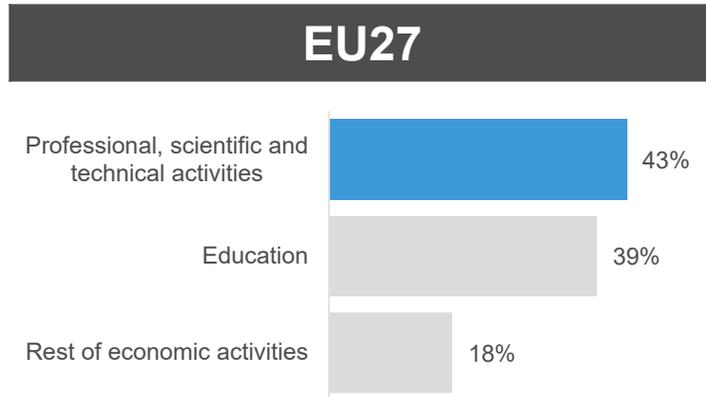
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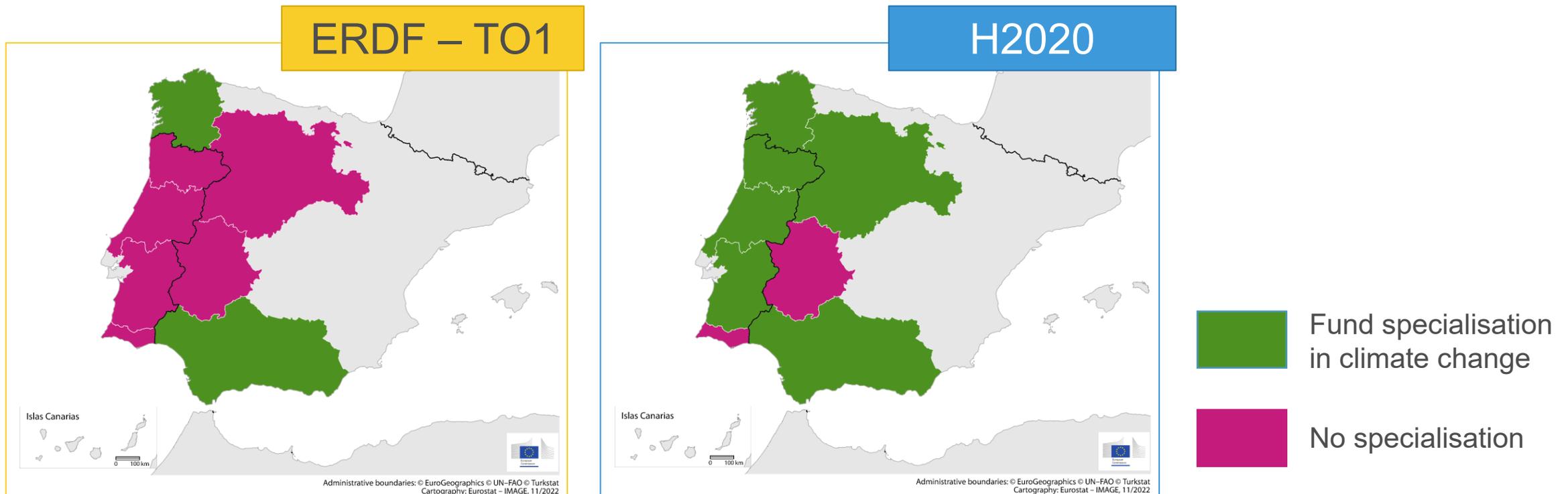
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Territorial Economic Data viewer (TEDv) - (forthcoming)

Example: Portugal and Spain – Climate Change Concentration Index (Thematic specialisation)



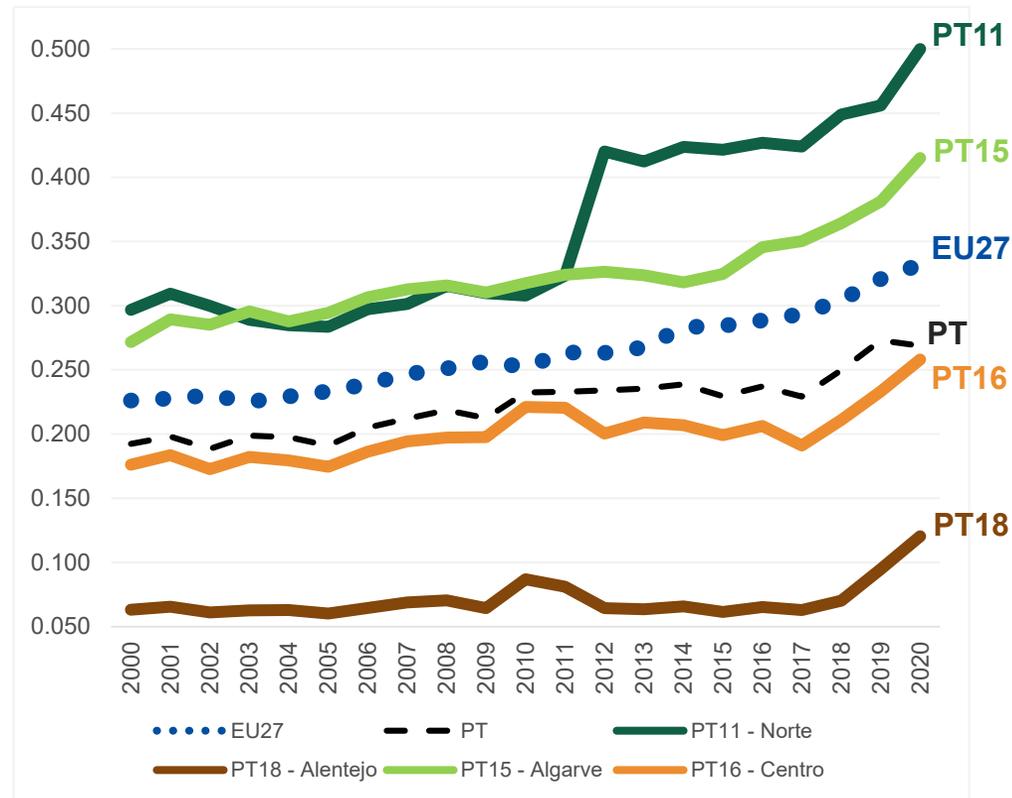
Source: [JRC-B7 TEDAM team](#) estimation based on [Bachtrögler-Unger et al. \(2021\)](#) | [Territorial Economic Data viewer \(TEDv\)](#) (*forthcoming*)

Note: Estimated using the concentration index. This index is equal to 100 for EU27 average and for the other territories it expresses their specialisation patterns (= share of funds in climate change projects in a territory over the average of this share in the EU27 x 100). Values higher than 100 indicates a concentration face EU reference.

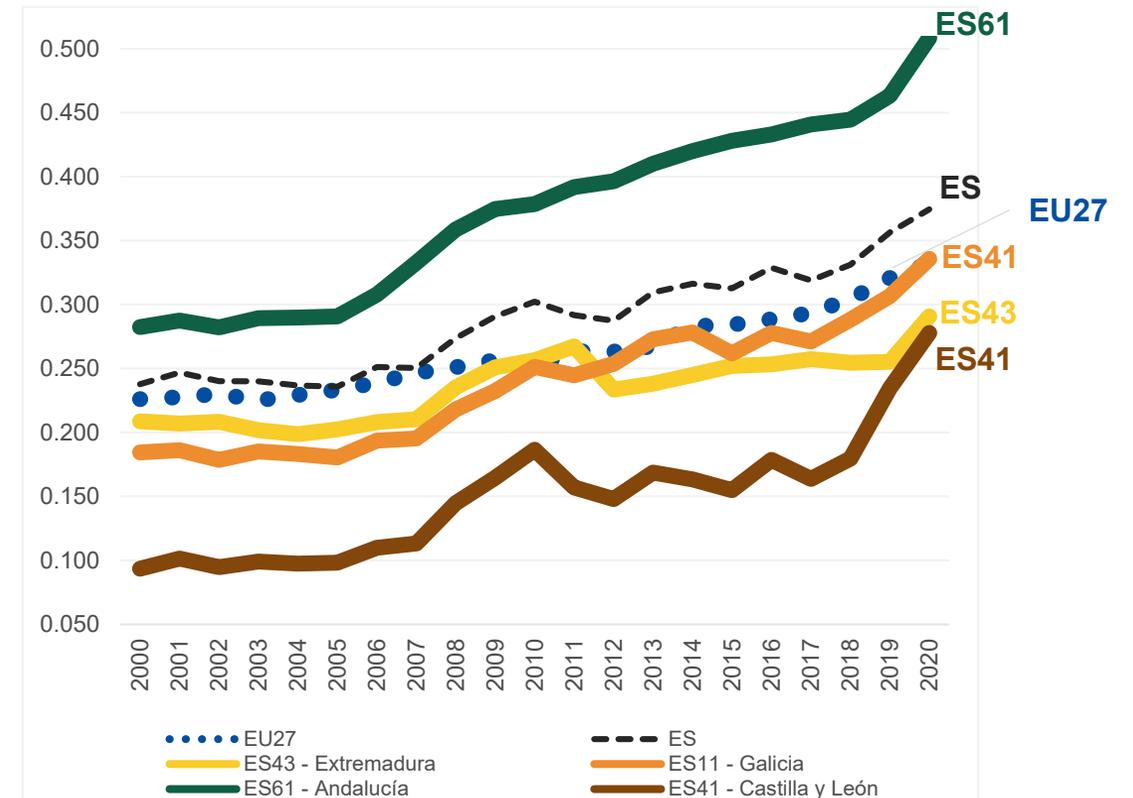
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Example: Portugal and Spain (Eco-efficiency)

Evolution eco-efficiency: Portuguese regions



Evolution eco-efficiency: Spanish regions



Support in policy **EX-POST** **EVALUATION**

S3 (ex-post) evaluation in Portugal

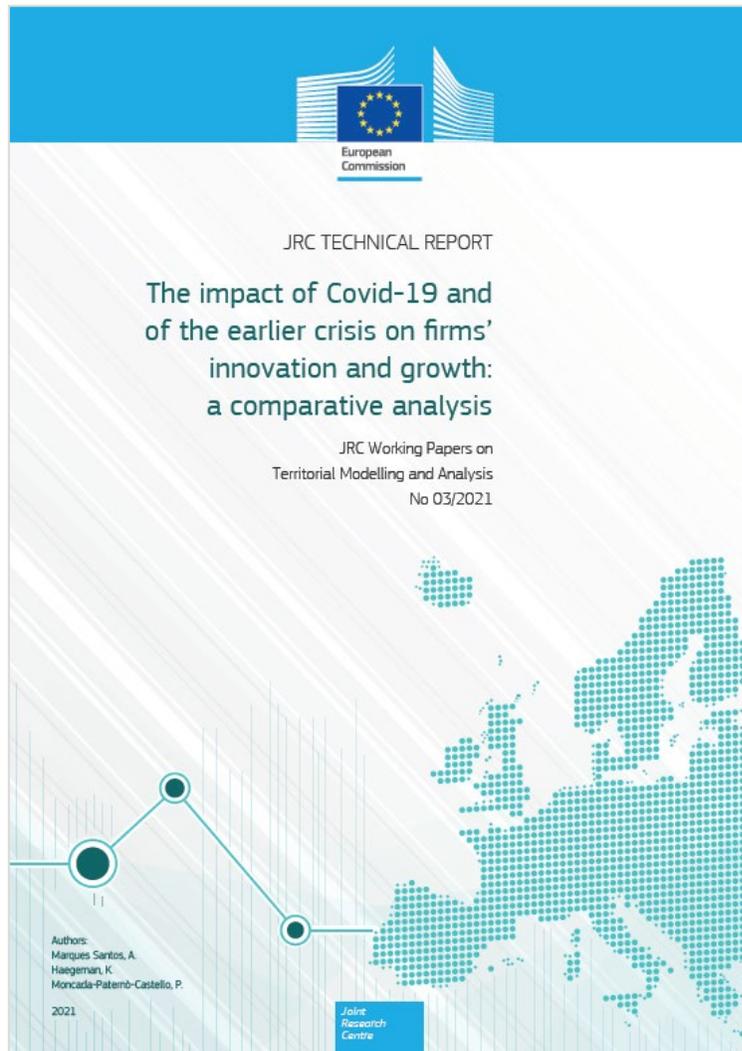


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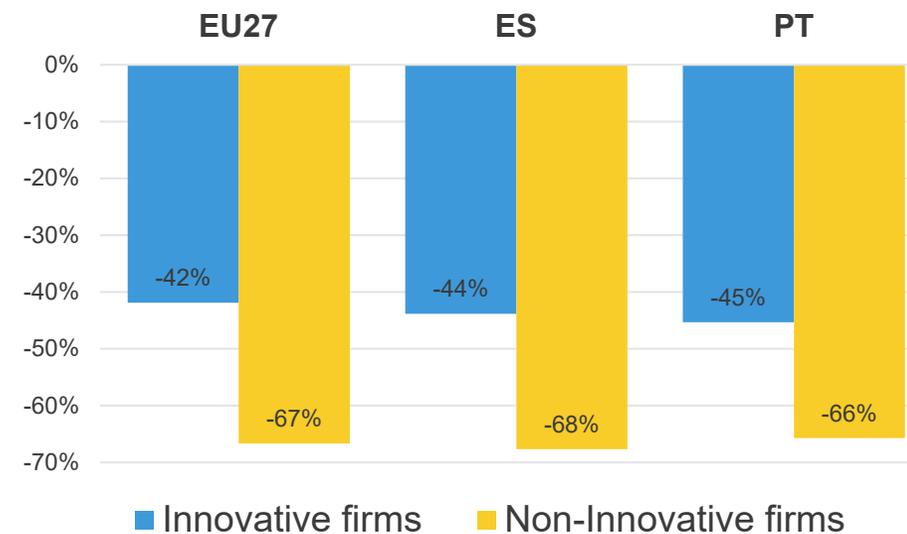
- Additional effect of RDI subsidies in the period 2014-2020 (under S3 framework) → **potential positive effect of S3 in Portugal in regional productivity**
- Existence of **complementarities and synergies** between RDI financing instruments



Covid-19 effect on Innovation and Growth

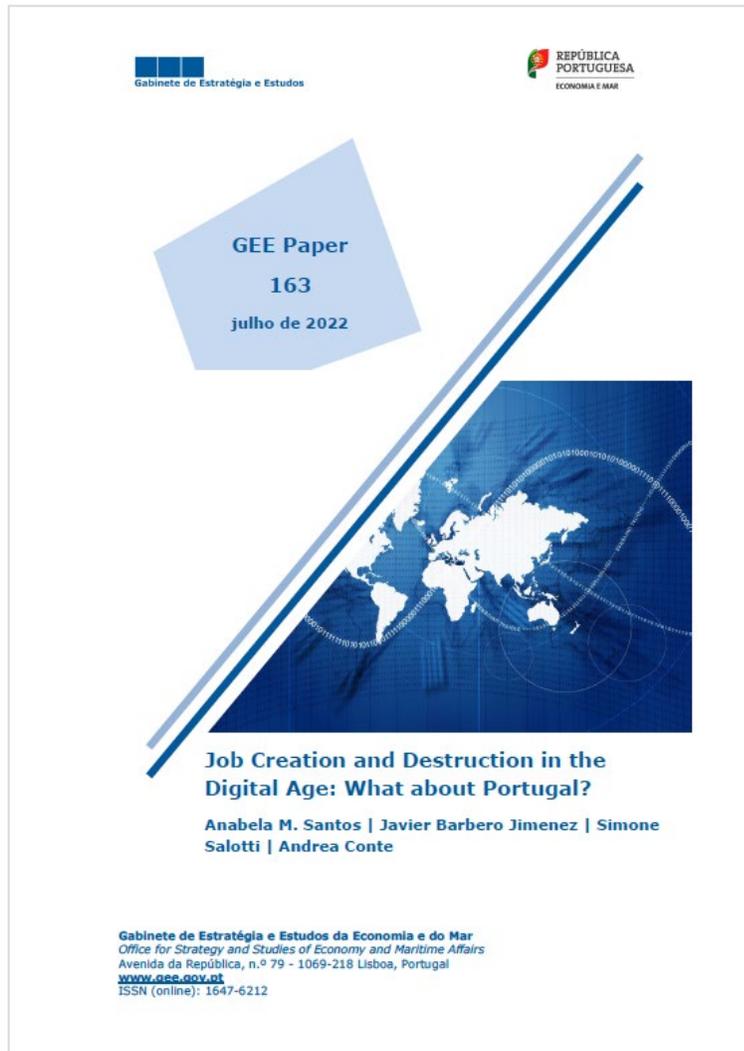


Growth likelihood of innovative firm less impacted by Covid-19



Note: Values refer to change in the estimated probability of firm's turnover growth between 2018-2019 and 2020

Effect of digitalisation on employment



- Increase of investment in digitalization EU27 and PT (1995-2019)
- Growth trend is driven by non-machine-based digital investment
- Change in employment structure
- **Positive net effect of digitalization on EU27 and PT employment**
- Increase of €100.000 in the stock of digital technologies ➔ Increase of 1.3 to 3.1 jobs (EU27) and 4.6 jobs (PT)

Thank you

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