

Broadband Competence Offices Support Facility

Who we are What we do





What is the Broadband Competence Offices Support Facility?

 The European Commission offers a support facility (BCO-SF), a dedicated office for support and facilitation between all the BCOs through regular workshops and constant networking.

Objectives

- To support and strengthen the existing BCOs and promote the creation of new BCOs.
- To create and disseminate knowledge, including the exchange of best practices.
- To identify potential multipliers, involved in the implementation of broadband plans in Europe.



What is a BCO?

- Broadband Competence Offices (BCOs) provide technical support to representatives of local and regional authorities on ways to invest effectively in broadband – and whenever possible in combination with financial instruments.
- Set up at the national or regional level, BCOs operate as single contact points to stakeholders delivering broadband, notably in conjunction with the European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF).





BCO-SF services' overview

- Network animation
- Training
- Best practice sharing
- Funding guidance
- Regulatory issues







EU Broadband funding (ERDF & EAFRD)

2014-2020 OVERALL EU BUDGETS FOR BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT (MEUR)





Other broadband funds

Debt based instruments

- Connected Europe Broadband Fund
- Strategic Investment Fund EFSI







Challenge of mountain regions

- Technology
- Access / geography
- Population density







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