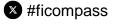


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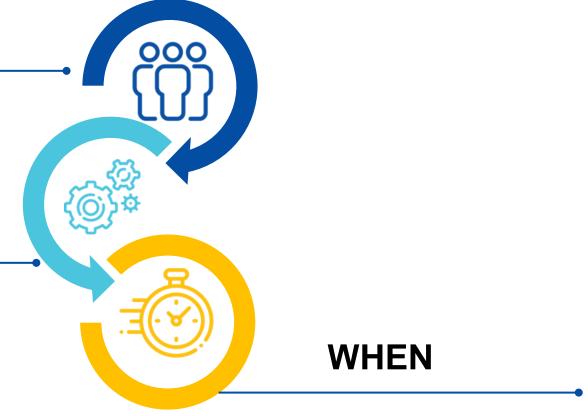
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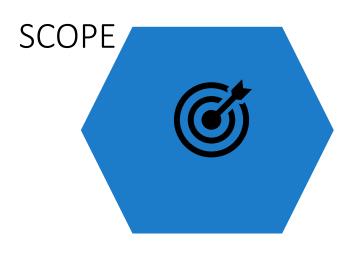
- ✓ EC auditors
- ✓ MS Audit Authorities
- ✓ MA

#### **WHY**

- ✓ Align to 2021-27 CPR
- ✓ Streamlining rules on MCS
- ✓ Simplification



✓ On-time to give legitimate expectations to the programme authorities and stakeholders



- Set out the overall audit approach for EC auditors (Art. 70 CPR)
- ✓ Give the orientation on the audit approach to the AAs (Art. 77 CPR)
- ✓ Tailored to the particularities of FIs
- ✓ Obtain a reasonable assurance

### Limit Audit

- Enhanced proportionate arrangements (Art 83 CPR)
- ☐ Single audit and proportionality (Art 80 CPR)
- Rely on external auditors of body implementing a FI

## No Audit

☐ Final recipient

# No audit by AA

☐ EIB/IFI

#### **AUDIT APPROACH**

✓ Audits proportionate to risks =>> Identify risk areas (e.g. eligibility issues, selection of bodies implementing Fls, implementation options, combination of grants and Fls in one operation)

# System audit

 Assess controls / systems (KR)

# Audit of operations

- Design and Set-up
- Implementation

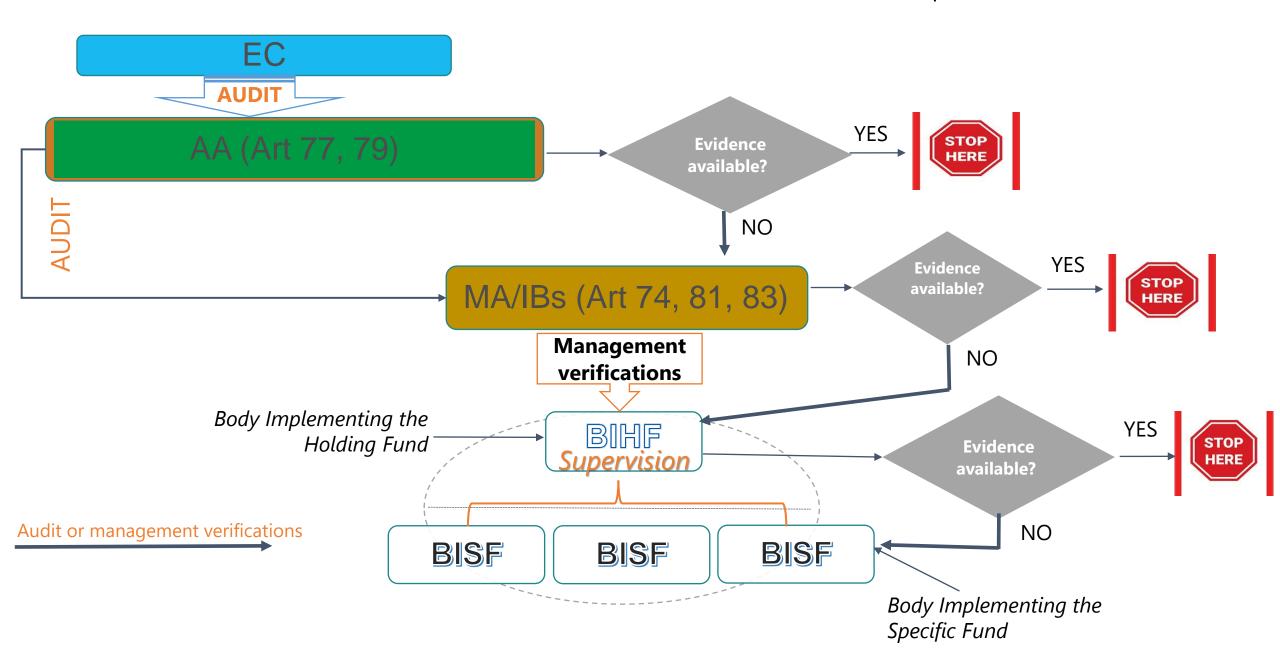
✓ Single audit principle and proportionality

Define audit procedures:

**Test of controls** (Art. 77) *(focus at the beginning of the implementation)* 

**Substantive testing** (Art. 79)

#### PYRAMIDE OF CONTROLS and SINGLE AUDIT PRINCIPLE - example









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