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# Multi-region assistance: the upcoming call for proposals

## Preparatory information session

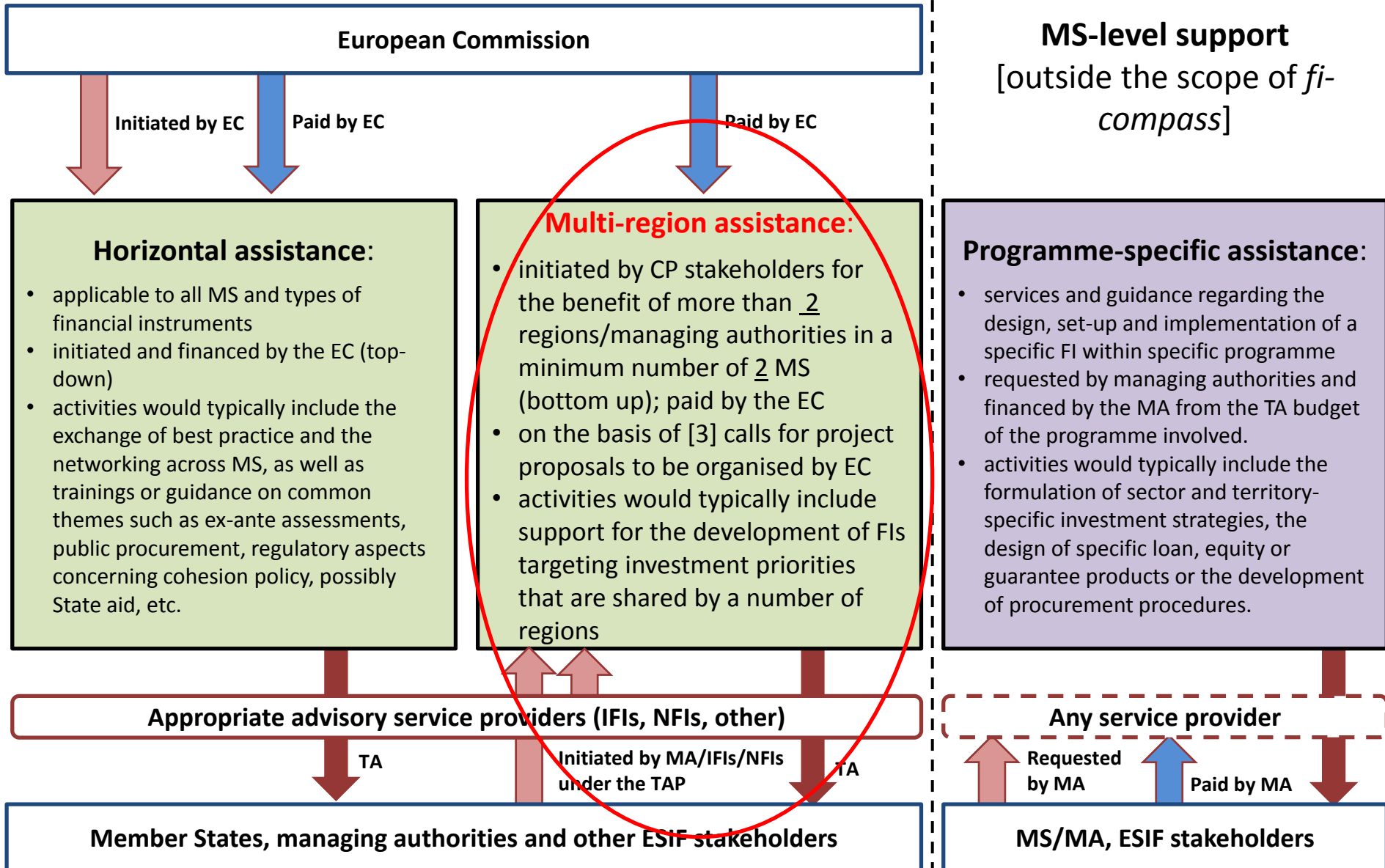
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## Two forms of assistance delivery under *fi-compass*



## Objectives pursued by the EC

- Facilitate a broadened use of FIs, in terms of amounts involved, geographical scope and thematic scope (innovative, new areas)
- Incentivise cooperation between regions from distinct Member States, exchange of practices and mutual learning
- Incentivise cooperation and tapping in the expertise of International Financial Institutions, such as the EBRD, World Bank, CEB, the EIB or the KfW, and/or national financial institutions, such as promotional banks

# What to expect

- Call for proposals is under finalisation, pending the adoption and publication of the respective work programmes/financing decisions (expected by mid-February)
- Looking for grant actions = projects of at least two regions from at least two distinct Member States, involving 1) at least one IFI, or alternatively 2) at least two NFIs from at least two distinct Member States
- Involvement of further relevant partners, e.g. academia or other relevant institutions with public mission will be encouraged
- A new and ambitious initiative: co-financing rate may be up to 95% of eligible costs and grant amount up to € 2.5 million

# Indicative timing

Timing – By when	Multi-region <i>fi-compass</i>
<b>Mid-February 2015</b>	Call published*
<b>Mid - March 2015</b>	Information Session
<b>End - May 2015</b>	Deadline for submission
<b>End - October 2015</b>	Information to applicants
<b>End - January 2016</b>	Grant agreements signed

\* The call will be published on the europa website

**Thank you for your  
attention!**

**Questions & Answers**