

# European Social Fund (ESF): financial allocation for certain Member States in 2013

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**PURPOSE:** to increase the European Social Fund (ESF) allocations to France, Italy and Spain for 2013.

**LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Regulation (EU) No 1298/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 as regards the financial allocation for certain Member States from the European Social Fund.

**CONTENT:** the Regulation increases the European Social Fund (ESF) allocations to **France, Italy and Spain** in commitments for 2013. It is to contribute to the special effort needed to address the specific problems of unemployment, in particular youth unemployment, and of poverty and social exclusion in these three countries.

For the year 2013, **an additional envelope of EUR 125 513 290** under the ESF will be allocated as follows:

- *EUR 83 675 527* will be allocated to France,
- *EUR 25 102 658* will be allocated to Italy, and
- *EUR 16 735 105* will be allocated to Spain.

The Regulation amends the provisions of Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 that set the overall resources of the Funds for the objectives to which they contribute (the convergence objective, and the objective of regional competitiveness and employment), as well as Annex II to that Regulation establishing the criteria and methodology that are used for the indicative annual breakdowns of commitment appropriations by Member States.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 21/12/2013.