



European Funds for Romania 2014-2020

Institutional Management Structure

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Overview

Structural and Cohesion Funds (SCF), or Structural Instruments (SI) are financial instruments that the EU enacts to eliminate economic and social disparities between regions, in order to achieve economic and social cohesion.

- **European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)** - research and technological development, innovation and entrepreneurship, information society, environmental protection, tourism and energy.
- **European Social Fund (ESF)** - helping to increase access to the labor market, preventing unemployment, increasing labor market participation of women and immigrants, combating discrimination.
- **Cohesion Fund (CF)**- Trans-European transport networks, sustainable development, improved air traffic management and road upgrading urban transport, multimodal transport development and modernization.

Implementation Framework

Operational Programs (OP) ensure the operational and effective implementation of structural and cohesion funds along major intervention areas agreed by the Romanian Government with the European Commission.

Government Decision no. 497/2004 establishes the institutional implementation structure of structural instruments. The key actors, as outlined in the Decision, are Managing Authorities, Intermediary Bodies and Payments Authority.

Ministry of Finance shall, through the Managing Authority for Community Support Framework, play the role of national coordinator of the institutional, legal and procedural programming and implementation of Structural Instruments.

Implementation Framework (2)

Managing Authority (MA) is the public body responsible for the implementation of an Operational Program (OP).

- MA is fully responsible for the management and implementation of OPs in accordance with the principles of financial management.
- Develops and maintain internal procedures manual, guidelines and other documents depending on the needs of the program.
- Elaborates evaluation and selection criteria for projects submitted.
- Monitors implementation of OP.

Intermediary Bodies (IB) act as the interface between the Managing Authority and beneficiaries. They are designated by the Managing Authority, via delegation of authority, to ensure implementation of a Priority Axis within the Operational Program.

- IB main responsibilities are related to programming, monitoring, control and reporting.

Implementation Framework (3)

Payment and Certification Authority (PCA) of the Ministry of Finance is responsible for ensuring effective financial management of external grants received from the European Union.

Priority Axis (PA) is one of the strategic priorities of an operational program; it includes a number of correlated financing measures, each with specific measurable goals.

Area of Intervention (AI) is one of the strategic actions, containing a group of related operations, which is foreseen under a OP.

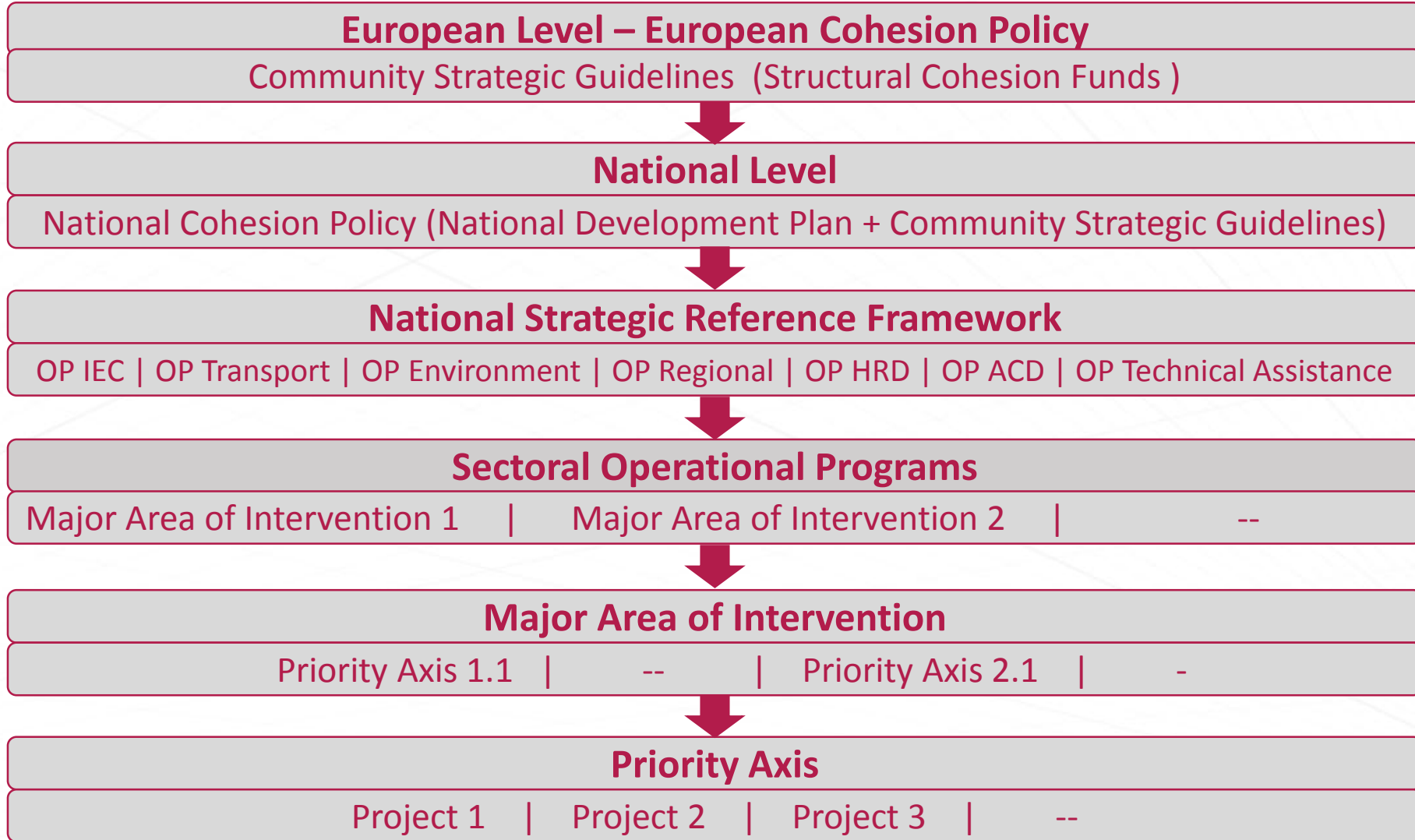
EU Funds Management Structure 2007-2013

Operational Program	Management Authority	Intermediary Bodies	Fund
OP Increase of Economic Competitiveness	Ministry of Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry of Economy, Trade and Business Environment for Priority Axis 1 Ministry of Education, Research, Youth and Sports - National Authority for Scientific Research for Priority Axis 2 Ministry of Communications and Information for SOP Priority Axis 3 Ministry of Economy, Trade and Business Environment - Energy Policy Directorate for Priority Axis 4 	ERDF
OP Transport	Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure	—	ERDF + CF
OP Environmental	Ministry of Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Agency for Environmental Protection 	ERDF + CF

EU Funds Management Structure 2007-2013 (2)

Operational Program	Management Authority	Intermediary Bodies	Fund
OP Human Resources Development	Ministry of Labor, Family and Social Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Agency for Employment Ministry of Education - Department of Education 	ESF
Regional OP	Ministry of Regional Development and Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Development Agencies 	ERDF
OP Administrative Capacity Development	Ministry of Internal Affairs	—	ESF
OP Technical Assistance	Ministry of Finance	—	ERDF
OP Cross-border cooperation (One OP for each order)	Ministry of Regional Development and Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> designated by every OP 	ERDF

National Strategic Reference Framework 2007-2013



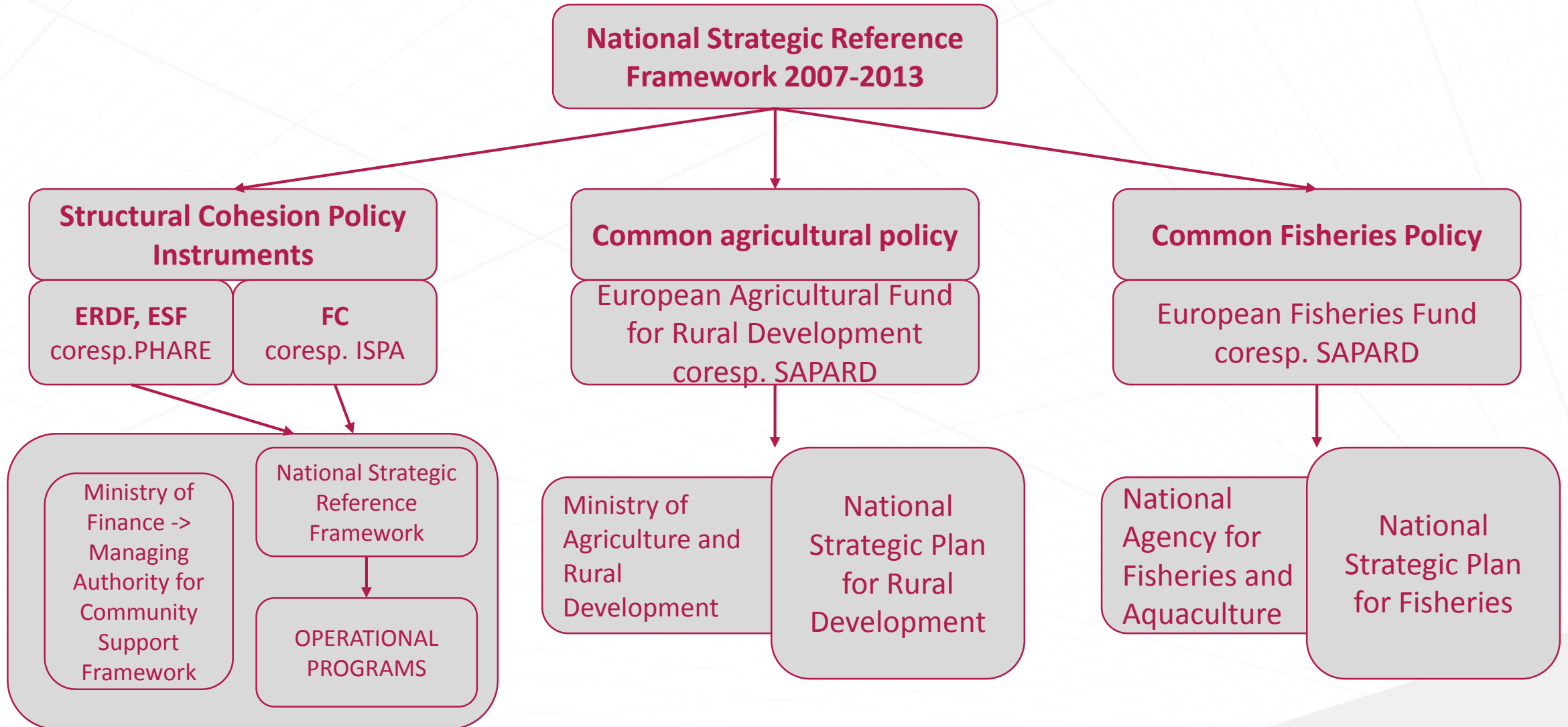
National Strategic Reference Framework 2007-2013 (2)

NSRF is a **strategic planning document** and multiannual financial programming for Romania. NSRF represents the basis of negotiation with the European Commission in terms of Romania's priorities and strategic objectives for development which European Union will support with structural funds in 2007-2013.

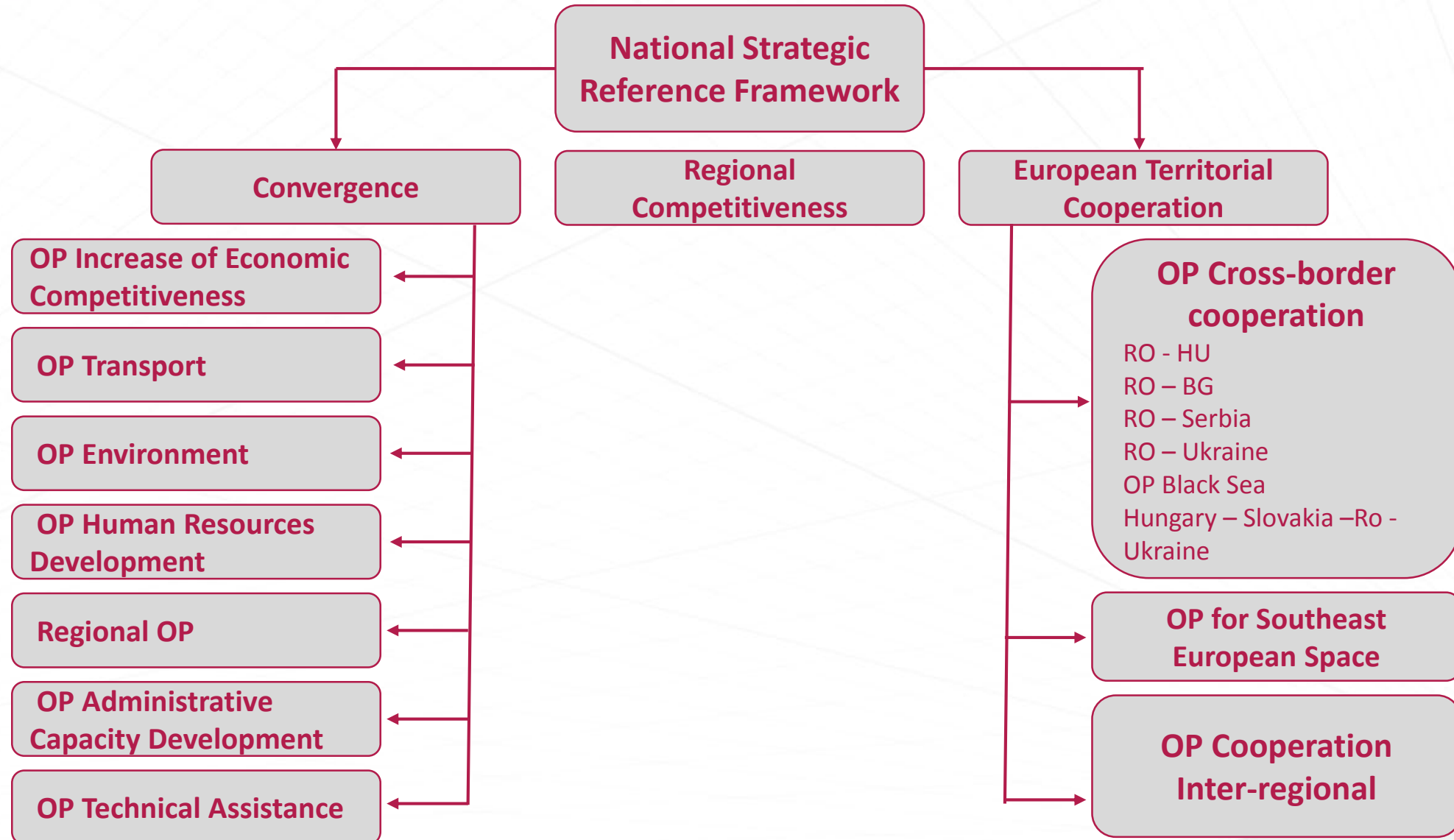
Priorities of the National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF) 2007-2013:

- ✓ Development of basic infrastructure to European Standards
- ✓ Improving Long-Term Competitiveness of the Romanian Economy
- ✓ Development and more efficient use of human capital
- ✓ Building Effective year administrative capacity
- ✓ Balanced territorial development

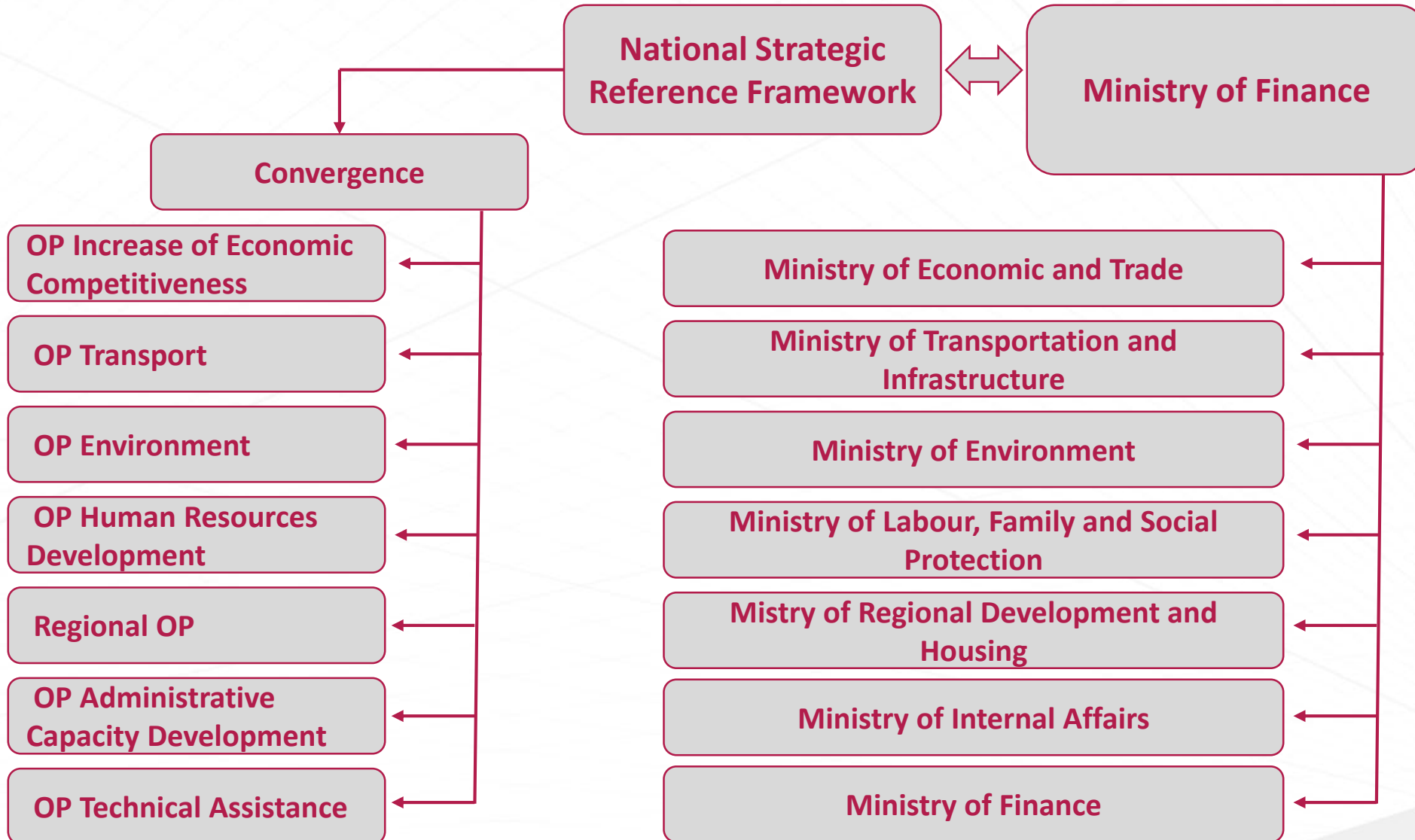
National Strategic Reference Framework 2007-2013 (3)



Institutional structure – Management Authorities



Institutional structure – Management Authorities (2)



Financial Exercise 2014-2020

According to the second version of the Partnership Agreement, the proposed indicative financial allocation to the operational programs:

Operational Program	Indicative financial allocation for 2014-2020	Management Authority
OP Large Infrastructure	9.07 billion EUR	Ministry of European Funds
Regional OP	6.47 billion EUR	Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration
OP Human Capital	3.44 billion EUR	Ministry of European Funds
OP Competitiveness	1.26 billion EUR	Ministry of European Funds
OP Administrative Capacity	0.52 billion EUR	Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration
OP Technical Assistance	0.30 billion EUR	Ministry of European Funds

The implementation of EU funds will be more effective in 2014-2020, due to the simplification of the institutional structure.

Priority Axes 2014-2020

OP Large Infrastructure 2014-2020 - 7 Priority Axis:

Transport:

- **PA1** - TEN-T development in Romania
- **PA2** - Increase regional accessibility by connecting the TEN-T
- **PA3** - Development of a safe and environmentally friendly transport

Environment:

- **PA4** - Protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency
- **PA5** - Protecting and restoring biodiversity, contaminated soil remediation and air quality monitoring
- **PA6** - Promoting climate change adaptation, prevention and management risk

Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency:

- **PA7** - Safe and clean energy for a low carbon economy dioxide carbon

Regional OP 2014-2020 Priority Axis:

- **PA1** Strengthening research, technological development and innovation
- **PA 2** Improving the competitiveness of SMEs
- **PA 3** Energy efficiency in public buildings
- **PA 4** Urban development support
- **PA 5** diversify the local economy through sustainable tourism
- **PA 6** Improving road infrastructure of regional and local
- **PA 7** health and social infrastructure development
- **PA 8** support economic and social regeneration of disadvantaged communities in urban
- **PA 9** Develop educational infrastructure
- **PA 10** Cadastral survey and registration of rural properties in Romania

Priority Axes 2014-2020 (2)

OP Human Capital 2014-2020 Priority Axis:

- **PA 1** The "Jobs for Youth"
- **PA 2** Improving the situation of young people NEET category
- **PA 3** "Jobs for All"
- **PA 4** Social inclusion and combating poverty
- **PA 5** Education and skills
- **PA 6** Technical assistance '

OP Competitiveness 2014-2020 Priority Axis:

- **PA 1** Research, Technological Development and Innovation (RDI) to support economic competitiveness and business development
- **PA 2** Information and Communications Technology (ICT) for competitive digital economy

Priority Axes 2014-2020 (3)

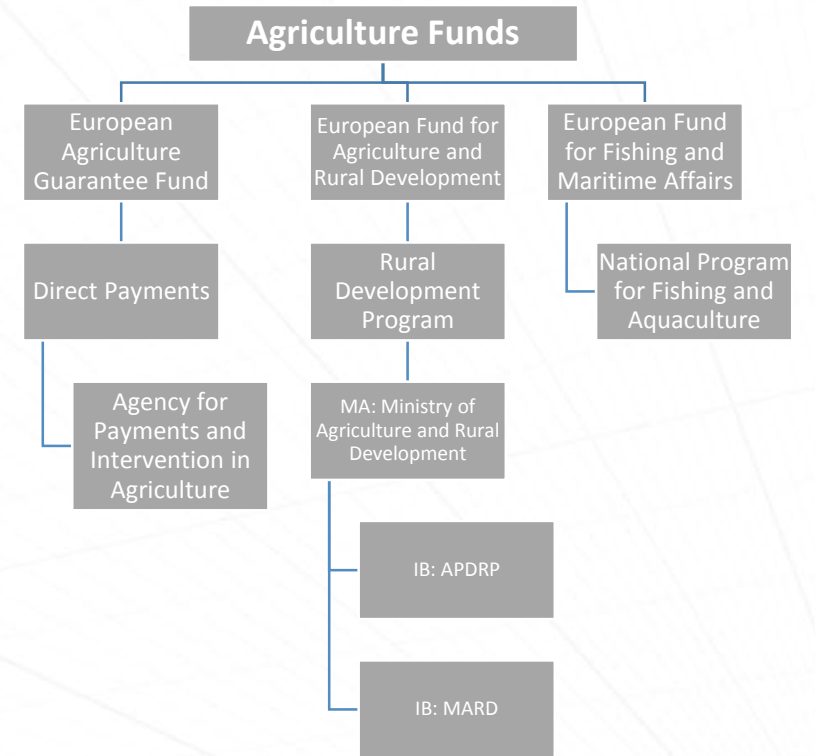
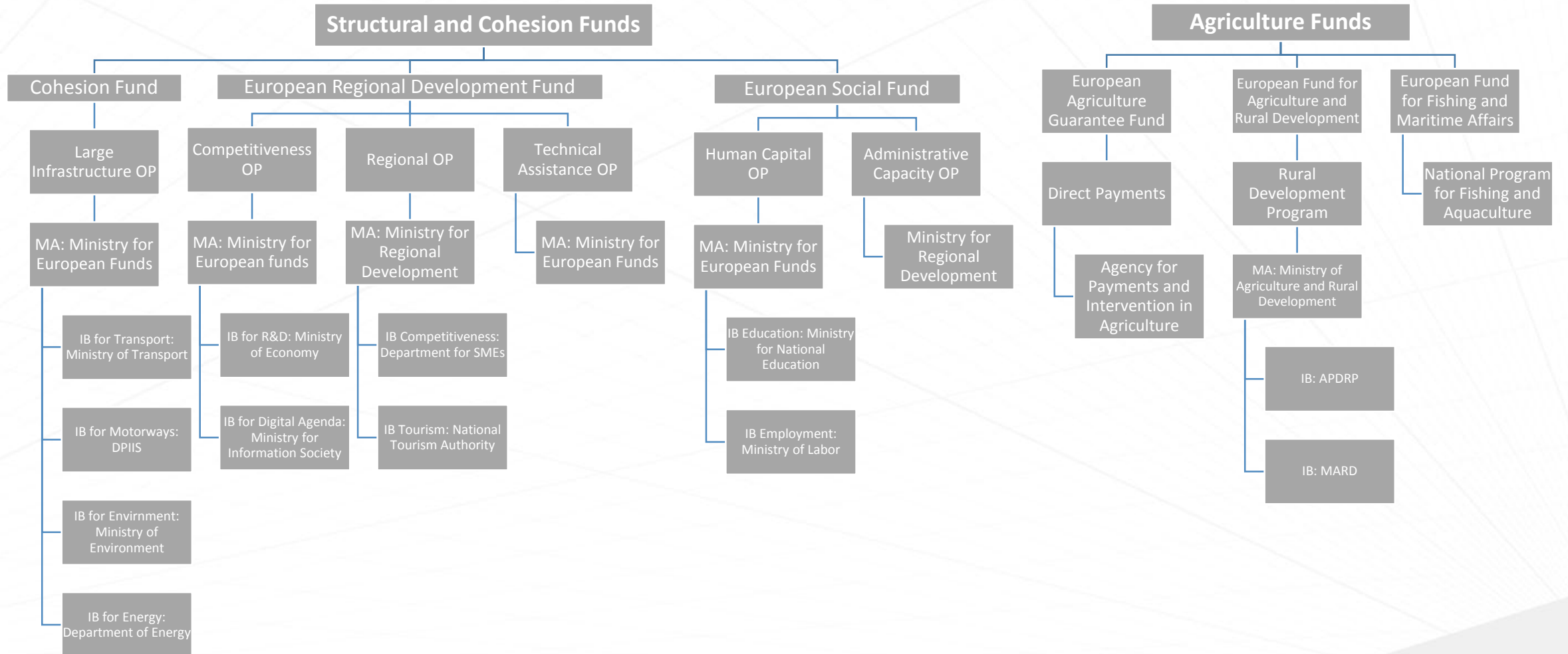
OP Administrative Capacity 2014-2020 Priority Axis:

- **PA 1** Governance, predictive and transparent
 - Improving strategic planning and budgetary authorities and institutions
 - Improving consultative public authorities and institutions and relevant stakeholders
 - Improving human resource management in public authorities and institutions
 - Increased transparency, integrity and accountability of the public authorities and institutions
- **PA 2** Administration accessible
 - Strengthening the management capacity of service delivery offered by public authorities and institutions
 - Accelerating responsiveness of public authorities and institutions to the request

OP Technical Assistance 2014-2020 Priority Axis:

- **PA 1** Capacity of beneficiaries to prepare and implement projects funded ESI and dissemination of information on these funds.
- **PA 2** Support for the coordination, management and control of funds ESI
- **PA 3** The human resources involved in the system of coordination, management and control of funds ESI in Romania
 - **3.1.** Support for the implementation tools needed motivation, accountability and maintenance personnel system coordination, management and control of funds ESI
 - **3.2.** Support for providing highly qualified staff able to implement the ESI funds effectively

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- ✓ Monitoring and intelligence regarding financing opportunities
- ✓ Strategic development modelling and goals assessment
- ✓ Identifying and engaging with key public stakeholders
- ✓ Assistance in project implementation.
- ✓ Elaborating and updating development strategies for future beneficiaries.

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12 years of experience in financial management and business consulting



- ✓ Ex ante analysis of investment project,
- ✓ Eligibility analysis for projects and costs
- ✓ Generating custom specifications for technical, economic and financial data to build a competitive case for the project.
- ✓ Drafting application documents
- ✓ Counsel and representation in relation to contracting authorities
- ✓ Support in project implementation

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