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**Proposed Changes to AIPs - 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

# Main Changes identified in November 2016 (1)

- ▶ To reflect new enhanced ESF Managing Authority
  - ▶ Structural Funds Unit (SFU) incorporated into MA
    - ▶ SFU no longer Intermediate Body
    - ▶ Impact on Cascade
  - ▶ Further Education and Training (FET) Activities (ETB Training for the Unemployed, Adult Literacy, Back to Education Initiative, Youthreach & Momentum)
    - ▶ SOLAS now sole Intermediate Body (except for Momentum)
    - ▶ SOLAS Beneficiary for Momentum (no Intermediate Body)
  - ▶ Higher Education (HE) Activities
    - ▶ Springboard & ICT Skills - HEA Beneficiary (no Intermediate Body)
    - ▶ Third Level Access - HEA sole Intermediate Body

# Main Changes identified in November 2016 (2)

- ▶ Section 8 (Certification Roles) modified for all FET and HE activities to reflect fact that SFU removed from Cascade.
- ▶ Section 11 (Implementation Contacts) modified for a number of activities for a variety of reasons, namely:
  - ▶ SFU removed from Cascade;
  - ▶ Change of Contact Names / Details; and
  - ▶ Departmental Rename (SICAP)
- ▶ ESF 2.4 (Social Inclusion of Prisoners / Ex-Offenders) -  
**Withdrawn**

# New Amendments Proposed - May 2017 (1)

- ▶ Two changes under Section 5 across all activities / AIPs
  - ▶ Amend the title to “*Contribute to Horizontal Principles*”;
  - ▶ Remove Section C (*Social Inclusion*)
- ▶ Two new activities proposed;
  - ▶ ETB Training for the Unemployed (CTCs) under Priority 4; and
  - ▶ Defence Forces Employments Services (under both Priorities 2 & 4)
- ▶ Other changes highlighted in red in note dated 16/05

# New Amendments Proposed - May 2017 (2)

## ▶ Late Changes

- ▶ ESF 2.4 (YPP): Section 11 (Implementation Contact) - change of address;
- ▶ ESF 2.7 (Integration and Employment of Migrants): Section 8 (Payment Roles) - OPMI changed to EU funds Unit;
- ▶ ESF 2.9 (Gender Equality): Numerous changes including:
  - ▶ Overall Object - line removed
  - ▶ Section 3 - changes to text;
  - ▶ Section 8 - Payment Roles changed (to EU Funds Unit)
  - ▶ Section 9 - changes to text