

The Member State compartment under Invest EU

➤ Main provisions (Invest EU proposal)

- Voluntary use of the Invest EU guarantee framework by Member States
- Using ESIF to provision the guarantee (expected loss)
- To address market failures / suboptimal investment situations
- Max 5% of ESIF budget

➤ Main Benefits

- No co-financing required from Managing Authority
- Facilitate ESIF absorption (stand-alone instrument with a project portfolio approach, national or regional level deployment)
- More flexibility in terms of instrument management (off the shelf guarantee agreements if desired, tailor-made instruments also possible, less restrictive approach for state aid)

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➤ ELTI Position

Make sure the Member State compartment is **appealing** and **flexible** for Managing Authorities and Member States :

- Better capture Managing Authorities in the Invest EU text + including a reference to ring fenced operations in case of Regional contribution
- Ensure flexibility for the design of the guarantee :
 - Possibility to have NPBIs, or private investors as counter guarantor (for unexpected loss) as an alternative to Member States
 - Possibility to counter-guarantee ESIF contribution if desired
- The 5 % cap on ESIF use in the Member State compartment is unclear: should be applicable to the 7 year-period and not be an annual cap (with less funding in case of mid term implementation)