Working Together for a Green, Competitive and Inclusive Europe

EUR 502.5 million has been allocated to a number of cooperation programmes with Romania through the EEA and Norway Grants. These programmes are designed to strengthen cooperation between Norway and Romania and to promote social and economic development in Romania.

Business development, research, justice and home affairs, as well as energy and environment are key areas for cooperation between Norway and Romania. There will also be a joint effort to create equal opportunities and improve the living conditions for the Roma population.

A total of sixteen Norwegian government agencies and institutions will be involved in implementing these programmes and in recruiting Norwegian project partners.

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**EUR 106.4 million**
Business and research

**EUR 70 million**
Local development and inclusion of Roma

**EUR 72.7 million**
Justice and home affairs

**EUR 82.8 million**
Energy and climate change

- **3 May 2016**
  Agreement on the EEA and Norway Grants for 2014-21 signed between Norway and the EU

- **June to September**
  Negotiations between Norway and Romania

- **13 October**
  Signing of agreement between Norway and Romania

- **From October**
  Development of programmes and open calls for proposals

- **By 2020**
  Reallocation of reserve

- **30 April 2024**
  Completion of the 2014-2021 funding period
THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS

The EEA and Norway Grants have their basis in the EEA Agreement. Under the Agreement, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway are part of the EU’s internal market. The EEA Agreement sets out the common goal of working together to reduce social and economic disparities in Europe and strengthen cooperation between donor and beneficiary countries. Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway have allocated EUR 2.8 billion to 15 EU countries for this purpose over a period of seven years. Norway provides just under 98 % of this amount.

The EEA and Norway Grants are an important tool in the Norwegian Government’s active European policy, which seeks to promote a green, competitive and inclusive Europe.

FUNDING TO ROMANIA UNDER THE EEA AND NORWAY GRANTS

Romania has received funding under the EEA and Norway Grants since the country became an EU member in 2007.