



# EURADA

## European Association of Development Agencies

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# Regional Development Agencies in Europe

## What is a development agency?

Development Agencies are mainly public entities:

- carrying out an economic development mission characterised by the search and promotion of the overall interest of an area (and not corporative or sectorial);
- significantly liaising with a local, metropolitan or regional authority with respect to management, financing or mission.





## EURADA Network at European level

EURADA  
Secretariat

66  
members

21  
countries

140  
MI persons



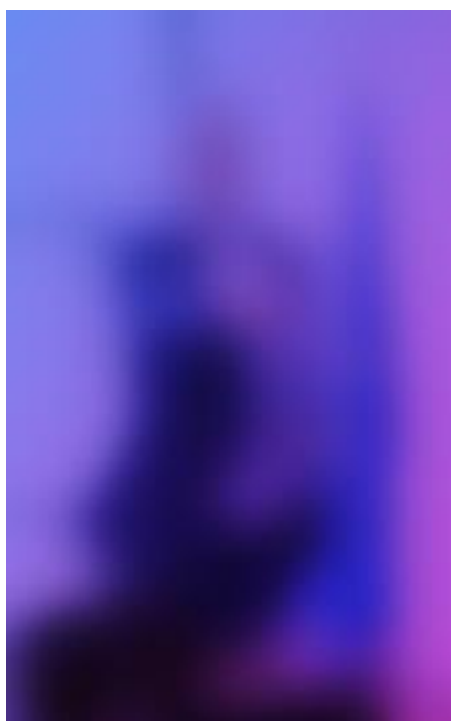
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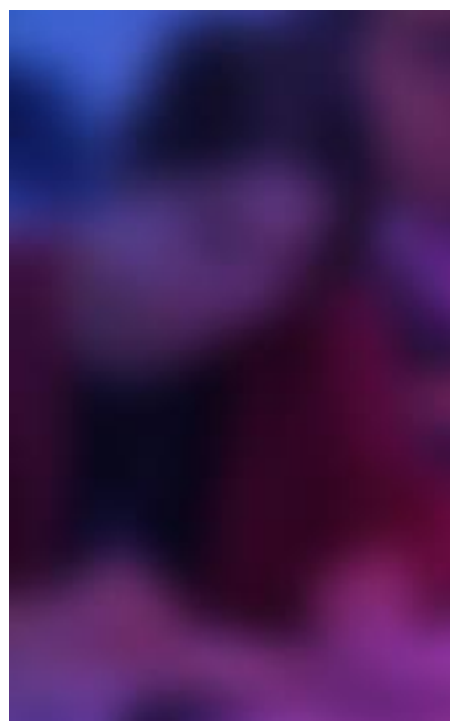
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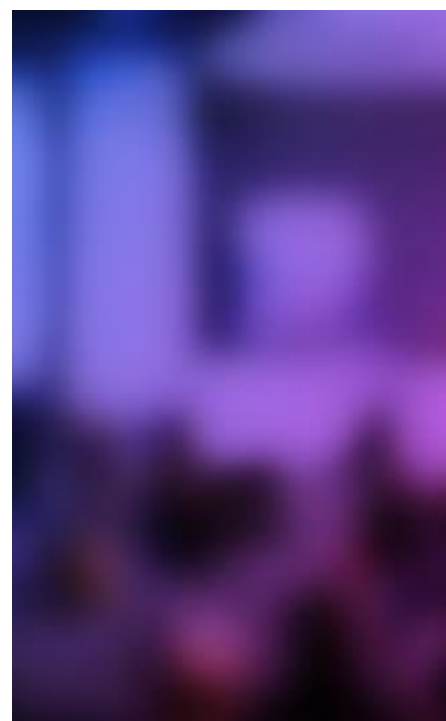
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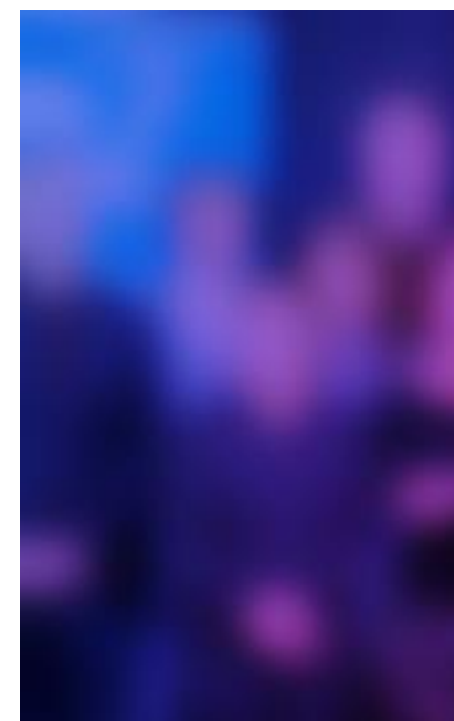
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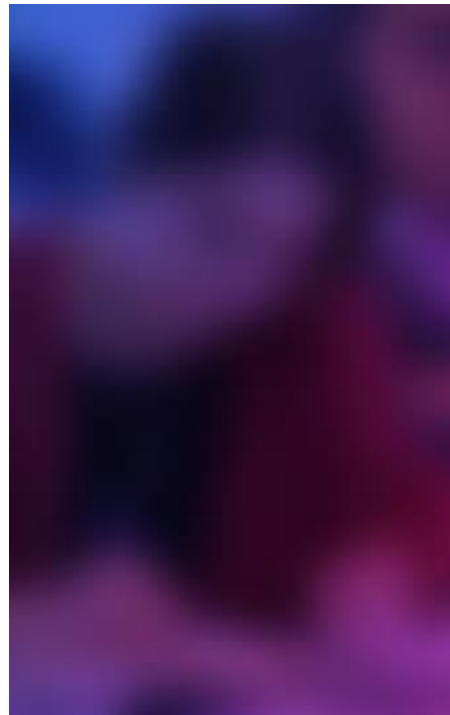
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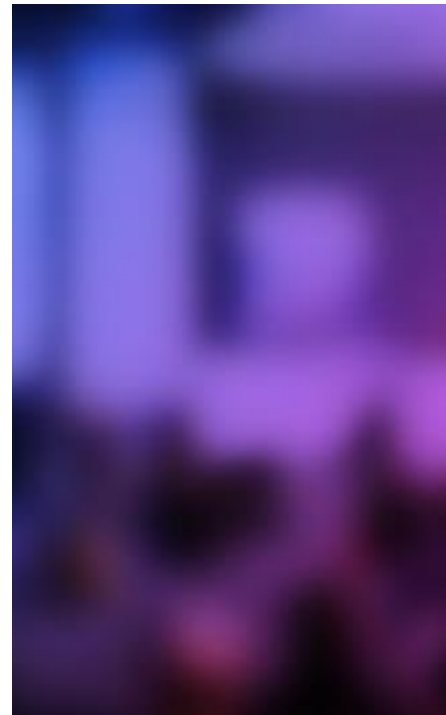
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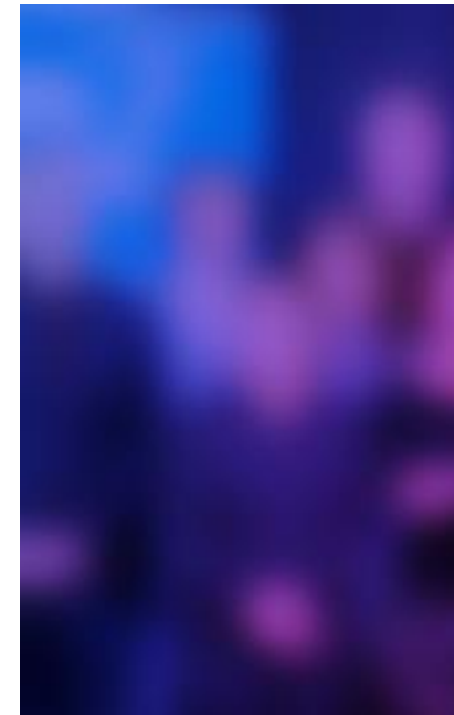
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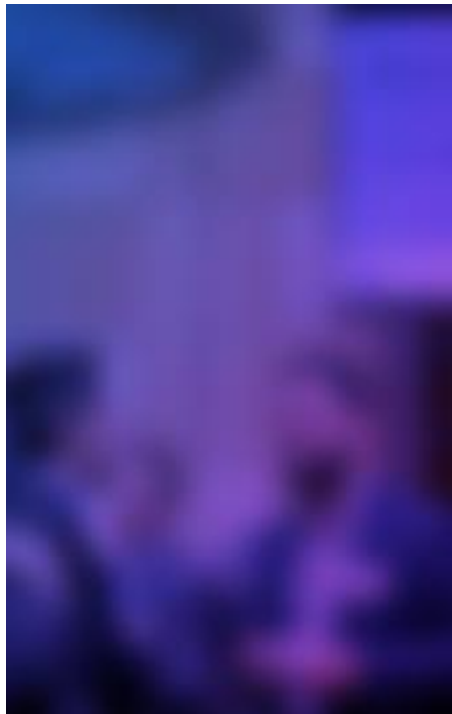
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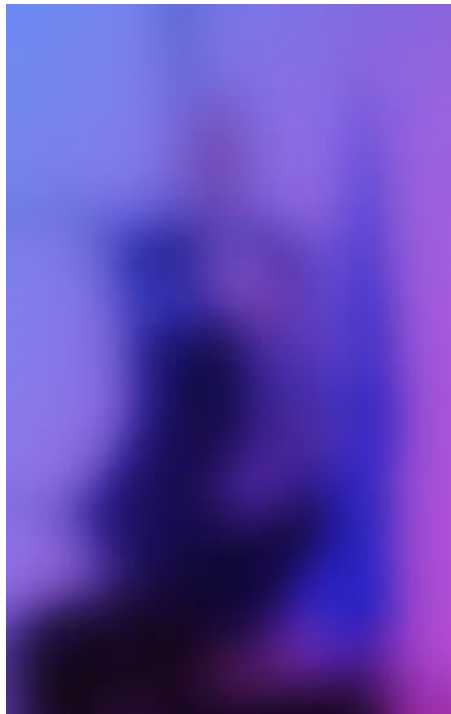
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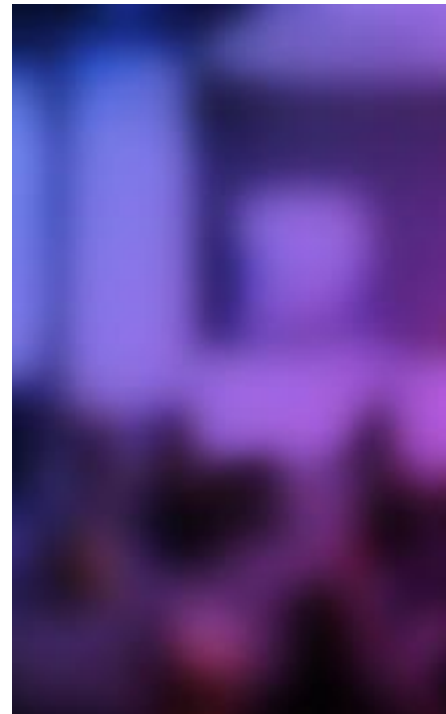
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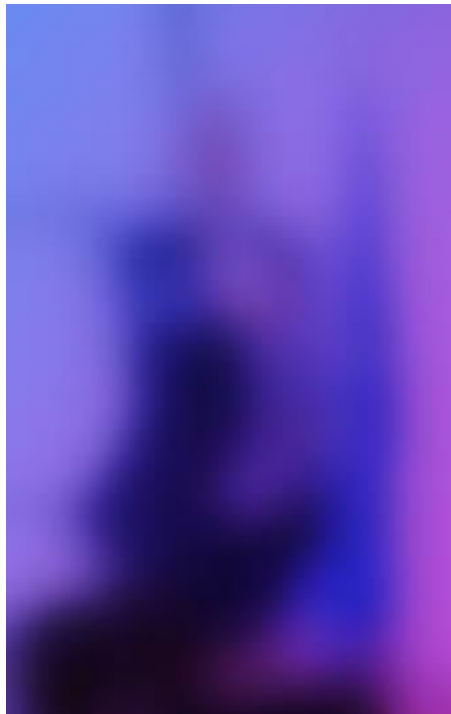
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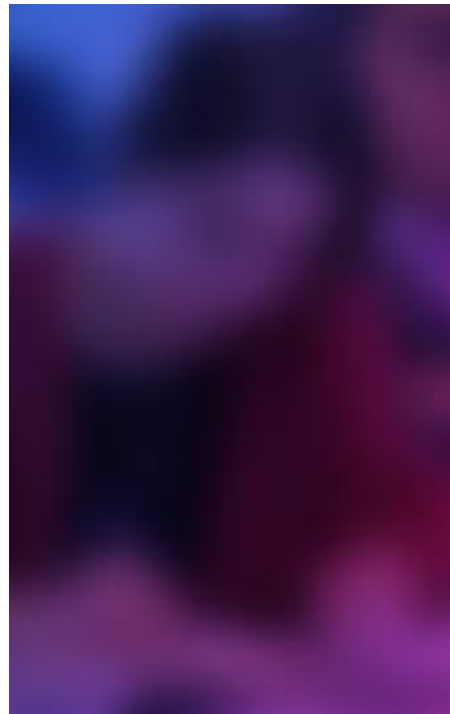
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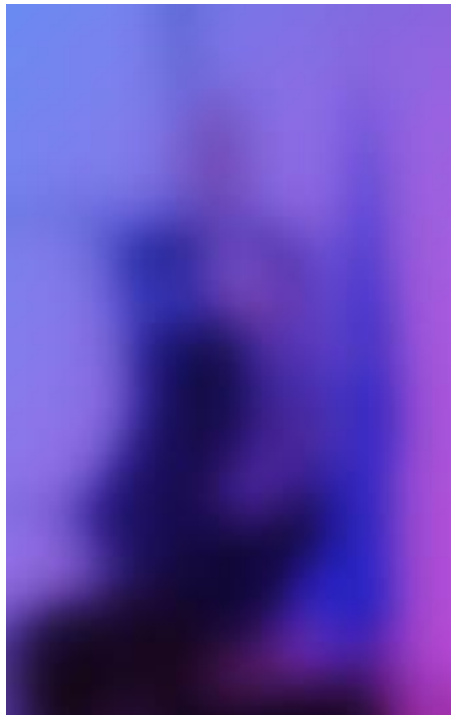
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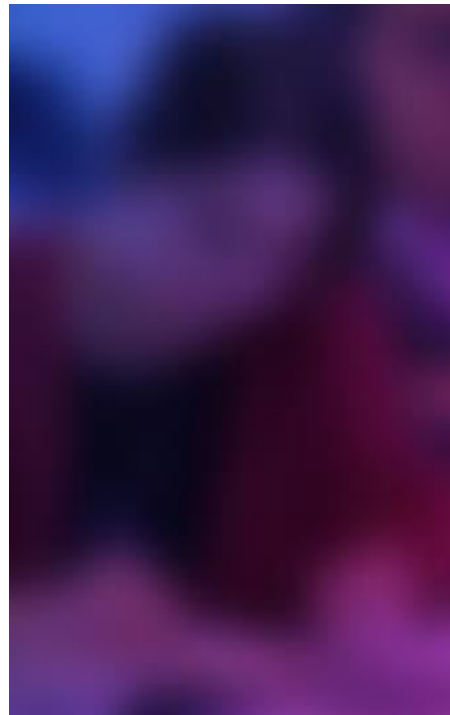
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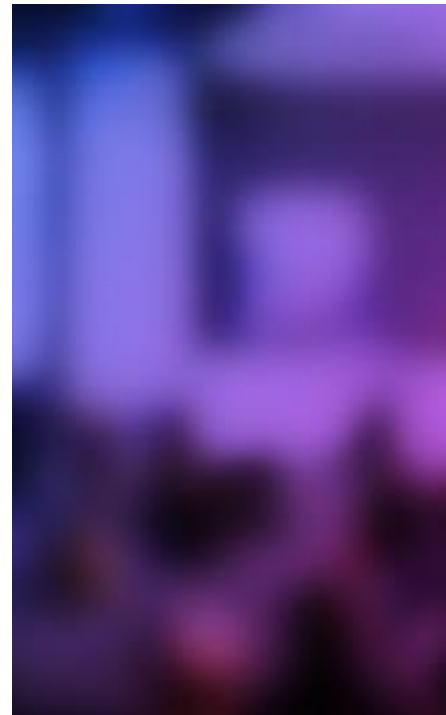
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## 2

## Use of structural funds for COVID-19 economic response



During the months of March and April  
most of the efforts have been to  
**guarantee liquidity and  
employment**







### Moratorium of payments

Andalusian Public Fund for  
Business Financing and  
Economic Development and the  
Jeremie Fund



### Other actions

- 36 M€ in a fund for guarantees to small business, to leverage 500M in loans(<50.000€)
- 20 M€ in guarantees to the financial system to facilitated 100 M€ in Loans (>300.000€)
- Defer payments of companies hosted
- R&I call
- Digital transformation: teleworking
- 51 M€ Grants to cover guarantees financial cost



### 90 M€ from the region for loans, credit and grants

- SME and self employees with lower turnover
- Social economy and solidarity
- Working capital for SMEs
- Support to associations



### Other actions

- Platform to link industrial initiatives to meet medical needs
- Call for proposals (AMI Flash) for research and innovation projects



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### Change on credit conditions

- To secure liquidity in SME companies and to maintain jobs.
- Additional 6-month in the repayment of loan capital instalments
- 4-month of loan delay in the repayment of capital and interest instalments.



### Other services

- Specific services to the regional companies supporting investors, attraction foreign direct investments
- Strong economic branding of the region.
- IPR protection, innovation funds, R&D cooperation



### Extended period for project submission

Extended the project submission period for the call for enterprises (priority axis 9) until 31st of July



### Other actions

- Contributing to the sustainable and equitable development of the Centre Region
- Elaborates the regional development plan and manages as intermediate body the European Regional Development funds



# 3

## Conclusions

- Regional Development Agencies are using own resources and ESIF for COVID-19 response
- CRII is good initiative, However Cohesion policy does not have yet the flexibility for urgent economic response
- Need to rethink our management to have more flexibility with the use of ICT we could have easier reprogramming, monitoring, impact evaluation, etc.





**EURADA is the unique European club of economic developers able to bridge local and regional development agencies with Europe and its opportunities.**

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