



Ministry of Housing,  
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# East and South Midlands roundtables on the UKSPF

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**Loughborough University**

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# Welcome & Introduction



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### ESIF Latest Position

March EU Council – endorsement of the latest draft of the Withdrawal Agreement reached between the UK Government and the European Union (EU).

Means **subject to final agreement** UK will continue to participate in ESIF programmes in the 2014-20 funding period (up to 2023) and seek to spend their full value, consistent with sound financial management.

Business as Usual subject to final agreement.



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European Structural Investment Fund Managing Authorities will continue to award funding to approved projects, taking account of the full value of programme allocations.

Managing Authorities and Intermediate Bodies will maintain their core current roles and continue to work in partnership during the 2014-20 programme period, to maximise efficient and effective delivery and programme outcomes.

Communities and businesses will continue to benefit from investment from these programmes over the coming years, supporting local economic plans and jobs and growth in all parts of the country.

Final agreement will allow ESIFs to work with partners in preparation for launch of UKSPF.



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### Future of Local Growth Funding & UKSPF Overview

Industrial Strategy set out a commitment to **tackle the challenges of low productivity and inequality** in the UK and **the importance of places** in meeting these challenges.

**Ensuring institutions can develop long term strategies for growth to help guide the UKSPF investments in places.**

The Conservative Manifesto committed the **UK Shared Prosperity Fund** to being;

- 'A domestic fund'
- 'Designed to boost productivity and reduce inequalities'
- 'Driven by UK priorities'
- 'Cheap to administer and low in bureaucracy'



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## Feedback & Next Steps



### Feedback & final questions

### Next steps

- There will be a **series of local roundtables on the UKSPF** taking place across the English regions.
- In the meantime we continue to **welcome engagement with stakeholders** throughout the policy development process. You can contact us at [ukspf.engagement@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:ukspf.engagement@communities.gsi.gov.uk).
- We will engage in a full public **consultation later this year**.



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**Thank you for attending**

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