Should YEI indicators be included in the performance framework?

The YEI is to be included in the performance framework as it has not been excluded from it in Article 22 (1) CPR. As set out in Art. 4(1) of the Commission Implementing Regulation on the Performance framework (Regulation (EU) No 215/2014):

"The bodies preparing programmes shall record information on the methodologies and criteria applied to select indicators for the performance framework to ensure that corresponding milestones and targets comply with the conditions set out in paragraph 3 of Annex II of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 for all programmes and priorities supported by the ESI Funds, as well as the specific allocation to the Youth Employment Initiative ('YEI') as referred to in Article 16 of Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council, subject to the exceptions set out in paragraph 1 of Annex II of that Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013.".

The resources for the YEI are, however, excluded for the purpose of calculating the performance reserve (Art. 20 of the Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013). For the YEI the milestones set for 2018 correspond in value to the target for 2023 as the YEI is frontloaded (the YEI specific allocation is committed in 2014 and 2015).

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