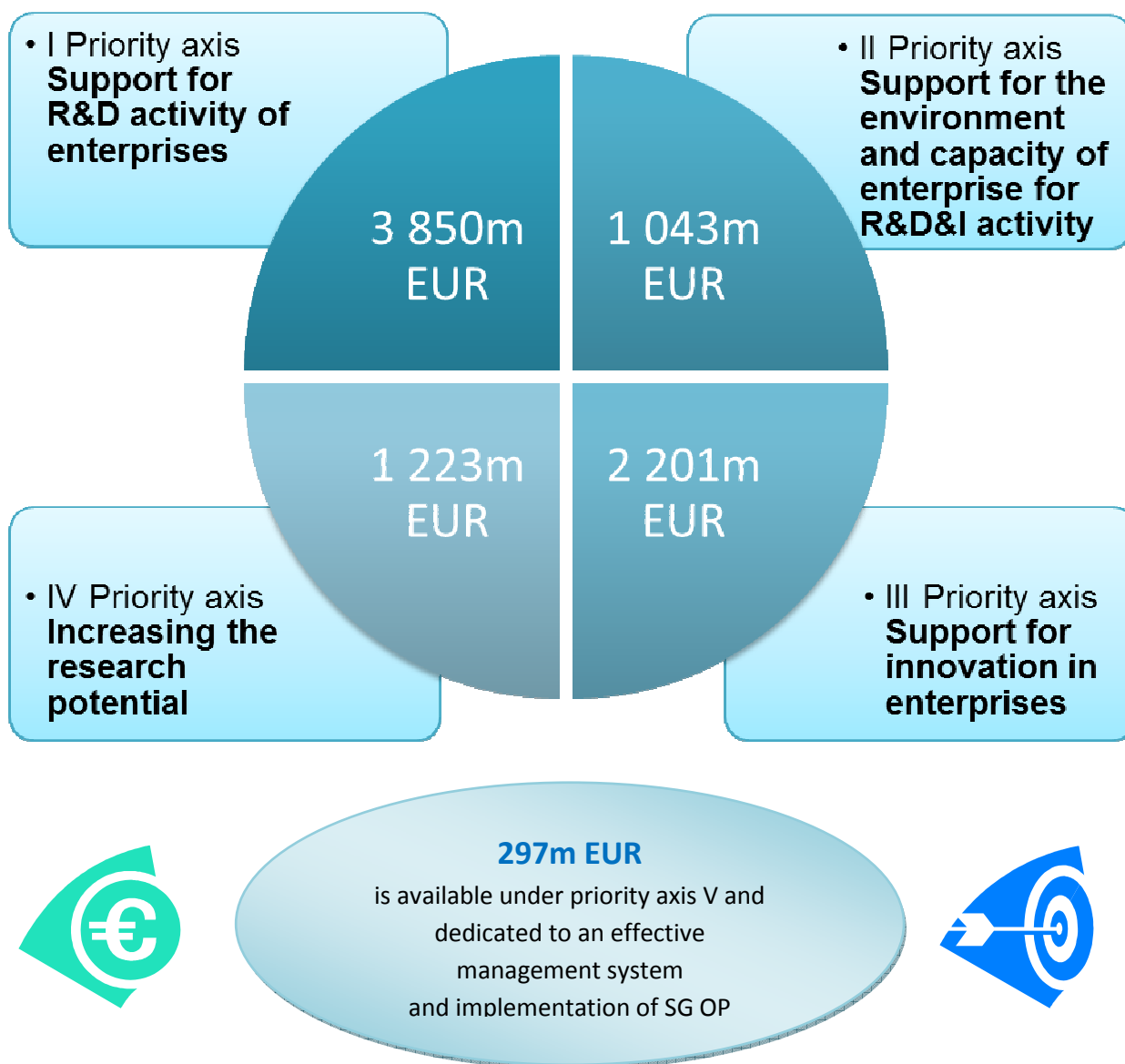


## CITIZEN'S SUMMARY OF THE CONTENTS OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF SMART GROWTH OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME

Smart Growth Operational Programme in figures:

### ALLOCATION UNDER SG OP



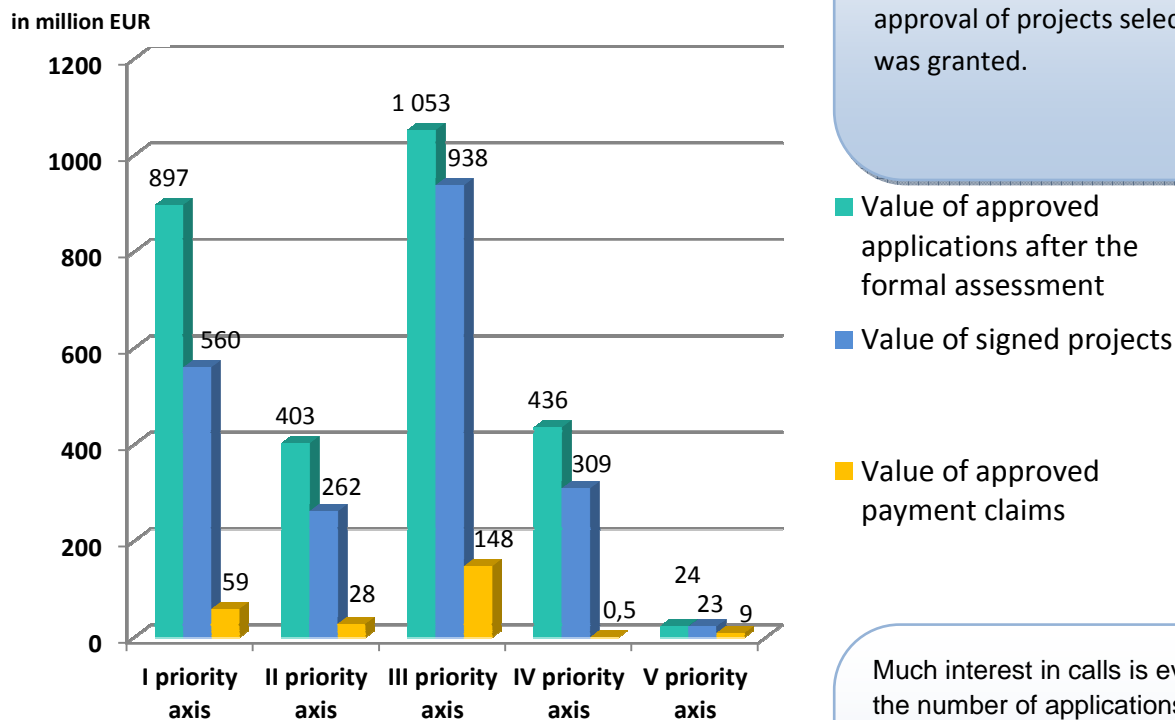
### STATE OF IMPLEMENTATION UP TO 2016

➤ concerns all priority axis in SG OP

By the end of 2016, **964** agreements were signed with the amount of EU co-financing - **2 093** million EUR  
and **1 623** applications were approved with the amount of EU co-financing - **2 811** million EUR

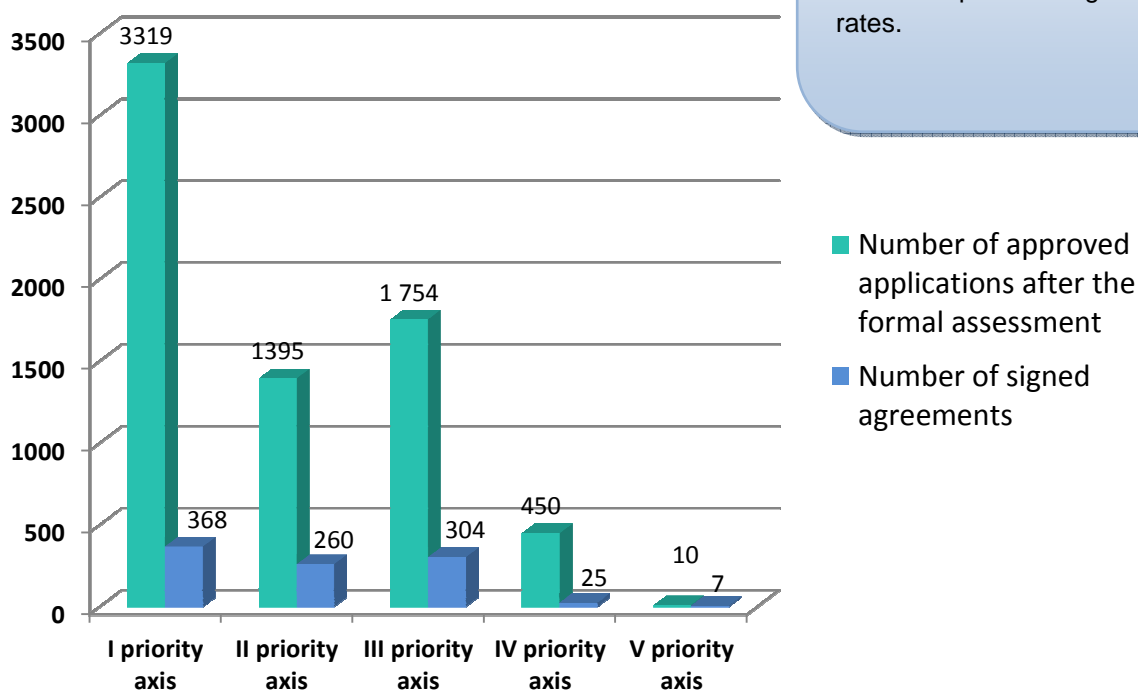
➤ **division into priority axis**

**Chart 1. Value of funds involved (EU contribution)**



2016 was very active in terms of performed calls, approved applications and signed agreements, while in the previous year the SG OP implementation system was being prepared and the approval of projects selection criteria was granted.

**Chart 2. Number of applications/agreements**



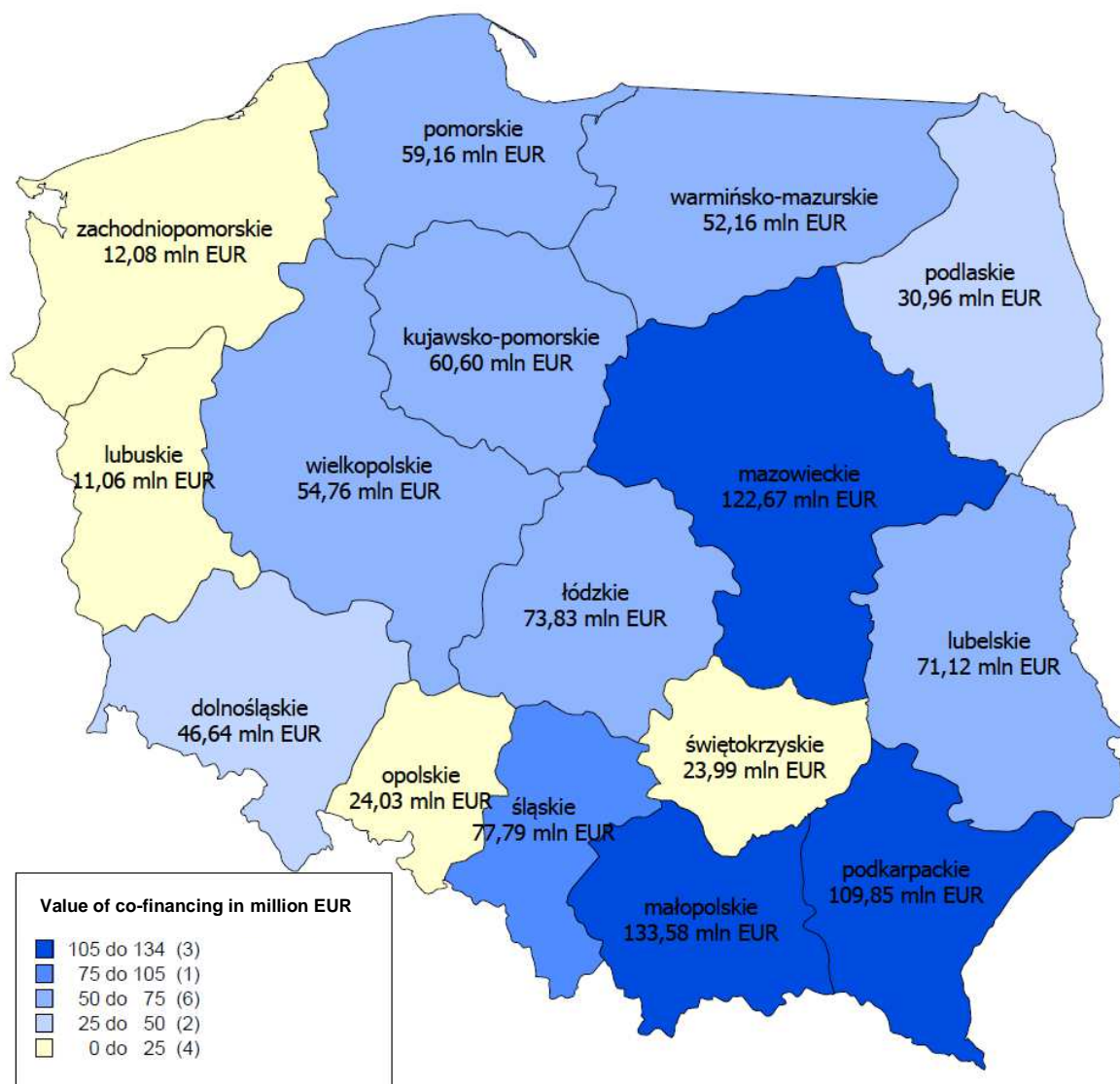
Much interest in calls is evident in the number of applications after the formal assessment.

Unfortunately, under the SG OP there is a low *success rate* for EU funds compared to high interest rates.

**If by the end of 2016 all applications after the formal assessment had been approved for co-financing, then the allocation for the entire Programme would have been fully consumed in 2016!**

➤ **by voivodeships**

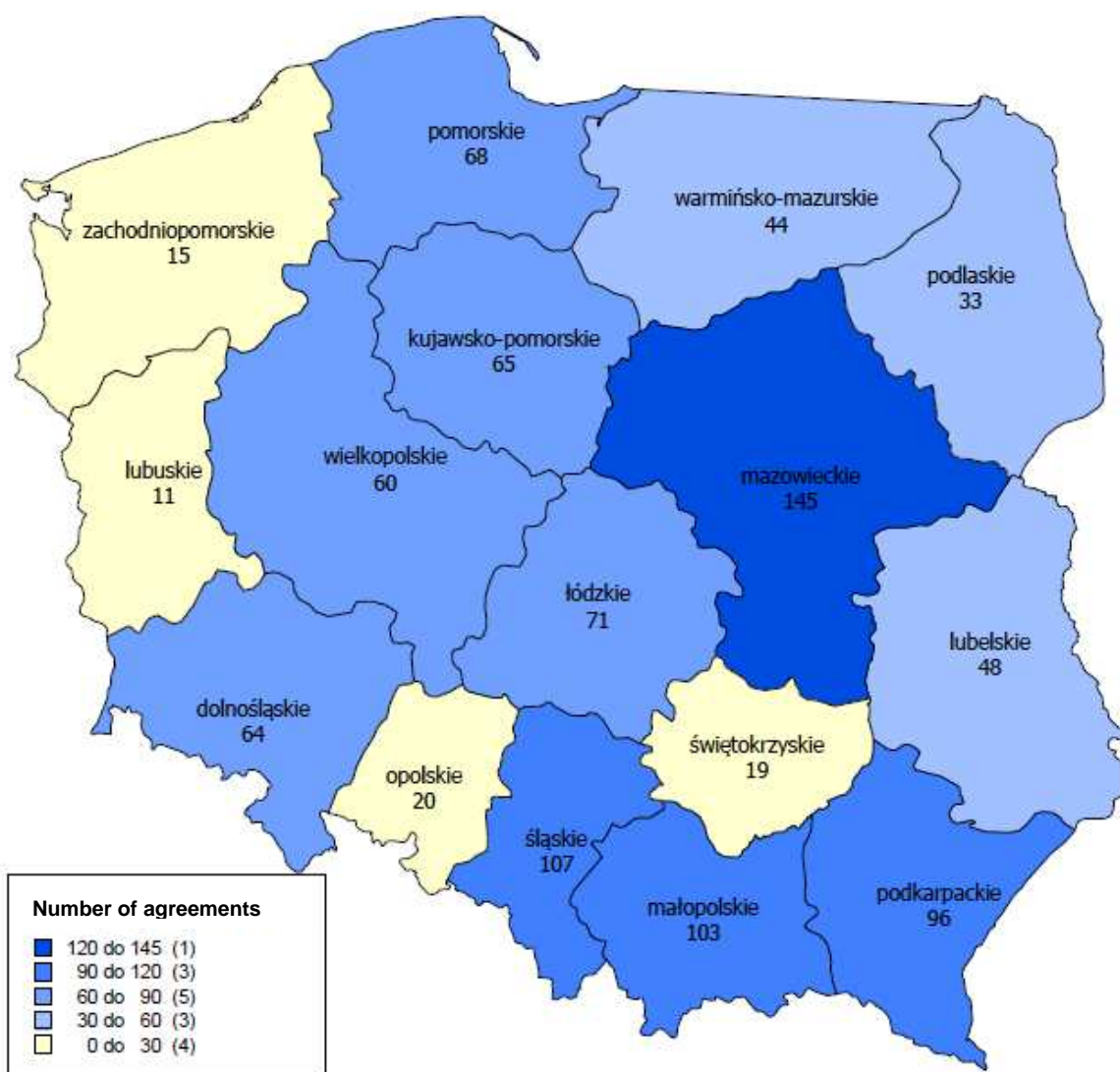
**Map 1. Value of co-financing agreements signed in individual voivodeships (EU contribution)**



This map presents only the funds under the co-financing agreements which could be assigned to particular voivodeships. In this case the value of projects implemented throughout the country was not included.

Under the SG OP, the projects are co-financed from two envelopes (for Mazowieckie voivodship and for other voivodeships). Taking into account the co-financing value of signed agreements, the value of co-financing for projects implemented in Mazowieckie voivodeship equals 15% of funds allocated to all voivodeships. Given the value of all voivodeships co-financing projects from Mazowieckie, Podkarpackie, Małopolskie and Śląskie voivodship received in total 46%.

**Map 2. Number of co-financing agreements signed in individual voivodships**

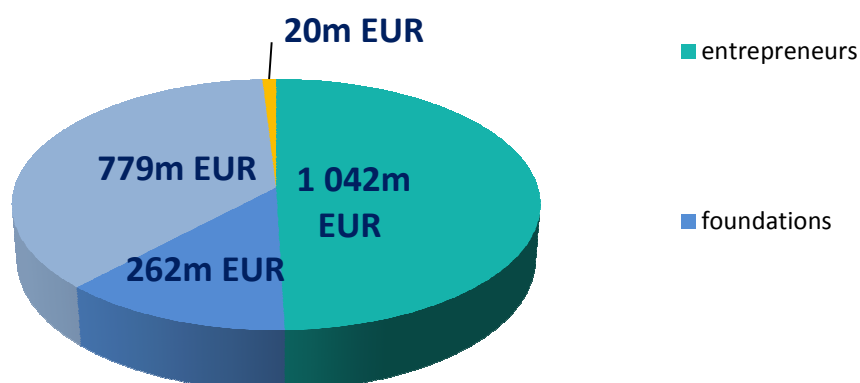


In particular the above map presents data on signed co-financing agreements but it also presents a trend towards the most active voivodships in terms of effective application for EU funds (Mazowieckie, Śląskie, Małopolskie and Podkarpackie voivodeship 47% of all contracts). The lowest level of signed agreements is observed in Zachodniopomorskie, Lubuskie, Opole and Świętokrzyskie voivodeship (7% of all agreements).

## RECIPIENTS OF SG OP SUPPORT

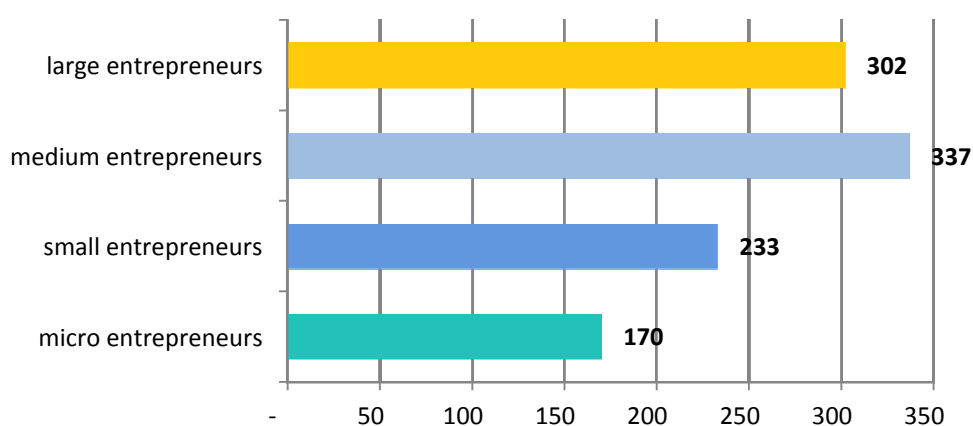
### ➤ The beneficiaries of the projects by the end of 2016:

Chart 3. Value of signed agreements in million EUR



The chart shows that **entrepreneurs** have received the highest value of co-financing. However, the funds transferred to the governmental administration and the state organizational units are also finally dedicated to entrepreneurs (support within **grant projects and financial instruments**). In case of foundations - *the Foundation for Polish Science* implements 4 grant projects within IV axis.

Chart 4. Value of signed agreements in million EUR – only entrepreneurs



million EUR

**Chart 5. Number of signed agreements in million EUR – only entrepreneurs**

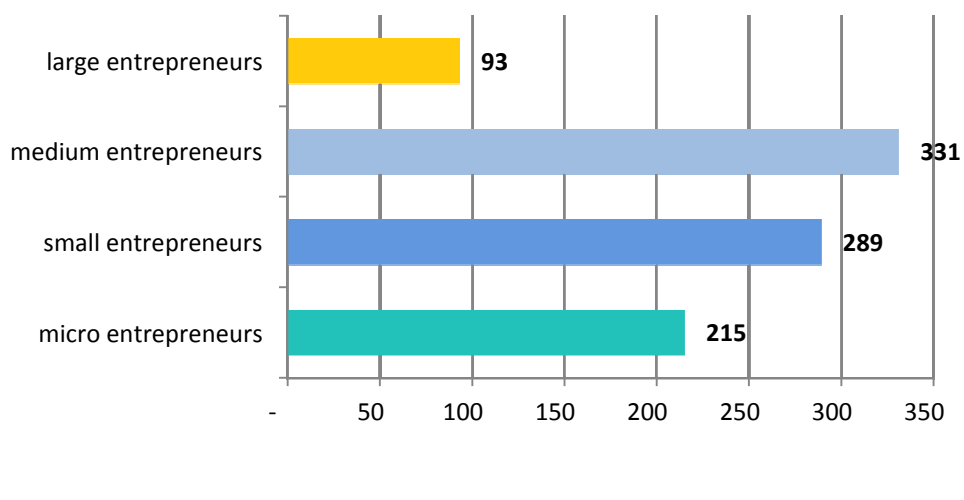


Chart no. 4 and 5 present the effectiveness of applying for EU funds by entrepreneurs. SMEs are the most active target group of support in SG OP. The largest number of calls is also dedicated for this particular group. In total 835 agreements were signed with the beneficiaries of the SME sector (87% of all agreements signed in 2016 under the SG OP).

#### **INFORMATION ABOUT THE SG OP**

- <https://www.poir.gov.pl>
- Effects and financial data concerning the SG OP implementation are collected in the Central ICT System. The data presented above has been prepared based on the Central ICT System as of the end of December 2016.