**Expert in Monitoring and Evaluation**

**Evaluation of Green Budgeting technical support project**

**Duty station:** remote

**Contract type:** service contract

**Duration:** 30 months

**Total number of working days:** 30 days

**Financing Authority:** Task Force for Reform and Investment (SG REFORM) of the European Commission.

**Implementing Partner:** Expertise France

**Deadline for application is:** September 25, 2025

**Mission Description:** In the framework of the project Implementing Effective Green Budgeting practices, Expertise France (EF) is recruiting a Monitoring & Evaluation expert with experience in EU-financed projects and knowledge of latest policy developments in green budgeting practices at EU level.

The expert will collect qualitative and quantitative data throughout the implementation of the project and use this data to conduct a final evaluation of the project. The expert(s) will collaborate with Expertise France´s Project Management team, policy officers from the Task Force for Reform and Investment (SG REFORM), technical experts and focal points from the Beneficiary Authorities.

Project and Country-specific context:

Green Budgeting aims to align sustainability objectives by systematically identifying, assessing, and reporting expenditures and revenues that impact climate and environmental goals. This reform initiative enhances transparency, policy coherence, and informed decision-making, supporting the transition to a sustainable and resilient economy.

The reformed **EU Economic Governance Framework**, which entered into force in April 2024, aims to ensure sound and sustainable public finances while promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth. The reform introduces medium-term fiscal structural plans, requiring Member States to outline fiscal, structural, and investment policies over a 4–5-year horizon, with a macroeconomic outlook spanning up to seven years for reforms and investments. This framework aligns public finances with country-specific challenges and EU priorities, including the European Green Deal.

The recently adopted **EU Directive 2024/1265[[1]](#footnote-1)** and the new **EU Economic Governance Framework** emphasize the importance of aligning fiscal policies with sustainability and climate objectives. The Directive requires Member States to report on macro-fiscal risks arising from climate change, climate-related contingent liabilities, and fiscal costs of disasters.

The **Green Deal Communication**, the **Fit for 55 package[[2]](#footnote-2)**, and the **reformed EU Economic Governance Framework** set an ambitious policy context for addressing climate change, emphasizing the need to align public finances with climate and environmental objectives. Green Budgeting is critical to achieving these goals.

Between 2021 and 2024, the Commission implemented the **Green Budgeting Training Programme[[3]](#footnote-3)**, a multi-country technical support project under the Technical Support Instrument (TSI). This program, based on the European Union Green Budgeting Reference Framework, provided capacity-building in Green Budgeting to 23 Member States. It consisted of four modules covering foundational principles, tagging methodologies, environmental impact assessments, and peer-to-peer exchanges. The program:

* Trained approximately 1,200 participants.
* Enabled Member States to develop and implement Green Budgeting frameworks at the national level.
* Fostered cross-border collaboration and established a community of Green Budgeting Practitioners among public officials across the EU.

**Implementing Effective Green Budgeting practices**

These technical support needs shall be addressed in the framework of this new project for Implementing Effective Green Budgeting practices. The Beneficiary Authorities are facing unique challenges in implementing green budgeting practices. Each country has its own specific challenges, such as developing tagging methodologies, institutionalizing green budgeting, and integrating environmental impact assessments into budgeting processes. Despite progress made, each country require technical support to address gaps in capacity, governance, and data management, and to refine methodologies for identifying and categorizing green expenditures. The countries will benefit from the action through tailored support as well as common activities to share experiences, develop and strengthen methodologies, and foster cross-border collaboration.

Croatia, Czech Republic, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Ireland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia and Spain have requested support from the European Commission under Regulation (EU) 2021/240 establishing a Technical Support Instrument ("TSI Regulation"). The request for technical support was assessed by the European Commission in accordance with the criteria and principles referred to in Article 9 of the TSI Regulation and was selected for funding.

The national authorities that requested technical support and will benefit from this Project are:

• Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia (Ministarstvo financija)

• Ministry of Finance of Cyprus

• Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic (Ministerstvo financí České republiky)

• Ministry of Finance of Denmark (Finansministeriet)

• General Direction for Public Finances and Budget Directorate, Ministry of Economics, Finance and Industrial and Digital Sovereignty (Direction Générale des Finances Publiques (DGFiP) and Direction du Budget (Ministère de l’Économie, des Finances et de l’Industrie)

• Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, Department of Finance of Ireland (An Roinn Caiteachais Phoiblí, Bonneagair, Seirbhísí Poiblí, Athchóirithe agus Digiteachaithe)

• Office for Economic Policy and International Affairs, Ministry of Finance (Gabinete de Planeamento, Estratégia, Avaliação e Relações Internacionais (GPEARI) – Ministério das Finanças)

• Ministry of Environment of Slovakia (Ministerstvo životného prostredia Slovenskej republiky)

• Ministry of Finance of Slovenia (Ministrstvo za finance)

• Ministry of Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge of Spain (Ministerio para la Transición Ecológica y el Reto Demográfico)

This project has two strands of technical support:

1. Five Standalone Requests: These focus on tailored technical support for implementing Green Budgeting practices at the national level in Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, France (sub-national), and Portugal. The support includes developing methodologies for tagging climate-relevant expenditures, enhancing governance frameworks, and building capacity within national ministries.
2. Civil Servants Exchange: This component facilitates knowledge-sharing and capacity-building among Member States. It includes participation from the five standalone project beneficiaries (Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, France, and Portugal) as well as Croatia, Ireland, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Spain.

**Deliverables and work plan**

***Note: the precise timeframe for the activities will be agreed between the selected Expert(s) and the project team.***

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| **Outputs and estimated timeframe**  | **Activities** |
| Concept note of the monitoring and evaluation plan October 2025- January 2026 | Producing a brief concept note outlining the data collection plan. To produce this Output, the designated expert will undertake the following activities:* Meetings with project team to agree on relevant sources of information and criteria to evaluate results;
* Propose an evaluation methodology;
* Draft the concept note.
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| Evaluation reportFebruary 2026- March 2028 | Produce an evaluation report, including: * Project results (based on the agreed evaluation criteria, e.g. relevance, effectiveness and coherence);
* Lessons learned and recommendations.

To produce this Output, the designated expert will undertake the following activities:* Collect data during the implementation of the project;
* Submit a draft of the report two months before final conference;
* Integrate EF project team and SG REFORM feedback;
* Submit the final version of the report after the final conference.
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| Final conference presentationJanuary-February 2028 | Participate in the final conference by presenting the key findings of the evaluation up to Q4 2027. |

**Desired profile**

* Bachelor or Master’s in public policy, political science, EU governance, other relevant fields with at least 5 years of professional experience in the outlined areas;
* Experience with evaluating in projects financed by the European Commission;
* Knowledge of green budgeting national and subnational level and PFM practices context is an asset;
* Track record in strategic engagement with multidisciplinary teams, and with senior-level government, private sector, and/or international cooperation partners;
* Fluency in French and English.
1. https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:L\_202401265 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/policies/fit-for-55/ [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. <https://reform-support.ec.europa.eu/what-we-do/revenue-administration-and-public-financial-management/supporting-implementation-green-budgeting-practices-eu_en> [↑](#footnote-ref-3)