**TEMPLATE FOR CASE STUDY**

1. **BACKGROUND** - ***Who are you and what is your experience with*** [***European Structural and Investment Funds***](https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes/overview-funding-programmes/european-structural-and-investment-funds_en) ***(ESIF) funds? (These funds include*** [**European social fund,** [**European regional development fund**](http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/erdf/) **and** [**Cohesion fund**](http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/cohesion-fund/)**)**](http://ec.europa.eu/esf/home.jsp?langId=en)  ***(max. 1500 characters)*** 
   1. Describe your organization: including type of service(s) provided, to which target group and size of the organization (n° staff, which country/region).
   2. Is your organization / specific activities in your organization receiving ESIF funding?
2. **PROJECT FUNDING NEEDS** - ***What are your main ESIF funding needs to help you respond to the COVID-19 crisis? (max. 2000 characters)*** 
   1. For which projects would you need EU funding to help your organisation’s response to COVID-19 crisis? (buying protective equipment, covering additional staff-related costs, buying ICT equipment, organizing new forms of services, ensuring continuity of service provision, etc)
   2. Why is EU funding needed?
   3. What amounts would you need (in €) and for what?
   4. When would you need such funding and for how long?
3. **CURRENT EXPERIENCE WITH ESIF FUNDS – what are the current opportunities & barriers in accessing ESIF Funds during COVID-19 crisis? *(max. 2000 characters)***
   1. Have you tried to access EU funds during the last 2-3 months to help you respond to COVID-19 crisis? Have you engaged with your Managing Authority? What has been the outcome?
   2. Will you try to access EU funds to help you respond to COVID-19 crisis in the near future?
   3. What is needed to facilitate your access to EU funds during COVID-19 crisis?
   4. What practical questions would you like to ask Managing Authorities and the European Commission?