



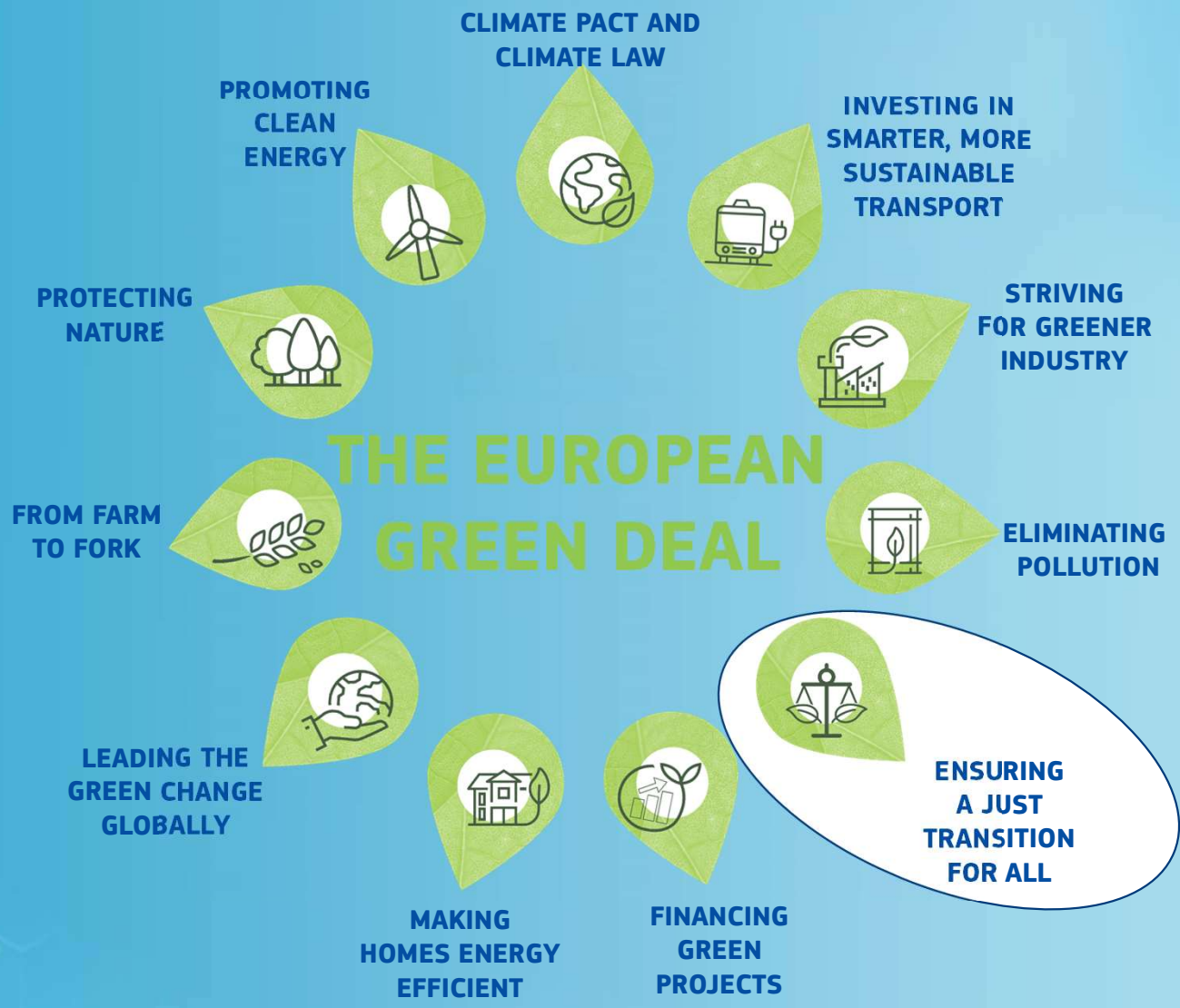
Just Transition Fund

Context and opportunities for CCS

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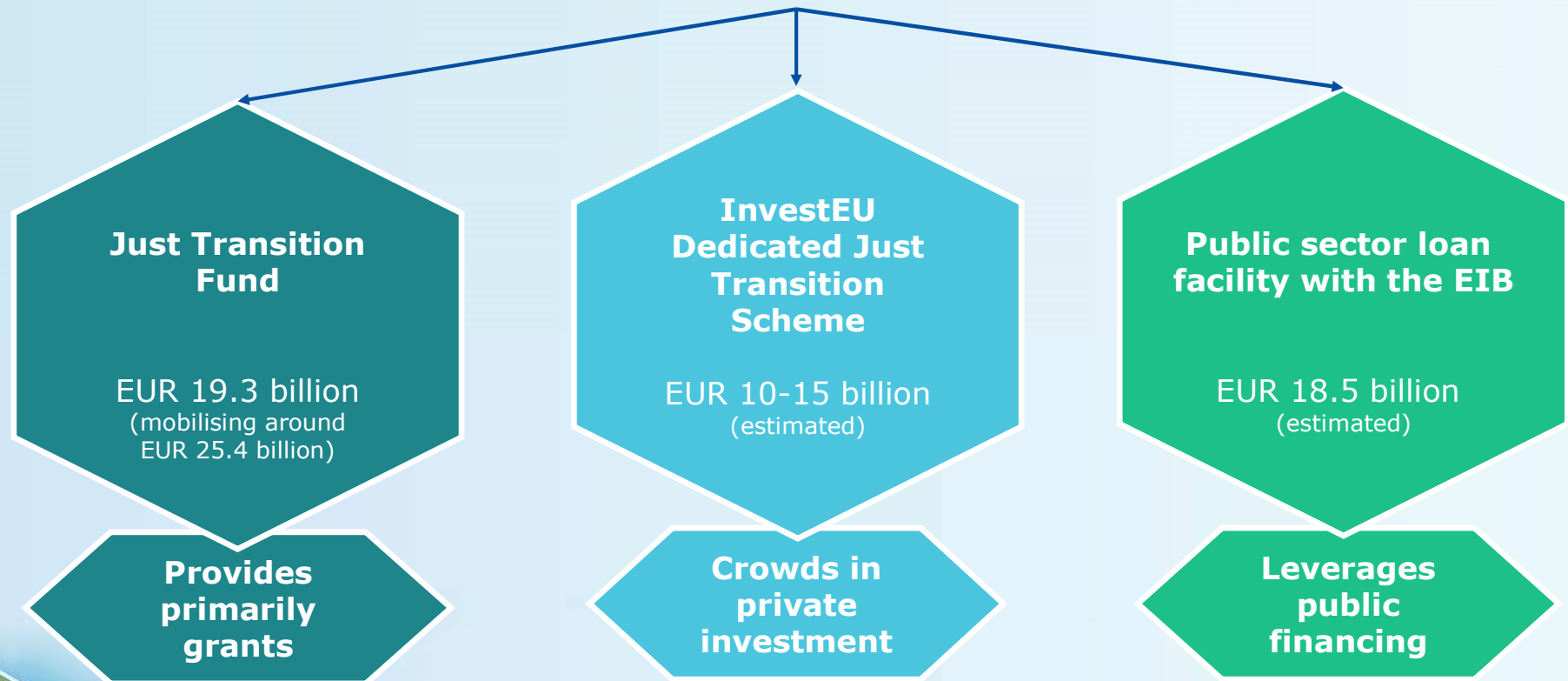
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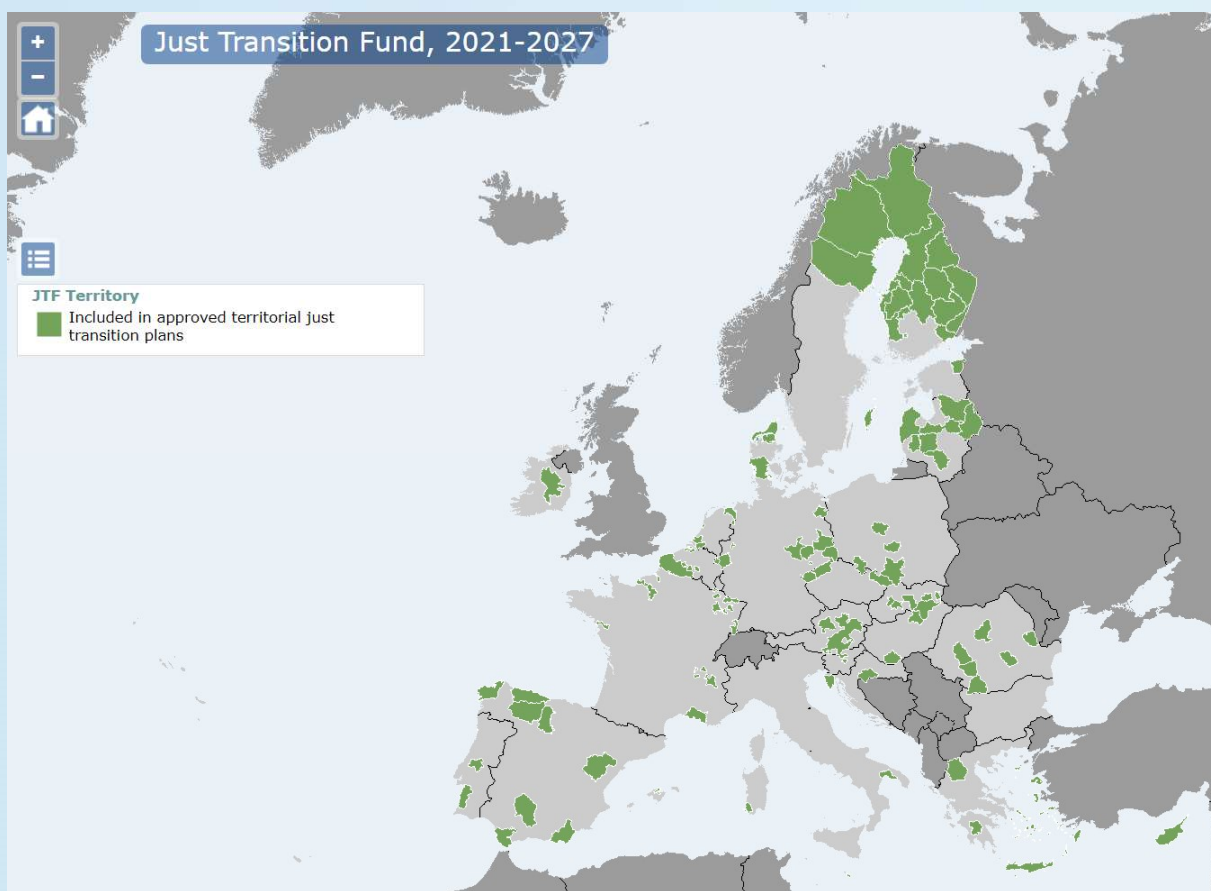
Just Transition Mechanism (JTM)

to support regions most affected by the climate transition in all Member States



Territorial just transition plans (TJTPs) give access to all 3 pillars

Just Transition Fund (JTF) programming: where are we?



- JTF programmes adopted for **26 MS**
- **67 territorial just transition plans** (TJTPs) for 93 territories
- coal/peat/oil shale regions + regions with carbon-intensive industries
- **EUR 25.4 billion** (incl. co-funding)
- Discover the territories and plans: https://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/funding/jtf/just-transition-platform
- Read the full story: <https://cohesiondata.ec.europa.eu/stories/s/28yb-762c>

Planned investments from the JTF

- Priorities:

- **Economic diversification and support to SMEs:** EUR 5.4 billion **30%**
- **Skills and job-search assistance:** EUR 3.1 billion **17%**
- Energy: EUR 3 billion
- Research and innovation: EUR 1.9 billion
- Regeneration of sites: EUR 1.6 billion
- Circular economy: EUR 669 million
- Productive investments in large enterprises: EUR 576 million
- ...

- Allocations to types of investments updated in real time on **Cohesion Open Data Platform** → <https://cohesiondata.ec.europa.eu/funds/jtf/21-27>

CCUS: part of limited investments in ETS

- JTF can support investments to reduce GHG emissions from ETS activities, under specific conditions:
 - only for **industrial installations**
 - to reduce GHG emissions **significantly below the ETS benchmark**
 - when needed to **protect a significant number of jobs**
 - the investment should **contribute to the just transition** in the relevant territory
- Projects with CCUS included in TJTPs:
 - **Istria** (HR): production of cement, CCS
 - **Mureş** (RO): production of chemical fertilisers, CCU
 - **Gotland** (SE): production of cement, CCS
 - **Västerbotten** (SE): production of non-ferrous metals, CCS

The Just Transition Platform (JTP)

- Assist all stakeholders in accessing available support:
 - **JTP conferences** (next: 25-27 April 2023)
 - **Working groups** for carbon-intensive regions (steel, cement, chemicals and stakeholder involvement)
 - **JTP Groundwork**: assistance to JTF regions on the ground
 - Webpage with knowledge products and helpdesk
- Coming soon:
 - JTPeers: exchange programme and peer-to-peer learning
 - Database of projects and experts
- Link to Coal Regions in Transition initiative



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