*Education and Training Flemish Governement*

*Target 131*

**Milestone description:**

Target 131, as attached in the annex to the Proposed Council Implementing Decision regarding the approval f the Recovery and Resilience Plan assessment for Belgium, is formulates as follows as far as the Flemish government is concerned:

**Number of schools/Institutions receiving funds to update their ICT infrastructure or equipment by July 2022. 3758 schools and/or educational institutions have received funds to upgrade ICT infrastructure**

**Verification mechanism:**

In the Operational Agreement the European Commission and the Flemish government agreed that this target, as far as the Flemish government is concerned, will be substantiated by means of the following supporting documents:

**Summary document duly justifying how the target (including the relevant elements of the target, as listed in the description of the target and of the corresponding measure in the CID annex) was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence: For the Flemish Community: (i) a spreadsheet listing all beneficiary schools, the school board to which the school belongs, the amount allocated to the school, the number of students per school; (ii) a centralised official document confirming that the funds to upgrade the ICT infrastructure have been received for the schools;**

**On the basis of a sample that may be selected by the Commission, the following documentary evidence shall be submitted for each of the schools selected: For the Flemish Community: an official document per beneficiary school board (‘payment evidence per beneficiary school board’) confirming that the funds to upgrade the ICT infrastructure have been received for the school;**

**A. Evidence provided:**

*“The legislation earmarking funds to ICTinfrastructure”*

* Annex 1a: BVR\_20210430\_Digisprong
* Annex 1b: BVR\_20220715\_Digisprong
* Annex 2: VR\_2020 1112\_Visienota\_Digisprong

*“Number of schools/institutions receiving funds to update the ICT Infrastructure”*

* Annex 3: 20220708\_Digisprong\_Basis\_secundair\_bedragen\_leerlingenaantallen\_

Schoolbesturen

*“Number of students”*

* Annex 3: 20220708\_Digisprong\_Basis\_secundair\_bedragen\_leerlingenaantallen\_

Schoolbesturen

*“All beneficiary schools, which school board each school belongs, the amount allocated to that school”*

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*“Official Document confirming that the funds to upgrade the ICT infrastructure have been received for the schools”*

* Annex 4: overzicht\_boekingsstuknummers\_1
* Annex 5: overzicht-Boekingstuknummers
* Annex 6:
* Annex 7:
* Annex 8:

**B. Detailed justification:**

(i) The legislation earmarking funds to ICTinfrastructure

On 30 April 2021, the Flemish government approved the Decision of the Flemish government to establish the rules for the allocation of additional IT resources for 2021 in the context of the Digisprong for mainstream and special nursery, primary and secondary education and the HBO5 nursing programme, including the earmarking of funds: please see **Annex 1a** BVR\_20210430\_digisprong en **annex 1b** BVR\_20220715\_Digisprong. This Decision of the Flemish Government results from the approval of the vision paper Digisprong on 12 November 2020 – please see **Annex 2** VR\_2020 1112\_Visienota\_Digisprong.

This decision provides for the allocation and disbursement of these funds for a total of up to 229.644.255 euros. Based upon this decision by the Flemish government, the institutions were paid out on 20 May 2021.

(ii) Number of schools/institutions receiving funds to update the ICT Infrastructure

A total of 3758 schools received these funds from the Flemish government. Specifically, these are:

* 2493 schools in the mainstream primary education sector
* 200 in the special needs primary education sector
* 956 in the mainstream secondary education sector.
* 109 in the special needs secondary education sector

With regard to the number of schools receiving funding from the Flemish government, it must be clarified that the number of schools does not correspond with the number written in the CID. As broken down above, the actual number is ***3758*** and not 3785 schools. The reason for this wrong number is due to an ordinary clerical error between the two last numbers. Unfortunately, this mistake hasn’t been notified during the process of negotiations the Belgium’s new RRP.

(iii) Number of students

**Annex 3** 20220708\_Digisprong\_Basis\_secundair\_bedragen\_leerlingenaantallen\_schoolbesturen contains the number of pupils:

* ‘Basis BAO\_BUBAO’: The number of students are in columns
  + Z: total of students used to calculate the amount for ‘ICT-infrastructure’
    - 706.689,02 pupils in the mainstream primary education sector
    - 28.215,15 pupils in the special needs primary education sector
  + AA: number of students in grades 5 and 6 used to calculate the amount for ‘shared devices’
    - 144.591,83 pupils in the mainstream primary education sector
    - 9.801,11pupils in the special needs primary education sector
  + AB: number of students from nursery school to 4the grade used to calculate the amount for ‘individual devices’
    - 562.097,19 pupils in the mainstream primary education sector
    - 18.414,04 pupils in the special needs primary education sector
* ‘Secundair SO\_BUSO\_schijf1’: The number of students are in columns
  + Z: total of students used to calculate the amount for ‘ICT-infrastructure’
    - 442.341 pupils in the mainstream secondary education sector
    - 13.637 pupils in the special needs secondary education sector
  + AA: number of students in grades 1, 3 and 5 used to calculate the amount for ‘devices’
    - 228.543 pupils in the mainstream secondary education sector
    - 7.334 pupils in the special needs secondary education sector
* ‘Secundair SO\_BUSO\_schijf2’: The number of students are in column AA: number of students in grades 2, 4 and 6 used to calculate the amount for ‘devices’
  + - 221.331 pupils in the mainstream secondary education sector
    - 6.756 pupils in the special needs secondary education sector

(iv) All beneficiary schools, which school board each school belongs, the amount allocated to that school

**Annex 3** 20220708\_Digisprong\_Basis\_secundair\_bedragen\_leerlingenaantallen\_schoolbesturen contains an overview of the link between the school and the school board to which the school belongs, for primary and secondary education separately.

For primary education (mainstream and special needs), the number of the school is displayed in column J. The following columns give more information about the school. Column AG displays the number of the school board. Here you can find as well the information on the school board.

In the tabs of secondary education (mainstream and special needs), columns J and AE (AD for second payment) represent the same information respectively.

The two tabs also clearly show the link between the number of pupils and the amount paid out to the school board per school.

(v) Document confirming that the schools received funds to upgrade the ICT infrastructure

**First payment**

The payment of the allocated amounts was carried out via Orafin, the payment system of the Flemish government, and have following entry numbers:

BSNR 210386609 with an amount of 30.957 euros.

BSNR 210387534 with an amount of 105.289 euros.

BSNR 210386611 with an amount of 570.816,19 euros.

BSNR 210386608 with an amount of 2.702.743,17 euros.

BSNR 210386617 with an amount of 1.077.903,84 euros.

BSNR 210386614 with an amount of 19.470.349 euros.

BSNR 210388826 with an amount of 36.935 euros.

BSNR 210388825 with an amount of 52.606.297,29 euros.

BSNR 210386392 with an amount of 13.386.007 euros.

BSNR 210387543 with an amount of 27.671.337 euros

BSNR 210388731 with an amount of 97.471.848 euros

BSNR 210388732 with an amount of 4.402.758 euros

BSNR 210388733 with an amount of 5.588.757 euros

BSNR 210387751 with an amount of 4.313.094 euros,

Note: this amount is broken down into the following amounts (due to charging per network): 1.216.680 euros

2.476.884 euros

115.080 euros

484.878 euros

19.572 euros

All of the above amounts can be found in **Annex 4:** overzicht boekingsstuknummers\_1 (Overview of Accounting Piece Numbers\_1) or **Annex 6:** 20240502\_ING\_schijf 1.

For ‘basis’, there are 6 schools with a system of ‘afstand van schuldvordering’, these schools are paid manually. And therefore there are separate proofs of payment in **Annex 5**: overzicht boekingsstuknummers\_2 (Overview of accounting reference numbers\_2) (first 6 screenshots). In Annex 3 these schools are marked as ‘afstand van schuldvordering’ in column AN. The payment of the allocated amounts was carried out via Orafin, the payment system of the Flemish government, and have following entry numbers:

BSNR 210386683 with an amount of 24.332 euros.

BSNR 210386684 with an amount of 44.525 euros.

BSNR 210386686 with an amount of 23.729 euros.

BSNR 210386687 with an amount of 39.554 euros.

BSNR 210386688 with an amount of 22.069 euros.

BSNR 210386689 with an amount of 11.202 euros.

For ‘secundair schijf 1’, there is one school that received money for one additional student. This is the payment in screenshot 7 in **Annex 5**: overzicht boekingsstuknummers\_2 (Overview of accounting reference numbers\_2). In Annex 3: this concerns row608 (remark in column AM) the amount for row 608 is the total amount the school received (including the additional payment)

BSNR 210444862 with an amount of 552 euros.

**Second payment**

The payment of the allocated amounts was carried out via Orafin, the payment system of the Flemish government, and have following entry numbers:

BSNR 220624390 with an amount of 1.025.899,19 euros.

BSNR 220624391 with an amount of 21.660.654,28 euros.

BSNR 220624390 with an amount of 1.772.757,16 euros.

BSNR 220624391 with an amount of 3.453.038,71 euros.

BSNR 220624391 with an amount of 78.441.118,90 euros.

BSNR 220624390 with an amount of 91.037,47 euros.

BSNR 220624390 with an amount of 298.896,07 euros.

BSNR 220624390 with an amount of 38.179,05 euros.

BSNR 220624391 with an amount of 4.733.741,18 euros.

All of the above amounts can be found in **Annex 7 :** 20240522\_schijf2\_secundair\_betaalbestanden\_met\_details.

For ‘secundair schijf 2’, there is one school that received money for additional students. This is the payment in in **Annex 8:** betaling\_digisprong\_instelling\_29827. In **Annex 3**: this concerns row 544 (remark in column AL) the amount for row 544 is the total amount the school received (including the additional payment)

BSNR 230328661 with an amount of 11.302,01 euros.

**C. Achievement of the requirements in the discreption of the measure**:

3758 schools and/or educational institutions have received the funds to upgrade the ICT infrastructure. The supporting documents submitted are described in “B. Detailed justification” and lead[to the following conclusion](https://context.reverso.net/vertaling/engels-nederlands/to+the+following+conclusion)*:*

Target 131 has been achieved, as far as the Flemish government is concerned, and the supporting documents for this are hereby filed.