Help your self to lunch!
EAT TO GROW!

Chair: David Williams
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Objectives for the Session

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East Midlands Councils
Localisation of EU funding

- Establishment of a national ‘EU Growth Programme’
- LEPs to develop EU investment strategies
- Each LEP to be given a ‘notional allocation’ of EU funding to prioritise
- Payments to be made centrally
- Notional allocations will be reviewed against performance from 2017 onwards
“Show me the money”

- EU Growth Programme = €6.2 billion
- UK Local Growth Fund = £2 billion
Current Experience

- Spend under the current ERDF Programme has been slow
- Too many small projects - difficult to see a strategic impact
- Original operational programme did not fully meet local needs - e.g. Broadband
In and around the EM

D2N2: €249.7
GLLEP: €133.5
LLEP: €126.
NEP: €55.0
SEMLEP: €88.3
GC&GP: €75.5
Emerging UK Priorities

- **Innovation**
- **SME Competitiveness**
- **ICT**
  - 60% + of ERDF

- **Employment**
- **Skills**
- **Social Inclusion**
  - 80% + of ESF

- **Low Carbon Economy**
  - 20% + of ERDF

- **Climate Change**
- **Environment**
- **Sustainable Transport**
  - No Minimum spend
Future Challenges

• 1 region replaced by 7 LEPs – 4 overlapping
• Pressure for early spend on projects that will deliver clear outcomes
• LEP notional allocations to be reviewed in 2017- under-performance could be penalised
EMC Technical Assistance Project

- Raise awareness and understanding of new processes
- Highlight strategic opportunities for growth in the East Midlands based on evidence
- Highlight opportunities for collaborative activity that will generate strategic scale projects
Meeting Need
Realising Opportunity

A Socio-Economic Framework for the East Midlands
to Inform the Delivery of EU Structural Funds (2014-2020)

December 2013
Opportunities for collaboration – key sectors

Employment in high and medium-high technology industry (%)
Above / below national average

- East Midlands Region
- 0.8 to 3.1 (36)
- 3.1 to 15.0 (59)

1. Transport Equipment (Automotive, Rail & Aerospace)
2. High Performance Automotive/ Motorsports
3. Food Technology
4. Energy Generation & Supply