



# Function and tasks of State Fund for Rehabilitation of Disabled People

*Vocational  
and social rehabilitation for people with disabilities*

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## Description of PFRON – introduction

State Fund for Rehabilitation of Disabled People is a special purpose fund operating under the Act on Vocational and Social Rehabilitation and Employment of People with Disabilities of 27 August 1997.

PFRON has been fulfilling a task of financing tool for the Polish system of vocational and social rehabilitation for people with disabilities for over 20 years (from 1991).

The mechanism which the system is based on, consists mainly of payments made by the employers who do not employ the appropriate number of people with disabilities.

The Fund collects such payments and allocates them to the tasks specified by the Act on Rehabilitation.

Mission of the Fund is to support people with disabilities in their social activity, vocational development and rehabilitation.



## Main sources of PFRON financing

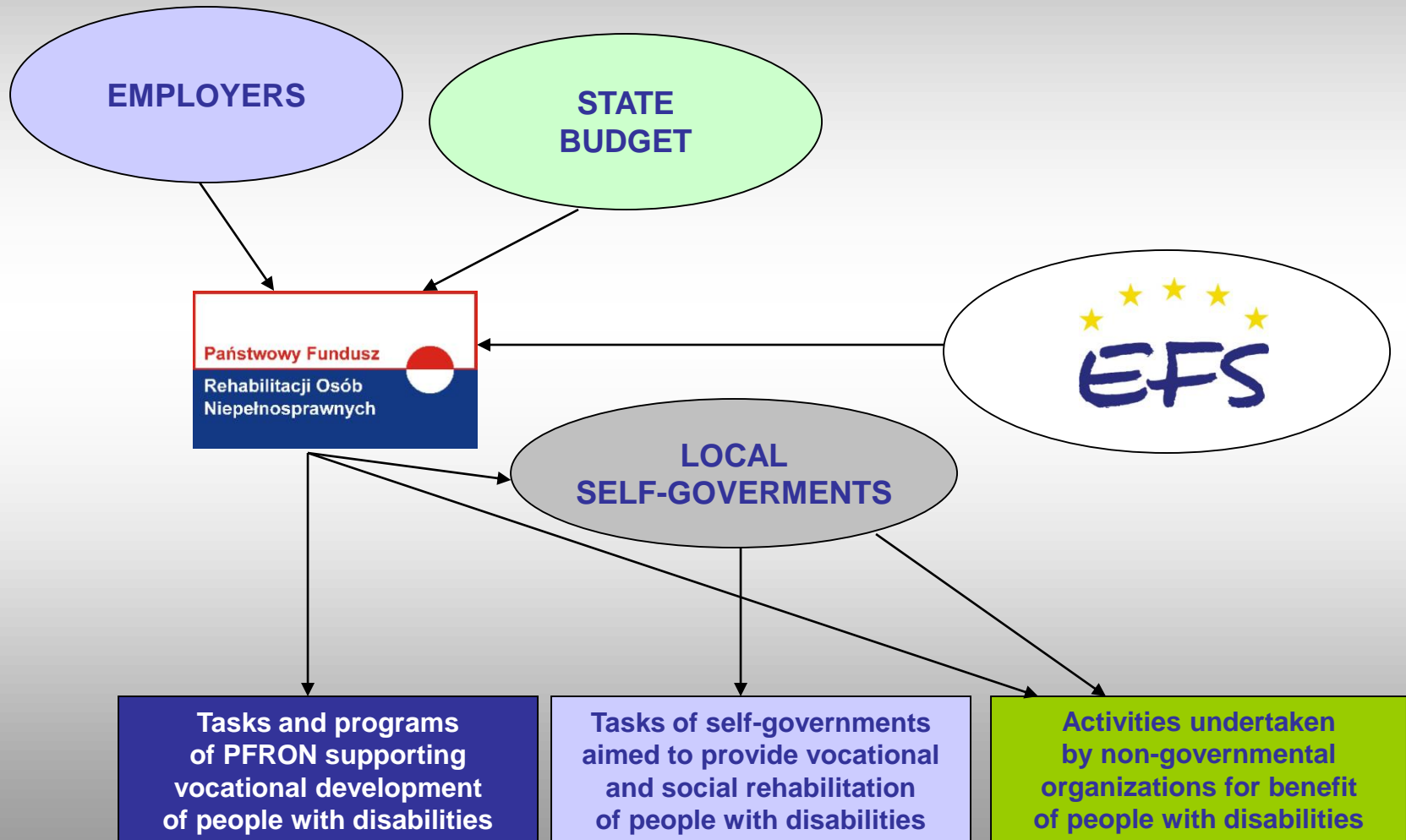
### PAYMENTS MADE BY THE EMPLOYERS

who employ at least 25 employees established based on full time employment and who do not reach the statutory employment level for people with disabilities (6% or 2%\*).

### SUBSIDY FROM THE STATE BUDGET

\* for public and non-public higher education institutions, higher vocational schools, public and non-public schools, teachers training centers, care, education and rehabilitation facilities the employment level indicator for people with disabilities shall be 2%.

# System of funding of social and vocational rehabilitation of people with disabilities – flow of funds





## Statutory tasks funded by PFRON and performed by the voivodeship level self-government

### In the field of vocational rehabilitation:

- > co-financing of the costs of creation and operation of vocational development centers

### In the field of social rehabilitation:

- > co-financing of construction works relating to rehabilitation facilities, in connection with needs of people with disabilities
- > tasks in the field of social and vocational rehabilitation commissioned to non-governmental foundations and organizations.



## Statutory tasks funded by PFRON and performed by the powiat self-government

### In the field of vocational rehabilitation:

- > refund of the costs borne by employers in connection with providing equipment to workstation for a disabled person
- > refund of the costs borne by employers in connection with premises adaptation to the needs of people with disabilities
- > refund of the costs borne by employers in connection with employment of people assisting disabled employees in their work
- > refund of the expenditures on instruments and services of labour market for benefit of people with disabilities looking for a job and not remaining in employment
- > financing of trainings for unemployed people with disabilities looking for a job and not remaining in employment
- > refund of the costs of trainings for people with disabilities borne by their employers
- > allocation of one-off funds for commencement of business or agricultural activity by disabled person or for making of contribution to social cooperative
- > co-financing of interest rate of bank credit taken by a disabled person conducting business activity or having own or leased agricultural holding in order to continue such activity



## Statutory tasks funded by PFRON and performed by the powiat self-government

### in the field of social rehabilitation:

- > co-financing of participation of people with disabilities and their attendants in rehabilitation tours
- > co-financing of the costs of creation and operation of occupational therapy workshops
- > co-financing of sport, culture, recreation and tourism for people with disabilities
- > co-financing of rehabilitation, orthopaedic and auxiliary equipment supplies
- > co-financing of elimination of architectural, communication and technical barriers in connection with individual needs of people with disabilities
- > tasks in the field of social and vocational rehabilitation commissioned to non-governmental foundations and organizations
- > co-financing of services provided by a sign language interpreter or a guide-interpreter



## **Projects implemented by PFRON financed with the aid of European Union funding**

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with the aid of European Union funding – The European Social Fund (ESF).**

**In 2007-2013 PFRON had at its disposal the allocation  
in the amount of 64,7 million euro.**





## Project „Support of people with MS , including people with multiple disabilities on the labour market”

### PARTICIPANTS:

- 800 people with MS
- 500 parents and family members

**Budget: amount 1,4 mln euro**

### ACTIVITY:

Support (personalised, comprehensive services) for people with MS, consisting in:

- working out individual diagnosis,
- drawing up individual action plans,
- vocational counselling and guidance,
- vocational activation workshops,
- rehabilitation traineeships,
- professional practice,
- vocational trainings,
- job creation (job coach services)
- workshops for families and caregivers in workshops designed to primarily legal and psychological support



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## RECOMMENDATIONS = ICF

- individual attitude to participants
- flexibility activities
- NGO's experience
- remember of parents or family members (basic)



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
ATTENTION!**

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