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TAIEX and Twinning

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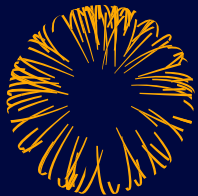
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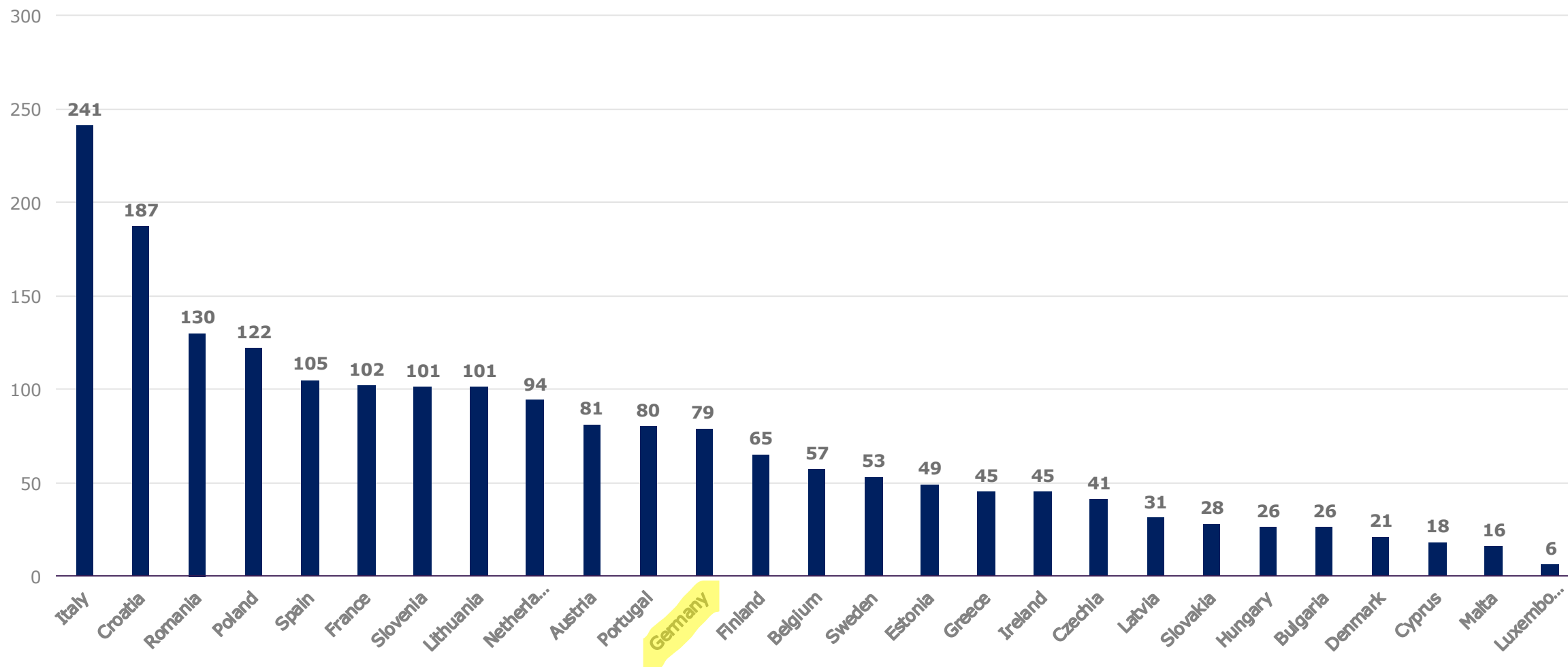
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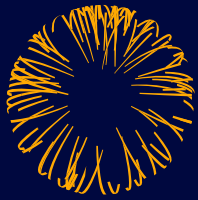
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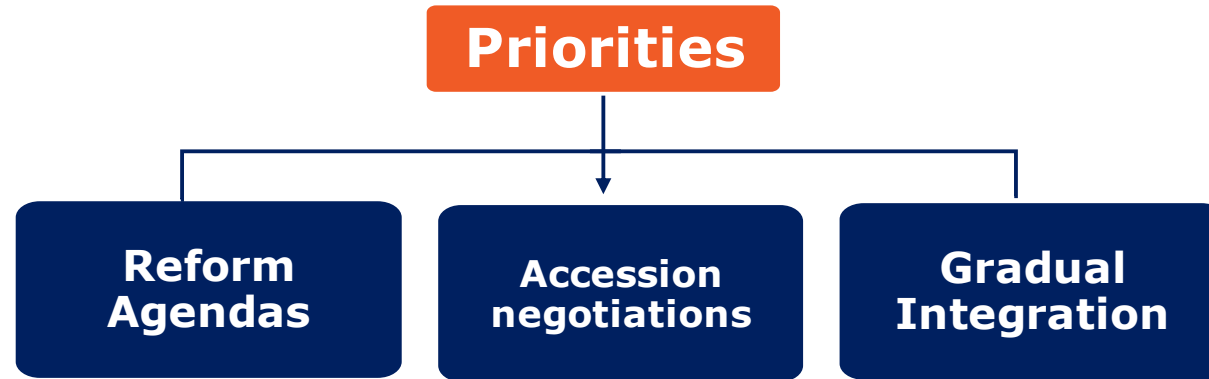


Experts mobilised July 2025 - June 2026





Strategic use of TAIEX

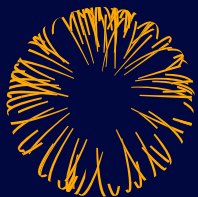


Logic

- Based on consultations with Commission services and partner countries
- Strategic use of TAIEX to unblock specific issues related to accession and reform agenda
- Give a framework for submitting requests to countries
- Increase predictability to mobilise experts in more structured way while increasing efficiency

Achievements

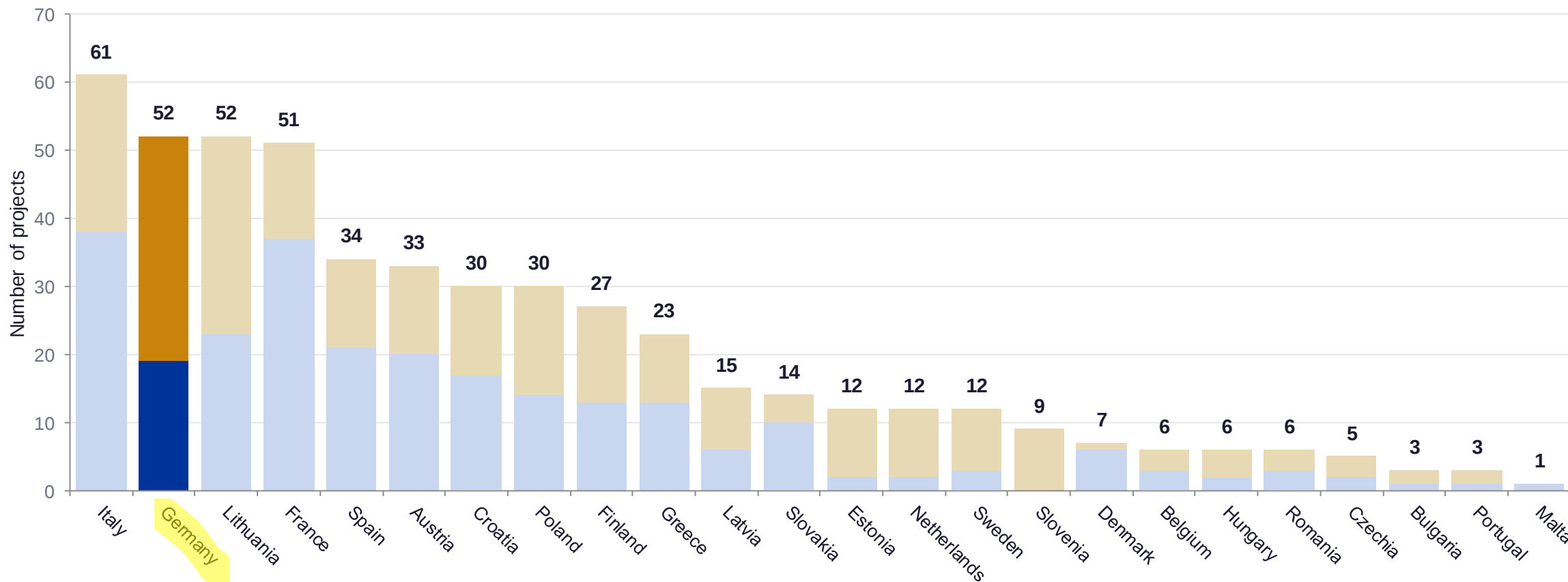
- TAIEX events strongly anchored in EU priorities in agreement with the partner countries
- Roadmaps and upfront planning of needs: 30% increase of efficiency in 2025
- Increase in requests for legal assessments

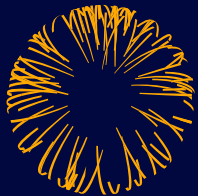


Twinning – focus on Germany (1)

Member State participation in Twinning (2021-2026)

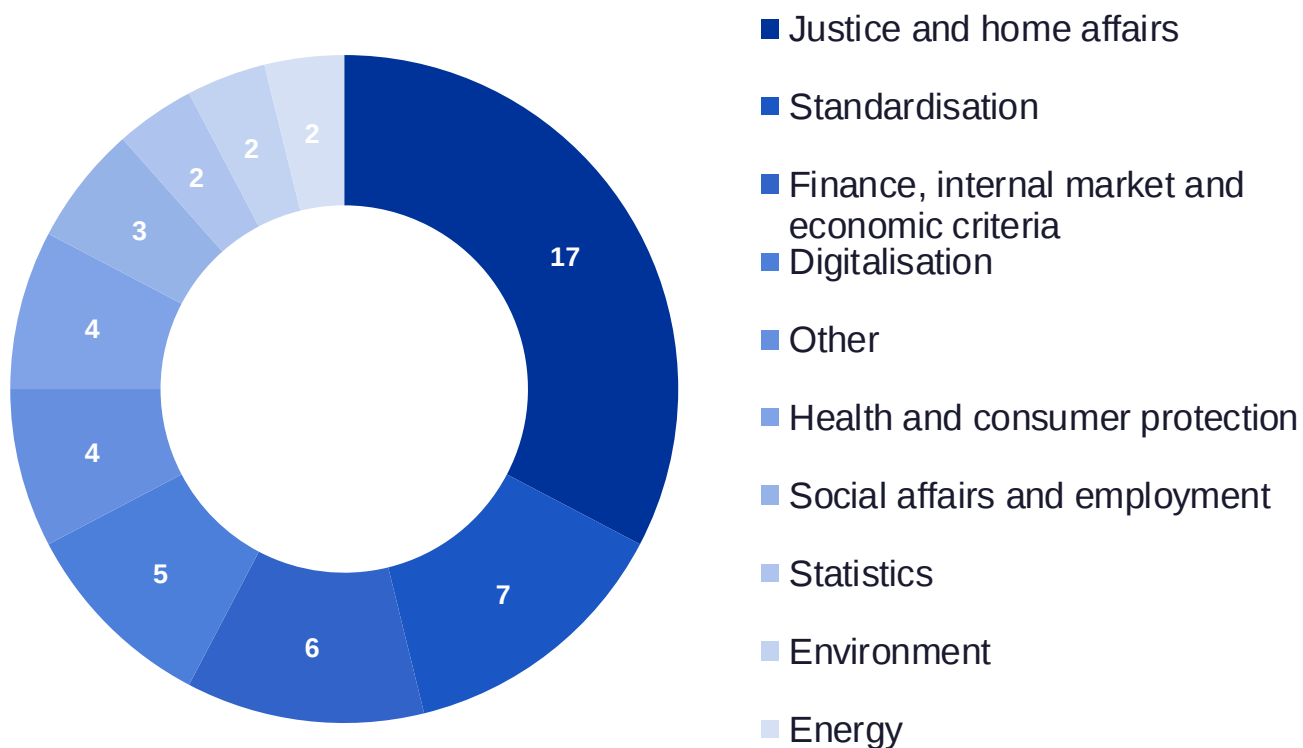
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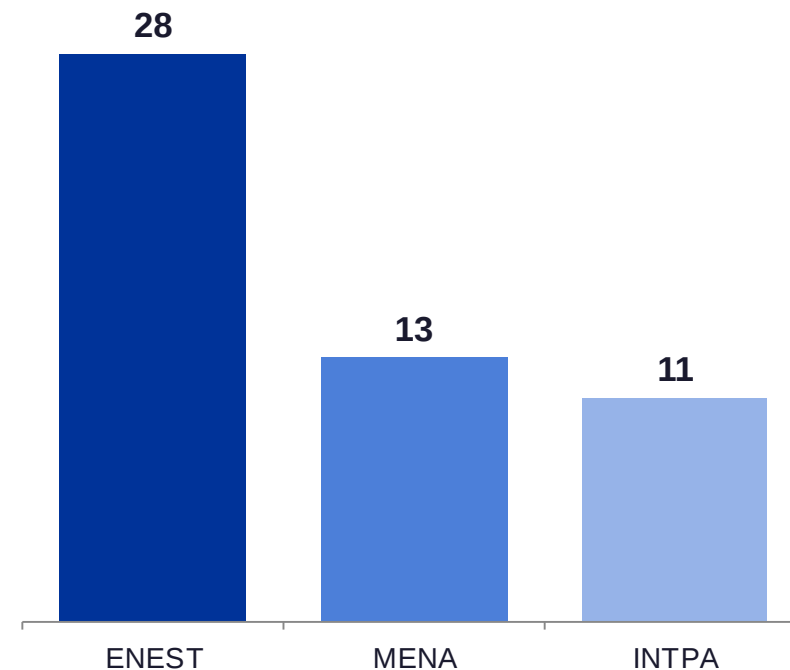


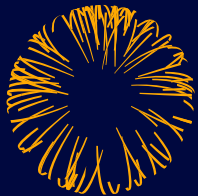
Twinning – focus on Germany (2)

Twinning Sectors (2021-2026)

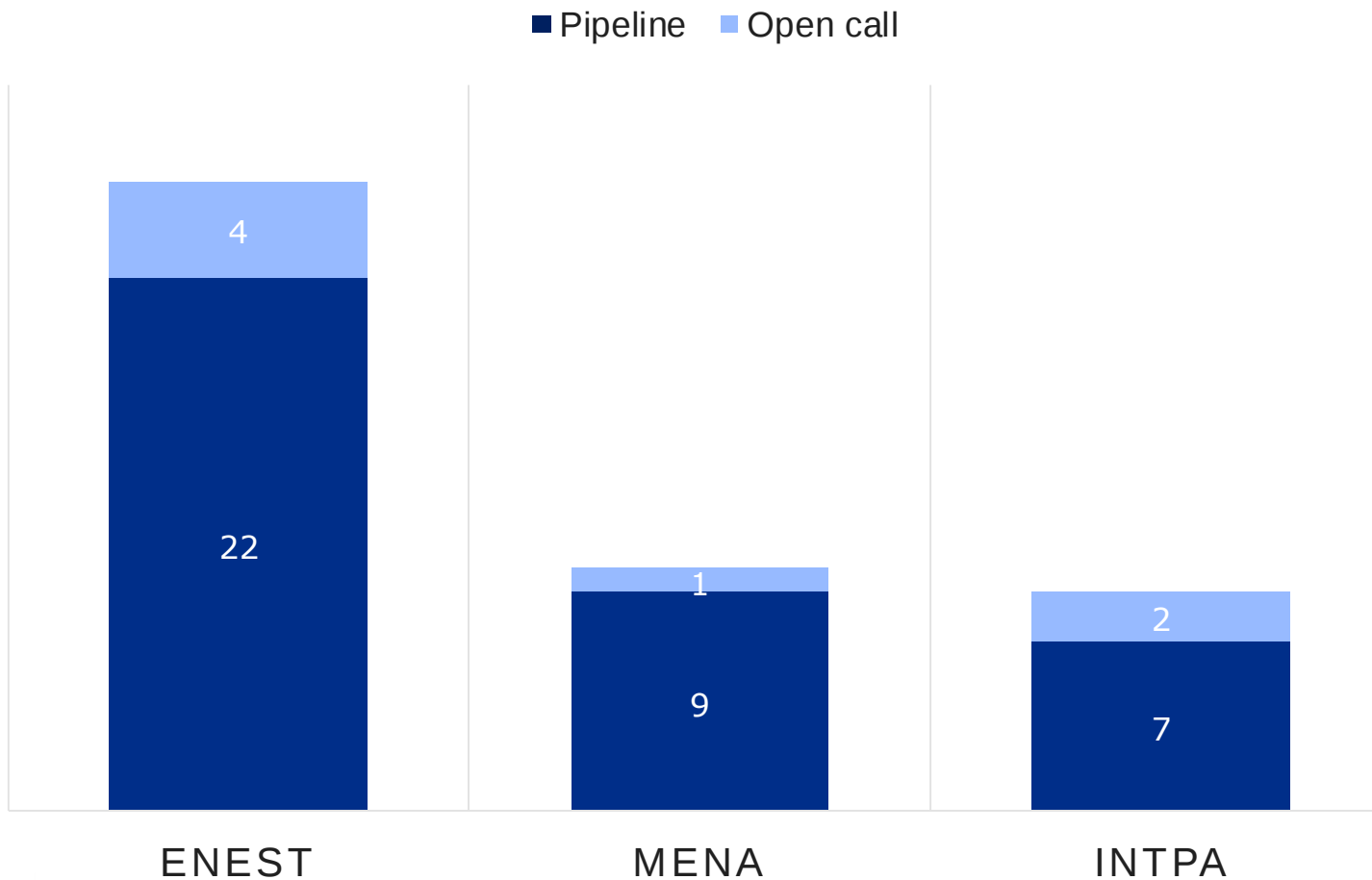


Twinnings supported by Germany, by region (2021-2026)





Twinning pipeline



ENEST - Eastern Neighbourhood and Eastern Europe

MENA – Middle East and North Africa

INTPA – Sub-Sahara Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean



Twinning reform: why & what

Key principles



Simplification

Less administrative burden for everyone involved



Coherence

Smarter, more digitalised, harmonised processes



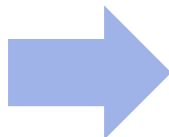
Trust

Confidence in partners, not just controls



Impact

More focus on results, less on controls



Digitalisation

Moving Twinning onto e-Grants

- Move from paper-based files to a single digital platform
- One data entry point, shared across all actors
- More coherent, harmonised way of working



Simplified financial management

From actual costs to lump sums

- Lump-sum funding replaces actual-cost reimbursement
- Shift the focus from financial control to implementation, trust, and cutting red tape



Objective: a Twinning instrument that is lighter to manage, easier to implement, grounded in trust, and focused on impact

Vielen Dank!

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