

Peugeot Citroen Automobiles (PSA) in France

Reference	EGF/2014/006 FR/PSA
Member State	France
Sector	Automotive
Submitted to European Commission	25 April 2014
Total budget planned	€21 174 342
EGF contribution	€12 704 605
Intervention criterion	Globalisation
Period of reference	1.10.2013 - 31.1.2014
Redundancies during period of reference	1 989
Active employment measures	<p>To be provided for 2 357 workers and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Personalised care by a service centre - External experts and advisers - Thematic workshops - Regular information of the workers - Training and upskilling - Grants for business creation

BACKGROUND

- The application is based on the fact that the EU share in the global market for passenger vehicles has been shrinking in recent years, within the general upward trend of the sector. While the EU-15 in 2000 was still producing 29.4 % of the total, this had declined to 18.5 % in 2013 for EU-27.
- The PSA plant in Aulnay (Ile de France) is being closed entirely, there are major staff cuts in Rennes (Brittany) and voluntary redundancies in several other locations. These follow a period during which PSA carried out major cost saving and productivity improving measures that finally turned out to be insufficient to save the jobs. In 2012, it lost its market in Iran due to sanctions, and it was also affected by supply difficulties following the Japanese tsunami in 2011.
- The EGF measures are in addition to wide-ranging programmes carried out by PSA in the affected regions as part of its statutory obligations following mass redundancies.
- The automotive sector has already been the subject of 21 EGF applications and is the sector most frequently requiring EGF support for its redundant workers. There have been EGF applications for this sector each year since the start of the EGF in 2007.