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Framework Programme 7: *Per Capita* Statistics for 2007-2013

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Introduction

This briefing note is provided in response to a request for further information on European Union (EU) competitive funding in Northern Ireland. The note refers specifically to the Framework 7 Programme (FP7) statistics provided in section 7.2 of RalSe paper NIAR 795-13, dated 27 November 2013. The Committee for the Office of the First and deputy First Minister has requested a *per capita* breakdown of the FP7 figures for England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

1. FP7 *Per Capita* Statistics

The information in the following table is taken from the FP7 eCorda database¹ (provided by the UK Government Department for Business Innovation and Skills) and the *Tenth Interim Report of Irish Involvement in the Seventh European Union Framework Programme* (supplied by Enterprise Ireland). The figures were released on 1 July 2013. As previously discussed in RalSe paper NIAR 795-13, at sub-section 6.1, these figures do not equate to 'drawdown' as defined by the Northern Ireland Executive.

The table below calculates the *per capita* EC requested financial contributions:

Per Capita FP7: EC requested Financial Contributions €			
Country	EC Requested Financial Contributions (millions)	Population (millions)	Per Capita Requested Financial Contributions €
Northern Ireland	63.6	1.8	35.33
England	4,526.36	53.5	84.60
Scotland	505	5.3	95.28
Wales	110.5	3.1	35.65
Republic of Ireland	2,715.2	4.6	590.26

Based on data from e-Corda database up to 1 July 2013, provided by the UK Government Department for Business Innovation and Skills and, the *Tenth Interim Report of Irish Involvement in the Seventh European Union Framework Programme*.²

The most current population figures available are taken from 2012. The estimated usual resident population of the United Kingdom in mid-2012 was 63,705,000.³ This was comprised of the following:

- 53,493,700 in England;
- 5,313,600 in Scotland;

¹ Information is not publicly available. Access to the database is restricted to a small number of passwords per Member State.

² Data supplied to RalSe by Enterprise Ireland : 10/10/13.

³ Office of National Statistics (ONS) (2013). *Statistical Bulletin: Annual Mid-year Population Estimates, 2011 and 2012*, 8 August 2013. Available at: http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/dcp171778_320900.pdf

- 3,074,100 in Wales; and,
- 1,823,600 in Northern Ireland.

The estimated population of the Republic of Ireland in April 2012 was 4,585,400.⁴

⁴ Central Statistics Office (CSO) Ireland (2012) *Population and Migration Estimates, April 2012*. Available at: http://www.cso.ie/en/media/csoie/census/documents/populationestimates2012/popmig_2012.pdf