

Mid-Term Evaluation of the National Rural Network Programmes What can we learn from it?

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Getting to know the 4 NRNPs



- ✓ Which are the four NRNPs?
- ✓ How have they been assessed?
- ✓ What are the lessons for the assessment of networks?

Which are the four NRNPs?



	Germany	Italy	Portugal	Spain
Focus	networking and exchange	governance, improved implementation of the RDP and increase of visibility and consensus about rural development	networking, exchange and facilitating cooperation	networking and exchange but also in the improved implementation of the RDP and the strengthening of governance and capacity
Budget	6,8 MEUR	Appr. 82 MEUR	23,5 MEUR	Appr. 90 MEUR (from over 250!)
Regions	16	21	3 (one mainland and 2 island groups)	17





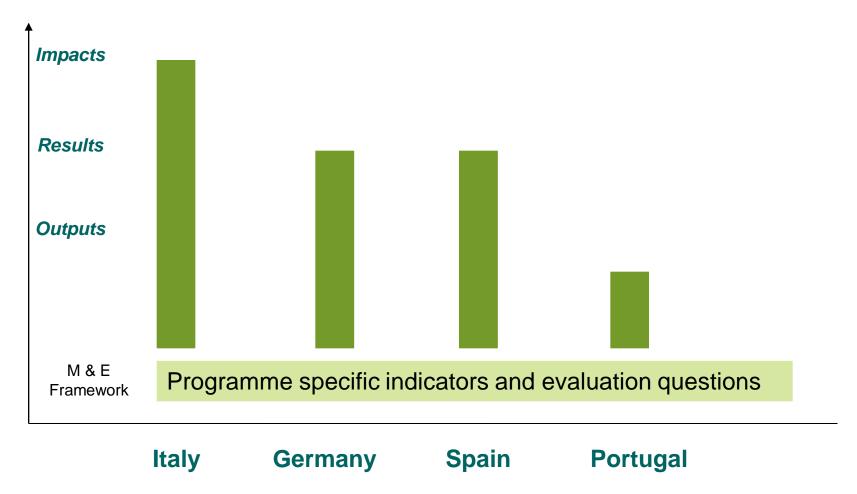
Are NRNPs just another RDP?

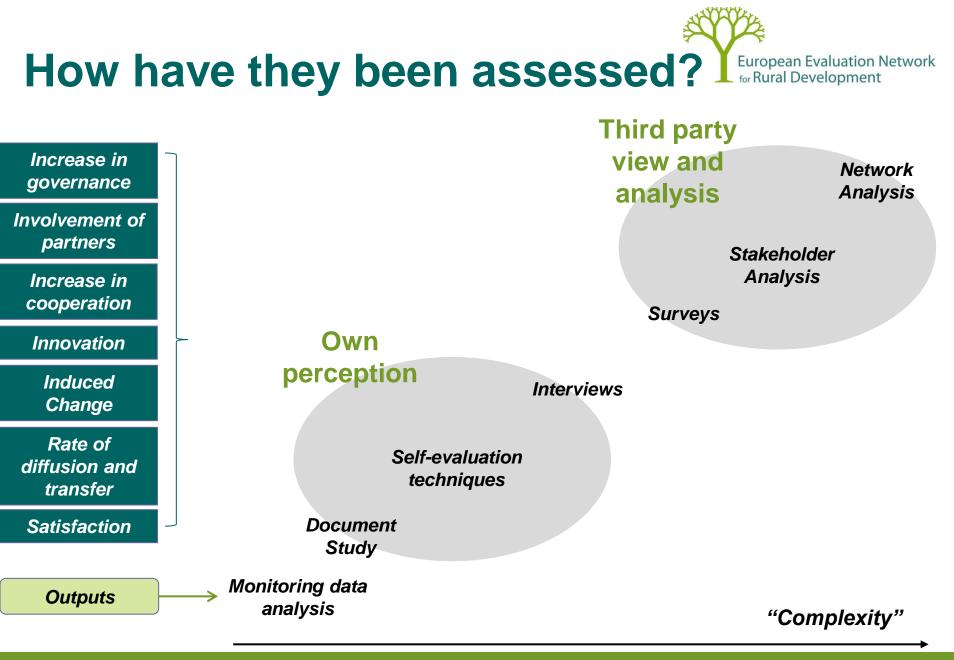
 They are relatively small, few and they finance soft measures;

Have NRNPs been assessed as RDPs?

- CMEF provided a standard approach for both RDPs and NRNPs
- … however NRNPs needed a tailor-made solution for the assessment of specific interventions







What are the lessons for the assessment of networks?



CMEF approach can be applied with a critical view

- Identify the intervention provided by network activities;
- Define specific/tailor-fit indicators and evaluation questions;
- Take a pragmatic approach for capturing outputs, results and impacts proportionate to budget.

Exploit the lessons of the NRNP as a point of departure (and consult the forthcoming Working Paper)

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