

4th NRN Meeting - Slovenia

ENRD CP support for self- assessment & our joint work with NSUs

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NRN Self-assessment Tools

Overview of NRN outputs – main activities

-> Common Network Statistics

Moving from outputs **towards results**

-> ongoing exchange/ Self-assessment Toolkit
with focus on results

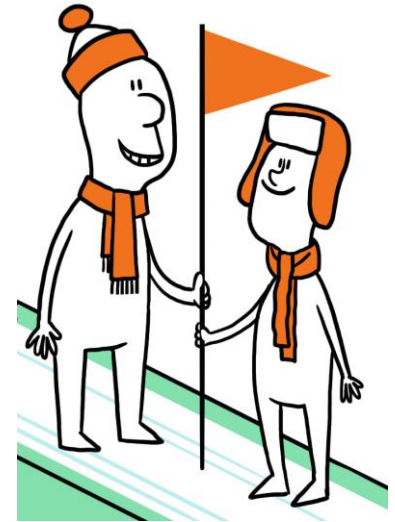
Demonstrating the added value of networking

-> Awareness raising about networking



Collection of the Common Network Statistics

- Joint work of the ENRD CP and NRNs
- Final template sent in December 2015
- 11 networks provided feedback until January (BE-F, ES, FI, PT, PL, RO, SE, SK, SI, UK-Wal & Scot)
- Template finalised & sent to NRNs
- Final discussion today
- **Collection of common network statistics will start in March 2016 for the years 2014, 2015**



We need to find the right balance: The burden of collecting data should not be larger than the potential use of it

Comments on CNS by networks



General comments

- ✓ N+2 rule – shouldn't we report beyond 2020? -> Yes, it is possible – to be decided at a later stage
- ✓ Difference between not applicable/ not available (no data)/ '0' -> General guidance added
- ✓ What is meant by the 'social inclusion' theme -> further clarification provided
- ✓ Number of ENRD activities in which the NRN participated in: NRN or NSU -> further clarification provided

Comments on CNS by networks



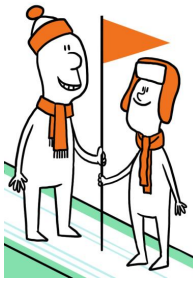
Website

- ✓ Average time spent on the website is not a useful measure -> **indicator taken out**
- ✓ How to count 'new visitors' to the website? -> **Indicator removed**

Other communication tools

- ✓ Where can we report on films/videos, TV and radio broadcasts -> **multimedia tools added**

Comments on CNS by networks



Events

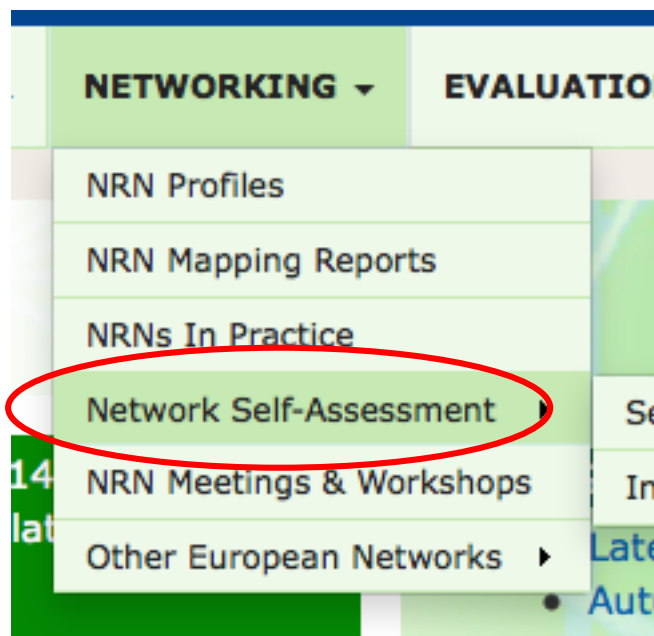
- ✓ What is the difference between events / training events/ TG meetings? -> further definition provided & No TG events added
- ✓ Where can we report 'promotional events/fairs'? -> new thematic category created under events

Social media

- ✓ Should social media discussion forums be included under e-forums? -> Yes, FB and LinkedIn discussion groups

Focus on achievements of results

NRN Self-assessment Toolkit



Self-assessment Tools

This section aims to provide tools for NRN self-assessment with particular focus on assessment of activities carried out by NRNs

Assessment of events

The organisation of events is a **core activity of all National Rural Networks (NRNs)**. Since the end (or directly following) the events organised.

However, **beyond the distribution and synthesis of participants' feedback forms**, few longer-term results and outcomes and/or carry out activities to follow-up and improve the in

What are the most important questions that networks should ask to assess events? What do assessment and to better understand the longer-term effects of these?

The tools presented within this section aim to help answering these questions. NRN self-programming period. Among others, 'Examples of Feedback Forms used for NRN Activities', 'Questionnaires and Feedback Forms' were referenced.

Events self-assessment tools



New approach to in-depth assessment of events, Latvia

Assessment of thematic group work

Organising thematic and analytical exchanges is one of the key mandatory tasks of NRNs primarily aim at improving the implementation of Rural Development Programmes.

Thematic Group is one of the most common forms of thematic exchange, and is extensive

Any new tools are
welcome

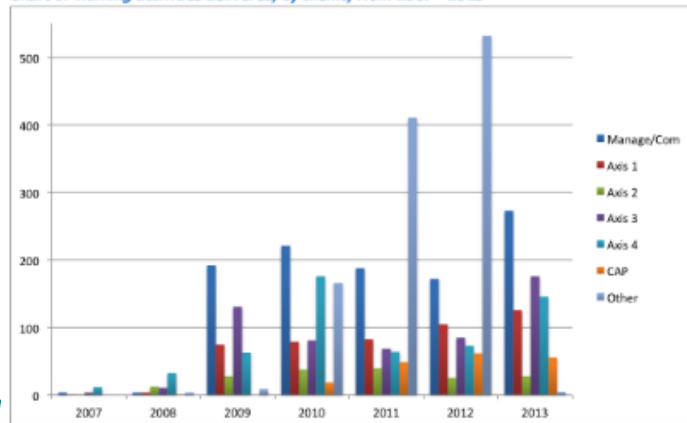
Demonstrating the added value of networking

- Using available information: CNS, case studies – to raise awareness about the added value of networking
- Possibility of producing a joint publication (end of 2016)

Other training, which were attended by almost 50,000 participants. Additional information previously obtained suggests that this training category included measures fostering participatory processes and encouraging innovation. Annual participant figures in this category reached their peak in 2010 and 2011 with 17,558 and 18,637 trainees (in 166 and 411 events respectively), and have been in decline since, achieving a participation of 7,084 persons (in 532 activities) in 2012 and of 499 persons (in just 5 events) in 2013.

Chart 6 below represents an annual breakdown of the NSUs' varied training offer, which also demonstrates that the need of the members of the rural network constituency for this kind of service is a fairly continuous and steady one.

Chart 6: Training activities delivered, by theme, from 2007 - 2013

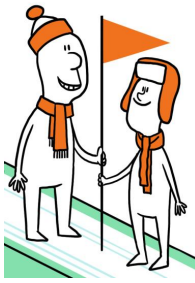


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Questions for discussion



- ? Any final comments on the CNS that you couldn't express/ that were not yet addressed?
Use also brown paper and post-its (put your contact details)
- ? Where are you in the self-assessment process what do you need right now that others / ENRD could support you with?
- ? Suggestions on how to develop / use our joint tools further