



European Rural Networks'
Steering Group

Capacity building activities to support the evaluation of RDPs

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Why building evaluation capacities?

How did we build capacities?

On what topics?

Future priorities for capacity building



Why to build evaluation capacity?

- Get a common understanding of how we evaluate Rural Development Policy
- Discuss problems linked to the implementation of the Common Monitoring and Evaluation System
- Ensure comparability of evaluation outcomes

1. Better evaluation methodologies and tools

Guidance „Assessing RDP results“
Guidance „Evaluation of NRN 2014-2020“
Working Paper Evaluation-related queries
Guidance „Evaluation of Leader/CLLD“

2. Good practices in RD evaluation

GP WS „Assessment of env. effects“
GP WS „Approaches to define HNV farml.“
Good Practice collection (various topics)

3. Better evaluation capacity

Training on CMES, EQs, eval. Leader/LDS
Training on evaluation of NRN, ex post
Other training activities

4. Further developed M&E system

Assessment impl. of Evaluation Plans

5. Well-organized evaluation related events

Evaluation related input for Expert Group meetings, ENRD events, NRN meetings, other events.

6. Up to date communication on evaluation topics

Rural Evaluation NEWS no. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Evaluation Helpdesk website - revamped
Other publications

Improve the evaluation of EU RD policy

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Evaluation-related capacity building



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EvaluationWORKs!2015 France (Paris, 23 March)

- Hosted by French Ministry of Agriculture
- 50 participants from MAs, PAs, Ministry, European Commission
- Discussed CMES, evaluation questions and enhanced AIR 2017, Leader

EvaluationWORKs!2015 Germany (Kassel, 3 June)

- Discussed system to answer evaluation questions, and
- SFC template, point 7 for reporting on evaluation in 2017



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Preparing the assessment of High Nature Value farming (Bonn, 7-8 June)

- Hosted by German Bund für Naturschutz
- 50 participants from MAs, PAs, Ministry, European Commission
- Took stock of Member State approaches to identify, monitor and assess HNV farming in 2014-2020

Ex post evaluation of RDPs 2007-2013 (Palermo, 4-5 July)

- Hosted by Italian National Rural Network
- Discusses ex post evaluation of RDPs 2007-2013
- Quality criteria for assessing ex post evaluation reports



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Training on Quality assessment of ex post evaluation reports (October 2016)

- Review of lessons from mid-term evaluation (May)
- Brainstorming on needs of EC Desk Officers (May)
- Development of a quality assessment tool to be used by EC Desk Officers (June)
- Preparation of training package on quality assessment (July-Sep)



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EvaluationWORKs!2016 in all Member States (Oct-Dec.)

Indicative topics:

- Getting prepared for evaluation to be reported in the Annual Implementation Reports 2017
- Evaluation of LEADER/CLLD
- Evaluation of National Rural Networks

Further capacity building activities

- Evaluation of National Rural Networks (tbc)



Thank you for your attention!

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