



Evaluation of e-cohesion 2014 - 2020

State of play

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General considerations

- ✓ Introduced by Article 122(3) of the CPR 2014-2020 - exchanges of information between beneficiaries and programme authorities could be carried out by means of electronic data exchange systems.
- ✓ Essential principles mentioned in the CPR: encode only once, interoperability. Other characteristics in CIR 1011/2014 (e.g. data integrity, interactive forms, use of electronic signature etc.).
- ✓ E-cohesion remains a requirement in the 2021-2027 programming period.
- ✓ Objective of the evaluation: collect information on the systems in place, identify good practice systems, as well as challenges in setting up and operation -> make them available to the national authorities at the beginning of the new programming period.

Key aspects of the evaluation

Contractor: PPMI, Rechenwerk, Ismeri.

Evaluation started: end-2020.

Planned finalisation: beginning of 2022.

Main activities/deliverables:

- Mapping of e-cohesion systems in all MS, for all OPs (ERDF, CF, incl. Interreg);
- Large-scale surveys (MA, IB, AA, CA, beneficiaries) to get users' views on what works, what should be improved, which are the most useful functionalities;
- Webinar with the MS authorities;
- In-depth analysis of 5 good practice systems (pilot phase has already started with MA from Estonia and Greece);
- Analysis: What could be improved for 2021-2027? Which are the main challenges identified?
- Findings accompanied by visual support (fiches for each MS and Interreg).

Preliminary mapping of e-cohesion systems

Most MS have one system: AT, BG, CY, HR, CZ, DK, EE, FI, HU, LV, LT, LU, MT, NL, PT, RO, SK, SI, ES.

Two systems in: BE, EL, PL, SE.

Four systems in: FR.

Outliers: DE (14), IT (28), IE (0).

Interreg - three main types of systems:

- eMS,
- system of one of the MS/regions involved,
- specific system.

✓ Preliminary mapping of e-cohesion systems
-> web search, SFC 2014 (monitoring committee documents, audit reports etc.).

✓ Information is being/will be confirmed with national authorities.

Next steps

- ✓ Pilot in-depth analysis of 2 e-cohesion systems (Estonia and Greece – on-going),
- ✓ Development of the online surveys,
- ✓ Organising the survey,
- ✓ In-depth analysis of 5 e-cohesion systems considered as good practice,
- ✓ Look into the 2021-2027 period.

Thank you



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