

2017 activities completed and the 2018 Annual Work Programme

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1. Helpdesk activities recently completed

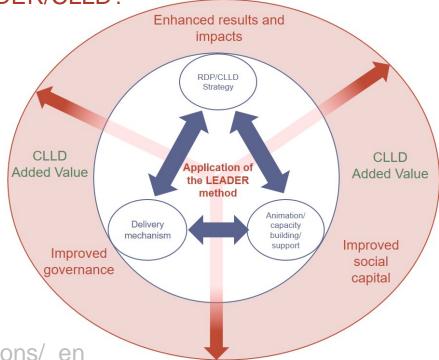






- Evaluation at RDP and LAG level
- Difference between evaluation and selfassessment, etc.

How to define the added value of LEADER/CLLD?



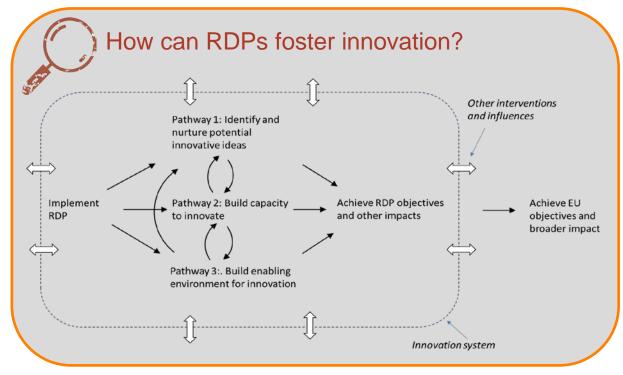




Evaluation of innovation in RDPs 2014-20



- Why to evaluate innovation?
- How to answer the Common Evaluation Questions related to innovation?







Assessment of the Implementation of the Evaluation Plans of RDPs 2014-2020 - Chapter 2 of the AIR submitted in 2017



- The progress in implementing the Evaluation Plans
- Overall assessment





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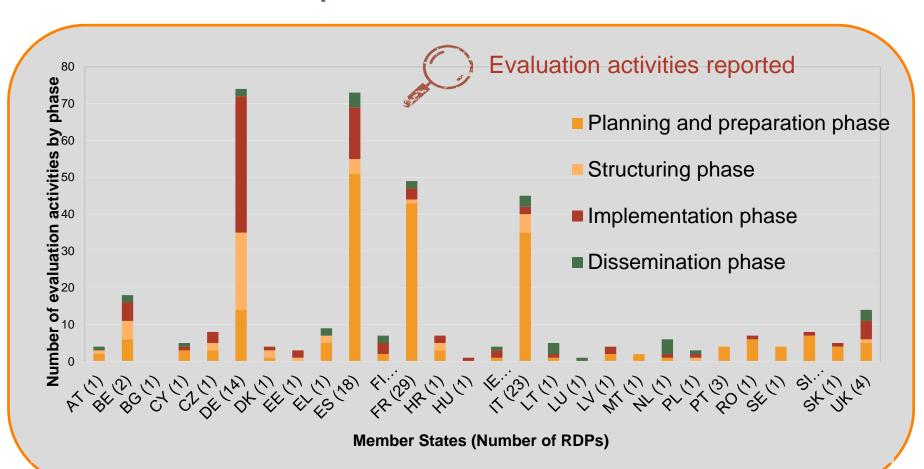
Main findings

- Good progress in the evaluations of the RDPs
- Increasingly also activities on the **conduction and dissemination phase**.
- Member States are still adapting and updating the data management system
- Most RDPs use external evaluation contracts.
- Number of completed evaluations has increased significantly (still many ex-post and ex-ante evaluations).
- Problems and issues identified are mainly related to the delay of the programme implementation.





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Synthesis of the Evaluation Components of the 2017 Enhanced AIR: Chapter 7



- How have the policy results been assessed?
- What was the contribution of Pillar II to the CAP objectives and the Rural Development priorities?





Synthesis of the Evaluation Components of the 2017 Enhanced AIR: Chapter 7



Findings

- Majority of RDPs have systematically dealt with evaluations
- Achievements are consistently reported, though with various degree of details.
- Some achievements are based on ex post evaluation findings.
- The quantification of common result indicators varies by FA (high degree for FA 2A, 4A, 4B, 4C, 6B)
- Quantification limited for P5, FA 3B, 6C.
- A high proportion of MAs reported achievements in relation to FA 2A (economic performance), 6B (local development)

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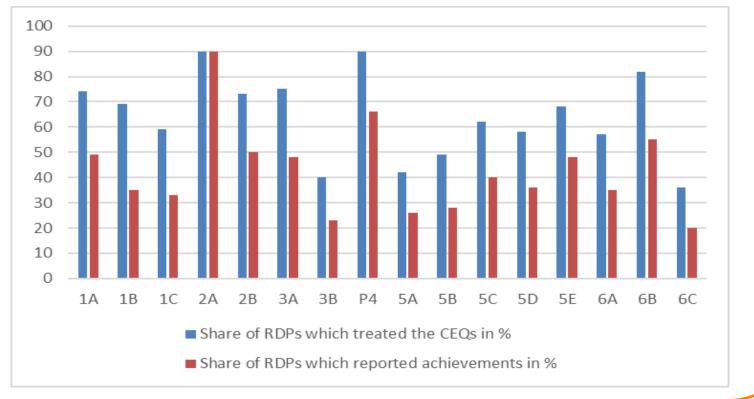




Synthesis of the Evaluation Components of the 2017 Enhanced AIR: Chapter 7



Assessment across Focus Areas





Working Document

HNV Farming Indicator in RDPs 2014-2020Overview from a Survey





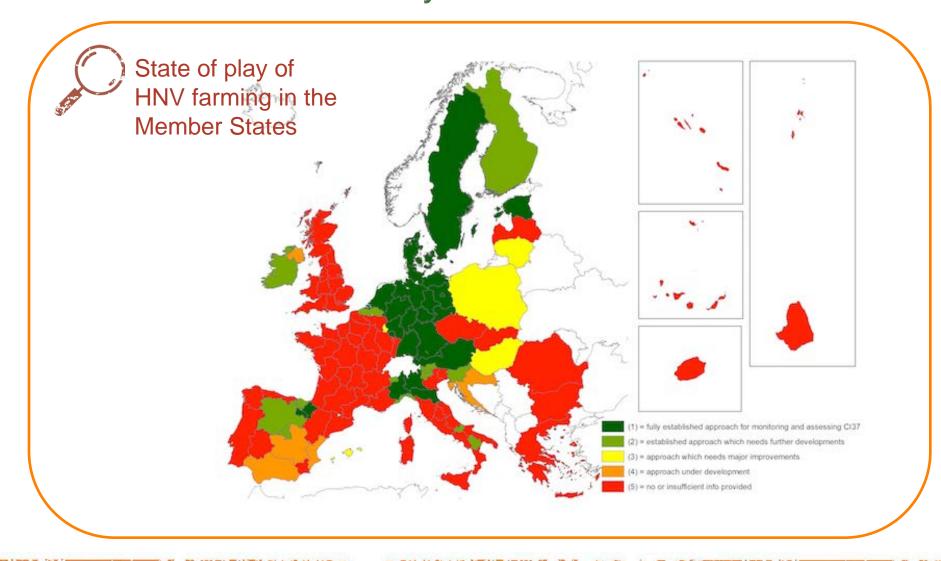
- An overview of HNV in the Member States
- Results and findings of the survey of HNV farming in the Member States



Working Document

EUROPEAN EVALUATION HELPDESK FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

HNV Farming Indicator in RDPs 2014-2020 Overview from a Survey







Good Practice Workshops

Workshop #5 (19/20 September 2017 in Riga): "How to report on evaluation in the Annual Implementation Reports: experiences and outlook"

Workshop #6 (30 Nov./1 December 2017 in Athens):
National Rural
Networks' support to the evaluation of RDPs?







- Assessment of Rural Development Programme Results Under Focus Area 2A:
 A Counterfactual Analysis from Slovakia (Factsheet)
- French NRN support to evaluation: Technical Group on M&E (Poster)
- German MEN-D: Terms of Reference Template for Monitoring and Evaluation (Poster)
- Latvian NRN database (Poster)
- POLISH NRN: Thematic Group on LEADER approach (Poster)
- Estonian NRN: Success stories of agri-environment measures (Poster)
- Experiences from the Czech Republic in *preparing* for the evaluation in the AIR 2017 (Info Sheet)
- Experiences from Spain in *reporting* on the evaluation in the AIR 2017 (Info Sheet)



2. Annual Work Programme 2018

Our activities

1. Better evaluation methodologies and tools

Good practices in RD evaluation

3. Better evaluation capacity

4. Further developed M&E system

5. Well-organized evaluation related events

6. Up to date communication on evaluation

- Thematic working groups: Assessment of RDP impacts in 2019; further topic tbc
- Evaluation-related queries
- Good practice workshops: Assessment of LEADER/CLLD, methods to assess RDP impacts, preparation of evaluation activities for AIR in 2019
- Good practice factsheets
- Yearly capacity buildings in the Member States:
 Follow-up AIR 2017; preparation AIR in 2019,
 evaluation of LEADER/CLLD; quali./quant. methods
- Other training activities
- Synthesis of evaluation components included in the AIR in 2018
- Evaluation-related input for Expert Group meetings, ENRD events, NRN meetings, other events
- Rural Evaluation NEWS no. 9, 10, 11
- Evaluation Helpdesk website https://enrd.ec.europa.eu/evaluation/

Improve the evaluation of EU RD policy





TWG-05 "Assessment of RDP impacts and achievements in 2019" (Q3/2018)

- How to assess the achievements and impacts of RDPs in 2019?
- What are proposed methods for estimating the net effect of RD interventions?
- How to answer the CEQs no. 22-30?
- → More details about TWG-05 to follow under agenda point no. 12!





Good Practice Workshops

Suggested topics for 2018:

- Assessment of LEADER/CLLD
- Preparation of evaluation activities to be carried out for the AIR in 2019
- Methods to assess RDP impacts



Good Practice Workshop no. 6 (30 Nov./1 December 2017 in Athens)





Capacity building and training activities in MS

Ongoing capacity building events (Q1/2018):

Follow-up of the Annual Implementation Reports in 2017



EvaluationWORKS!2017 (16 Nov. 2017 in Bratislava)

Suggested topics for 2018:

- Preparation of the evaluation activities to be carried out in the AIR in 2019
- Evaluation of LEADER/CLLD
- Qualitative/quantitative methods for assessing RDP impacts





Dissemination and communication

Rural Evaluation NEWS:

- **Issue Number 7**
 - The evaluation of innovation in RDPs 2014-2020
 - Farm level indicators for new topics in policy evaluation
 - What evaluators in Latvia are learning from 2017 AIR
 - The policy framework for innovation
- **Issue Number 8**
 - Synthesis of the AIRs submitted in 2017
 - Taking stock of the state of play of how Member States are monitoring and assessing their HNV farmland
 - How NRNs can support evaluation activities
 - Measuring impacts of RDPs

Website:

Check out the eLibrary!!







3. Discussion



Questions

- 1. Are the presented activities of the Annual Work Programme 2018 relevant and useful for you?
- 2. What topics/issues should be further developed in forms of guidance, workshop, capacity buildings?
- 3. What topics would you like to see covered for good practice factsheets and upcoming newsletter articles?



Thank you for your attention!

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