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# **Notification of the approval of transnational cooperation projects to the Commission through the Managing Authorities**

## **AGRI G1**



# Background:



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- According to Article 39.5 of the Commission Regulation (EC) 1974/2006 "Member States shall communicate to the Commission the approved transnational cooperation projects".
- **Why?** - The objective of this obligation is to increase transparency of the approvals given in Member States, and also to accelerate the approval procedure = "Lessons learned" from Leader+



# How?



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- **What?** Member States should notify all TNC projects which involve at least a LAG from one other Member State.
  - All approvals should be notified (not only in the case where the own LAG is the lead-partner)
  - MS don't have to notify projects with third countries where only LAGs from the own MS are involved.
  - Only „real“ projects (joint action!) should be notified (not the approval of preparatory actions)
  
- **Who?** The RDP Managing Authorities are responsible to notify the projects (and only they have access to SFC...)



# How?



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- **When?** Whenever a project has received an approval it should be immediately notified.
- **Where?** Via SFC 2007 (the information exchange facility tool between the Commission and the MAs of RDPs and of other programmes)
  - Using the information exchange notification form (Annex II of the Guide on Transnational Co-operation): It is an Excel file which exists in all languages



# Where in SFC...



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## „Information exchange notification form“



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- The information exchange notification form only contains basic information on the project.
- It does not contain descriptive information of the project content, apart from the project title and, if possible, an acronym on which the partners have already agreed upon (for the easier identification, different languages etc.)



# What happens with the notifications?



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- The Commission informs the Member States via the Rural Development Committee and the members of the Leader sub-committee of the EN RD about the notifications received (with project name, partners indicated etc.); the content of the whole form is then available on request.
- In doing this the Commission will increase transparency of the approvals given in Member States, and also to accelerate the approval procedure.



# What happens with the notifications?



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→ In the ideal case the Commission will be able to know when a project has received all approvals and therefore can be considered as fully approved.





## Questions raised so far by MAs



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- ***„Do we need to fill out all the requested information requested in the form?“***

Answer: **NO!**

→ **Please fill in what you can and do not delay the notification!** – This refers also to budget information (especially the part of the partners). Minimum information should be the name of the project, the exact name of the partners and the project budget of your LAG as well as the duration.



## The notification process in the framework of the TNC activities of the ENRD



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- Once a project is approved by all involved MAs, the CP of the EN RD will use the information based on all forms received as a basis of a project fiche in the TNC project database which will be available on the website.
- In a separate process the MAs and/or NRNs will be contacted by the CP to submit the descriptive information for the project (normally limited to the MA/NRN of the lead partner)



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**State of play on 19.05.2010:  
The Commission has received so far  
11 notifications.**

**Thank you for your kind attention!!!**