



The RDP Evaluation Plan: proposals for minimum requirements

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Legal basis for the Evaluation Plan

- *Article 49(1) CPR: an evaluation plan shall be drawn up by the MA for each programme*
- *Article 49(2) CPR: MS shall ensure that appropriate evaluation capacity is available*
- *Article 9 RDR: The MS shall provide sufficient resources to address the identified needs (for evaluation)*
- *Article 83(1) RDR: COM shall establish minimum requirements for the Evaluation Plan*



Minimum requirements

Evaluation Plan part of RDP

Min reqs included in implementing act

Changes via RDP modification

Plus: non-binding guidance to provide support for drafting, implementing and reporting



Purpose of the Evaluation Plan

Ensure sufficient and appropriate evaluation activity, in particular:

- Programme steering + AIR 2017
- Interim progress + AIR 2019
- Data availability
- EU level info (aggregation)

Proposed minimum requirements

8 sections:

- *Objectives and purpose of the EP*
- *Governance and coordination*
- *Evaluation topics and activities*
- *Data and information*
- *Timeline*
- *LEADER*
- *Communication*
- *Resources*



1. Objectives and Purpose

- *Based on overall objectives*
- *MA may choose to augment*

2. Governance and coordination

- *Description of M&E system*
- *Identification of bodies and responsibilities*
- *Explain coordination mechanisms (RDP, ESIF)*
- *Procedures for quality control*

3. Evaluation topics and activities

- *Result and impact indicator values*
- *Assessment of net effects*
- *Thematic issues*
- *Cross-cutting issues*
- *NRN*
- *Technical Assistance*
- *Programme-specific elements*
- *Work needed to fill gaps (methodology, new aspects)*

4. Data and information

- *Data providers*
- *IT systems and interfaces*
- *Process for provision of required data*
- *Outline of methods and sources*
- *Data gaps and proposed solutions*
- *Quality control of data*

5. Timeline

- *Outline of timing needed to provide required info for the major milestones*
 - **AIR 2017**
 - **AIR 2019**
 - **Ex-post**

6. LEADER

- *Activities planned to support LAG level evaluation*
- *Approach to capture LDS outcomes for incorporating into RDP outcomes*
- *Evaluation of added-value of LEADER approach*

7. Communication

- *Describe communication strategy*
- *Identify target recipients and their needs*
- *Identify information channels*
- *Mechanisms for follow-up on use of evaluation results*

8. Resources

- *Administrative capacity*
- *Data*
- *Financial resources*
- *IT needs*
- *Capacity building*