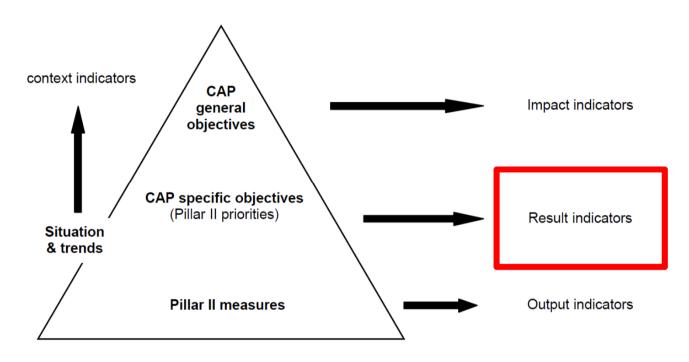


National Monitoring and Evaluation Network Agrarian Structure and Rural Development Germany



Draft Intervention Logic EAFRD 2014-2020 Experiences and Comments from Germany



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Networking

The overall goal of MEN-D is the establishment and support of a national monitoring and evaluation network for agrarian structure and rural development.

- Collection of current evaluation practices of GAK measures and their implementation through EAFRD
- Thematic workshops and annual events
- Continuous exchange with key national and EU level actors through events, internet tools, newsletters

Improvement

The BMELV and the Federal States will be supported in the implementation and continuous improvement of current monitoring and evaluation (M+E) requirements with respect to GAK programs and their implementation through the EAFRD.

- Support with the coordination of the implementation of the existing M+E requirements
- Development of proposals for improving the current M+E methods
- Standardization of data collection for indicators in terms of simplification, the division of labor, availability and aggregation
- Support of the BMELV and Federal States in the monitoring and evaluation of GAK and the national framework
- The feeding of results to EU level

Revision of M+E

The aim is to revise and, where possible, to simplify the current M+E system for measures in the field of fostering agrarian structure and rural development, funded by GAK and EAFRD. Options that are not at all or only partially possible within the current M+E framework and that are in line with the post 2013 funding period will be developed and demonstrated.

- Advancement of M+E methods and processes so as to increase simplicity, transparency and efficiency ("think-tank function")
- Revision of the M+E approach to ensure coherence with other funding programs
- Support of the BMELV and the Federal States in implementing evaluation results
- The feeding of results to EU level



- /// 1st workshop (13.03.) general aspects
 - // Intervention logic / indicators are defined to meet EU-level needs. It is very good that the EU-level defines their information needs.
 - // Programme specific needs could be sorry, they are different.
 - // In our workshop we tried to balance the discussion between the time and effort and benefit for the MA/RDP-level (responsible for the provision of data).
 - // Programme specific indicators are a different topic.



MEN-D /// 1st workshop (13.03.) – context indicators

- to describe initial situation of RDP territory, as input for SWOT and to shape RDP strategy and specific intervention logic
- (draft) set of context indicators needed (announced for next EEC 12.06.2012) because socio-economic analysis have started, first ex Ante calls for tenders are published ...

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- MEN-D /// 1st workshop (13.03.) data items /output indicators
 - // Public expenditure for an individual operation could be attributed to one principal priority (although simplistic view)
 - → would simplify the whole system! 2nd way was not favoured.
 - // No problems with most of the data items / indicators
 - // Beside detailed questions several clarifications needed e.g.
 - List of measure codes and operation types
 - Public expenditure I: EAFRD / national public / national top ups (Art. 89)?
 - Public expenditure II: planned payments, approved payments, payments?
 - Reporting needs and update cycle: based on different data sources (see expenditure)?
 - definition of indicators (demarcation, point in time etc.)
 - Area related and investment related measures (IACS / non IACS measures) do not really fit together



- MEN_D /// 1st workshop (13.03.) impact indicators (not in focus)
 - Part of evaluation
 - // Indicators cover the CAP not only Pillar II. Coordination between Pillar I (esp. greening) and Pillar II?
 - Automatically evaluation of Pillar I by Pillar II evaluators?
 - The link between RP policy / RDPs and some of the proposed impact indicators should be improved and clarified which ones should be applied on EU and which ones on RDP level
 - Link between measure related impacts and RPD impacts should be improved.
 - ---> Task of the new expert group on "Monitoring and evaluating the CAP" (Art 110); 1st meeting on 14-06-2012.



- /// 2nd workshop (21.05.) result indicators
 - // Often clarification and reference parameter needed
 - // Administrative Costs: The number of result indicators increases from 16 to 23 (+44%), however, the utility for policy steering is hardly detectable. It can be nonetheless expected, that the administrative costs for assessing the indicators will increase.
 - // Target Indicators: Currently 17 indicators are marked as "target indicators". It is understood, that those result indicators marked as "target indicators" are NOT those target indicators to be agreed for the performance reserve. If this is so, the target indicators should be renamed in the context of result indicators.



- /// 2nd workshop (21.05.) result indicators
- **// Data basis:** It is still not clear, on which data basis should be used for the result indicators. If the assessment takes place via application data, this would contradict the proper concept of a result indicator.
- // For some of the proposed result indicators only estimations or application data possible (e.g. GVA/AWU time lag)
- // Most indicators can not just be taken from applications / payments: uniform/defined processing / calculation necessary



- /// 2nd workshop (21.05.) result indicators
 - // Period type: The data should NOT be gathered/assessed as cumulated data, but as annual data. MAs do NOT need cumulated date (see also AEM tables APR)
 - // Monitoring tables: The concrete monitoring tables and the reporting formats should be presented contemporaneously with the reviewed indicator proposal, i.e. latest for the next Evaluation Expert Committee on June 12th, 2012.

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- /// 2nd workshop (21.05.) result indicators
 - **// Monitoring or Evaluation:** The result indicators are planned as part of the monitoring and therewith subject to regular reporting and must be collected by the MA.
 - // Possibly, the assessment includes planned values as well as actual values – the latter must be collected later by the MA since these are not initially part of the applications and the results can only be observed with a time lag. Such an approach would be very demanding. Alternative proposals:
 - Variant a) The result indicators are becoming part of evaluation and are only reported 2017 and 2019 or when the respective priority is evaluated according to the evaluation plan.
 - Variant b) The result indicators are only reported in the annual reports. Only the output indicators and the financial data are reported bi-annually/quarterly (depending on the outcome of the negotiations about the regulation proposals).



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