

Technical clarifications

AGRI F1 and E4
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M 17.1 Support to insurance contracts

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- Threshold loss from 30% to 20% (Omnibus amendment of Art. 37)
- Established schemes may continue as set out in the approved RDP (continuity in implementation and avoiding administrative burden)
- Thresholds to be changed in the event of programme amendment introducing a modification to the measure description (RDP chapter 8.2)



Omnibus - Active Farmer provision

• The omnibus amended Art. 16, 19, 29, 31, 33 and 37 of Regulation 1305/2013 in respect of the active farmer provision:

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"active farmers within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, as applicable in the Member State concerned"

 Member States have to ensure that provisions under measures M 3, 6, 11, 13, 14 and 17 are in compliance with their latest notifications related to their application of Art. 9 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.



Measure fiches and guidance documents

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- All relevant measure fiches have been updated (to reflect changes introduced by Omnibus) and uploaded in circa
- The guidance on controls and penalties will be uploaded in advance to the next RDC of the 13th June, and discussed at the occasion of that committee.



AIR 2017: Macro-regional/sea basin strategies

New section in SFC for AIR 2017:
 1.f) Macro-regional and sea basin strategies

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- Same (basic) information about EAFRD contribution to these strategies as in last year's manual exercise (excel spread sheets) – more convenient in SFC
- Still optional
- To be used for Commission report to EP and Council (DG REGIO)

Performance Framework Financial reporting on 119.4 advances

Amended Art. 5 of Reg. 215/2014 allows to report on: "<u>values achieved</u> by operations which have been started, but where some of the actions leading to outputs are still ongoing"

Deductive rule: payments may be reported in the PF/CMES only if there is evidence that the operation has begun and outputs have been achieved

The following can be said for advances payed to LAGs for running and animation costs (M19.4):

- Advance payments may only be granted to LAGs where such groups have been legally constituted and are operational.
- This fact gives evidence that operation under M19.4 have started and value has been achieved,
- Therefore these advances can be reported in the related financial indicator





Third country nationals' integration

- Monitoring obligation: Article 14(4) of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) n° 808/2014:
- Managing Authorities need to report on operations where there is potential contribution to the integration of third country nationals: to 'flag' this side effect of the operation
- It is about monitoring <u>operations</u> (meaning <u>projects</u>)
- It is up to the MAs to define the better way to collect the information





2016 AIR

- From the 118 RDPs, 3 IT regions have reported some operations for third country nationals' integration supported by EAFRD
- The disparity of the data provided by MS make difficult to the Commission to do a proper assessment COM expects to receive an improved contribution in the frame of AIR 2017





2017 AIR

Information should be provided in table C2.4 'Monitoring of supported operations addressing integration of third-country nationals'

• COM would also welcome having some description (e.g. NRN and LAGs activities) about the supported operations under point 1(c) 'Key information on RDP implementation' of the AIR

