

## Background

The EU 2020 strategy for a smart, sustainable and inclusive growth aims to reduce GHG emission by 20% compared to 1990 levels, use 20% of renewable energy and increase 20% the energy efficiency.

Rural areas are being called upon to step up their efforts to meet the ambitious climate and energy targets of the EU. The land use sector, acting as a source but also as a sink for greenhouse gas emissions, offers interesting and feasible possibilities for implementing technical and economic measures to reduce emissions and to adapt to climate change.

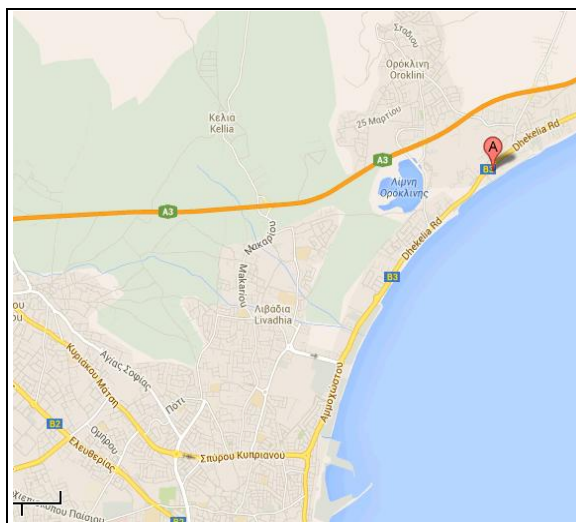
Managing Authorities (MAs) are at the moment approaching the *ex post* evaluation of 2007-2013 RDPs and designing the 2014-2020 programmes. A good understanding of the impacts of mitigation and adaptation activities becomes fundamental in the formulation of 2014-2020 RDPs in order to maximize their effective and efficient contribution to rural development, CAP and EU 2020 objectives. Some measures in the 2007-13 RDPs addressed climate change and many lessons can be drawn from the assessment of the 2007-2013 RDPs which can help MAs and evaluators in the formative evaluation of new programmes at the development and design phase of mitigation and adaptation activities for the 2014-2020 RDPs.

### Read more:

[Approaches for assessing the impacts of RDPs in the context of multiple intervening factors](#)

[The application of the High Nature Value Impact indicator](#)

## How to reach the meeting venue?



The **venue** can be reached by Taxi /bus from Larnaca Airport in approximately 20 minutes (for approx. 20 Euros).

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## Good Practice Workshop

# Climate change mitigation and adaptation in RDPs:

*Assessing the scope and  
measuring the outcomes*

**Cyprus, 10-11 February 2014**

### Venue information:

[Princess Beach Hotel](#)  
Dekhelia Road, Postal Code 7041,  
Larnaca, Cyprus

Participation is limited and therefore subject to confirmation via e-mail.

Please register [here before 24 January 2014 >>>](#)

## Thematic focus

The Good Practice Workshop aims to provide a forum for the discussion and exchange of good practice and experiences in the assessment of climate change mitigation and adaptation activities within RDPs among Managing Authorities from Member States, evaluators and researchers.

### Objectives

- **Share good practice** in national and international experiences with climate change adaptation and mitigation in agriculture and forestry
- **Identifying effective approaches** to assess the contribution of the climate change mitigation and adaptation related measures of 2007-2013 RDPs
- **Review the main challenges and solutions adopted** to assess the contribution of climate change mitigation and adaptation related measures
- **Draw main lessons** to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of mitigation and adaptation related measures of the 2014-2020 RDPs

### Main target audience

Managing Authorities, evaluators and researchers.

### Method

Presentations, case studies, discussions, and interactive group work. (Working language: English)

### Outcome

The workshop documentation will be published on the [website](#) of the European Evaluation Network for Rural Development and presented to the Evaluation Expert Committee.

## Agenda 10 Feb 2014

### 13:00 Setting the frame

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| • <b>Welcome</b>                                                                 | N.N. Representative of Hosting Organisation |
| • <b>Objectives of the workshop and agenda of the day</b>                        | Evaluation Helpdesk                         |
| • <b>Climate change in the EU: Current context and trends</b>                    | European Commission DG AGRI                 |
| • <b>Assessing RDPs contribution to climate change mitigation and adaptation</b> | European Commission DG AGRI                 |
| • <b>Increasing capacities of RDPs to respond to climate change challenges</b>   | Evaluation Helpdesk                         |

### 14.30 Coffee break

### 15:00 Sharing experiences

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| • <b>Case studies from Member States</b>  | Case study presenters (evaluators, Managing Authorities, experts) |
| • <b>Reflection round on case studies</b> | Moderation Evaluation Helpdesk                                    |

### 18.00 End of day 1

19:00 Optional social event (to be confirmed)

## Agenda 11 Feb 2014

### 09:00 Identifying effective responses

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| • <b>Introduction to the day</b>                                                                           | Moderation Evaluation Helpdesk |
| • <b>RDP climate change mitigation and adaptation activities in Europe: presentation of survey results</b> | Evaluation Helpdesk            |
| • <b>Group work: mapping effective RDP responses to climate change mitigation and adaptation</b>           |                                |

### 11:00 Coffee break

### 11:15 Concluding session

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| • <b>Summary conclusions</b> | Moderation Evaluation Helpdesk |
| • <b>Next steps</b>          | European Commission            |
| • <b>Workshop closing</b>    | Evaluation Helpdesk            |

### 13.00 End of workshop (light lunch)

*Please note: Flight, transport and accommodation needs to be arranged by the participants.*