

# Building DG AGRI's "internal" network

## *(Meet your Desk-Officer!)*

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# What was discussed:

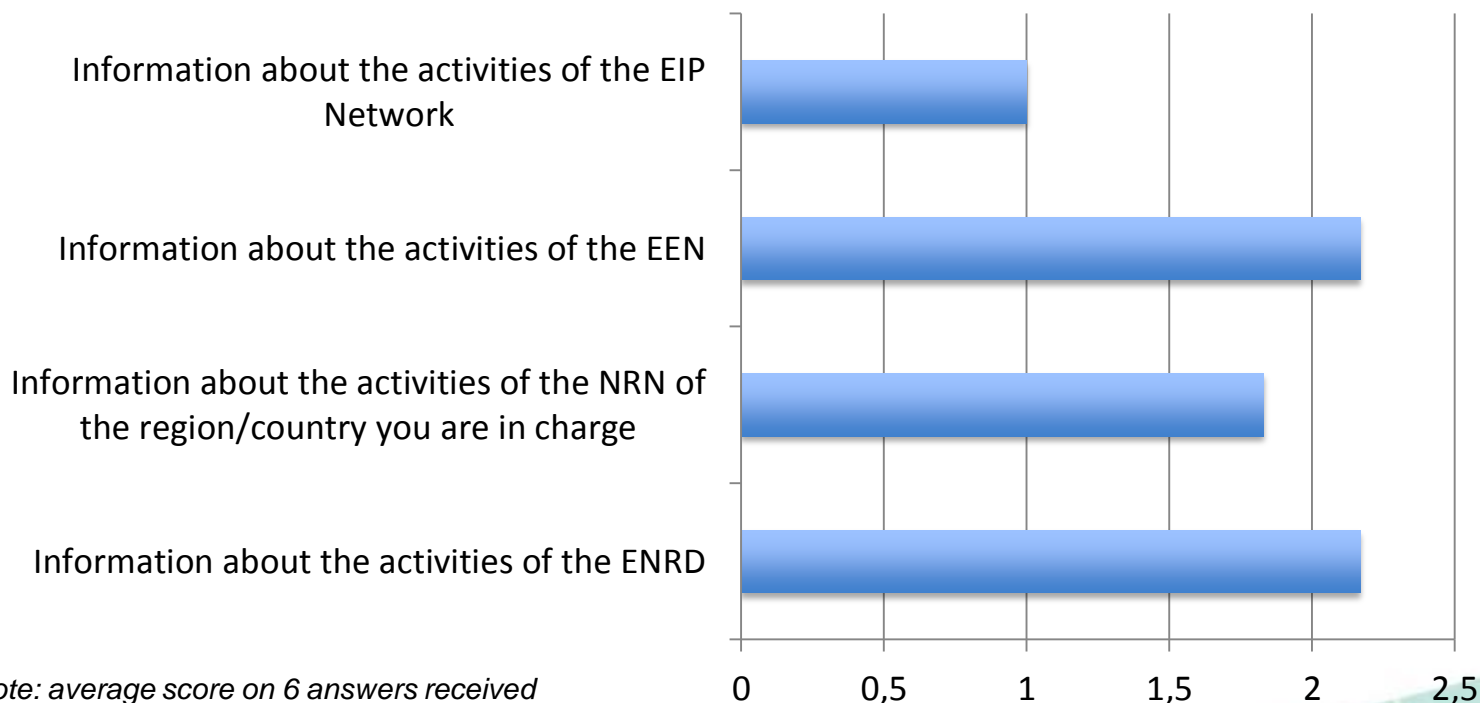
*« The Value of Rural Network – Workshop for DG ARI Desk-Officers »*

*10 October 2013*

- **2007-2013 rural networking at the EU and national level**
- **Examples of Networking added value from 4 NRNs**
- **Regulatory framework for Networks 2014-2020**
- **Networking for innovation**

## How would you assess your level of information about rural networks' activities?

Poor (1) – Sufficient (2) – Good (3) - Excellent (4)

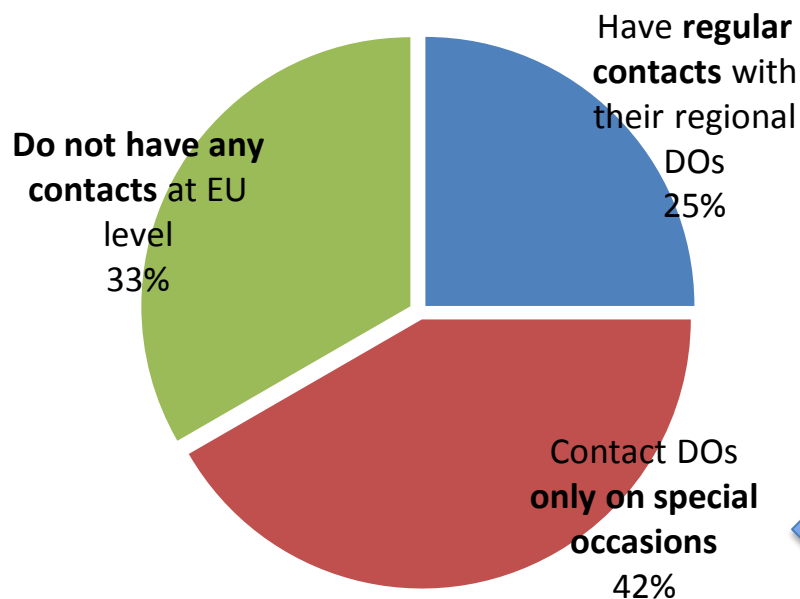


Note: average score on 6 answers received

## How would you assess your working relationship with the **NRN(s)** that you work with?

**For DG AGRI Desk-Officers**  
(6 answers received)

How would you assess your working relationship with the DG AGRI geographical **Desk-Officer(s)** that you work with?



**For Network Support Units**  
(12 answers received)

# TIME FOR A CHANGE!



NSU

DO

The PAST

The FUTURE





# How engaging with networks can contribute to DOs' work?

## ...some thoughts:

- ✓ Getting a better picture and « feeling » of what RDPs are producing on-the-ground: **analyses, good practices, success stories, newsletters, publications, etc.**
- ✓ « Intermediary » functions between the EU and the local level, better understanding of stakeholders' needs
- ✓ Better knowledge of national /regional rural development stakeholders and their involvement / participation
- ✓ Mutual support in assessing what is going well and less well, highlight issues, work towards positive policy outcomes
- ✓ Better informed «judgement » about future NRNs' role and activities (TA part of the RDPs)

# Towards better networking with Desk-Officers

**Networks  
are on-the-ground  
« eyes and ears »**

***What is needed?***

**Face to face meetings with NSUs**

**Participation to NRR and ENRD meetings**

**Use better existing tools and information**

**NSUs to provide targeted information**

**Help in formulating the right questions**

**Strengthen the network of RDP managers**

For more information check the ENRD website:

[http://enrd.ec.europa.eu/en-rd-events-and-meetings/seminars-and-conferences/the-value-of-rural-networks/en/the-value-of-rural-networks\\_en.cfm](http://enrd.ec.europa.eu/en-rd-events-and-meetings/seminars-and-conferences/the-value-of-rural-networks/en/the-value-of-rural-networks_en.cfm)

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***WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT IT ?***

***ANY SUGGESTIONS ?***

***FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS ?***