



Evaluation of NRNs: Requirements and expectations

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Two programming periods

- *2007-2013*
- *2014-2020*

Evaluation of NRNs in each has specific characteristics!!



2007-2013 programming period: the story so far.....

- *NRNs new element of RD framework*
 - **Evaluation necessary!**
- *Initially nothing specific for NRNs in CMEF*
 - **Helpdesk guidance doc for MTE of NRNP**
 - **V little in MTEs of national RDPs**
 - **Specific evaluations of NRNPs**
- *Post MTE*
 - **1st GPW 7.2.2012**



2007-2013 programming period: still to come.....

- *Ex post evaluation*
 - **Due by 31.12.2016**
 - **Should cover NRNs and NRNPs**

- *Guidance now being produced*
 - **Structure and Part 1 already presented**
 - **Full draft for comment to be circulated**
 - **Includes guidance for NRN/NRNP evaluation**
 - **Finalised by June 2014**



2007-2013 programming period: Expectations!!!!

- *How have the NRNs contributed?*
 - **Intervention logic**
- *What have the NRNs contributed?*
 - **Identify achievements**
- *Identification of good practices*
- *What can we learn for the future?*

Ex post guidance will provide support to answer these questions

2014-2020 programming period: Expectations.....

- *Intervention logic designed from start*
 - **Clear objectives**
 - **Better understanding of intentions**
 - **Use of programme-specific elements**
- *Covered by ex ante*
 - **Support for good design**
- *Included in Evaluation Plan*
- *Better planning/design ➡ facilitates evaluation*
- *Better evaluation ➡ better understanding*

2014-2020 programming period: NRN Objectives.....

- **↑** *involvement of stakeholders in RD implementation*
- *Improve quality of implementation of RDPs*
- *Inform broader public and potential beneficiaries of policy and funding opportunities*
- *Foster innovation in agriculture, food production, forestry and rural areas*



2014-2020 programming period: Common M&E elements.....

- *Common output indicators*
 - **No. thematic/analytical exchanges**
 - **No. NRN communication tools**
 - **No. or ENRD activities where NRN participated**

- *Common EQ*
 - **To what extent has the NRN contributed to achieving the objectives of Article 54(2)?**

2014-2020 programming period: Programme specific elements.....

- *Additional indicators to assess NRN effects*
 - **Result indicators linked to specific objectives**
 - **Impact indicators?**
- *Evaluation questions*
 - **Linked to objectives, indicators and activities**
- *Evaluation activities as specified in EP*
 - **Identify achievement of NRN objectives and contribution to RDP(s)**

2014-2020 programming period: summary.....

- *Clearer initial structure*
 - **Objectives, intervention logic**
- *Space and need for programme-specific elements*
 - **Specific objectives, indicators, EQs**

This should result in closer links to programme, better evaluation and clearer demonstration of achievements



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Thank you!