

Refining the list of context indicators



Outcomes of the Groupwork & Conclusions

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- **Discuss** the preliminary list of Context Indicators (as proposed by ExCo meeting on 20 Sept. 2012)
- **Chose** a limited number of Common Context Indicators most relevant for each priority
- **Fill** the harvest sheet
- **Present** the group work result

Group work results for Priority 1

- #1 Economic development
- # 6 Labour productivity in agriculture
- #10 Labour productivity in food industry
- #14 Labour productivity in forestry

Remark: an indicator on “training and education in agriculture” is still needed

Group work results for Priority 2 and 3

- #5 Age structure
- #6 Labour productivity in agriculture
- #7 Gross fixed capital formation in agriculture
- #39 Agricultural land use
- #40 Farm structure

Remarks:

- *basic data should be used in composite way*
- *Priority 3 indicators to be developed OR to be covered through programme-specific data (e.g. Members of farmers in organisations)*

Group work results for Priority 4 and 5

- # 23 Soil: organic farming
- # 25 Climate change: UAA devoted to renewable energy
- # 39 Agricultural land use
- # 43 Land cover
- # 44 Less Favoured Areas
- # 45 Areas of extensive agriculture
- # 46 Natura 2000
- # 47 Biodiversity: protected forest
- # 50 Water quality
- # 51 Water use

Group work results for Priority 6

- # 2 (employment rate) and # 3 (unemployment) together
- # 30 self-employed development
- # 31 tourism infrastructure in rural areas
- # 32 Internet take-up in rural areas
- # 33 Development of service sector
- # 38 Importance of rural areas (definition needed!)
- # 53 Population density
- # 54 Age structure (additionally in rural areas)

Conclusions

- Common context indicators should not crowd out programme-specific indicators
- Timing problem needs to be taken into account: SWOT has already started in many Member States, the longer we go on the more difficult and costly it will be to adapt

- **Proposed solution for context indicators:**
 - Reduced list of **common context indicators** must still cover the whole situation; should identify issues that are not issues
 - Common context indicators should be relevant at EU level and EU data should be available.
 - Conditions: All impact indicators would per se be included in the common context indicators (This provides the baseline value.); some of the target indicators require a context indicator (e.g. UAA, number of farmers, ...)

 - Further evidence for programme strategy and design provided through **programme-specific context indicators** (→ intervention logic must be justified)



Thank you for your attention!

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