



# Answering evaluation questions in ex post evaluation

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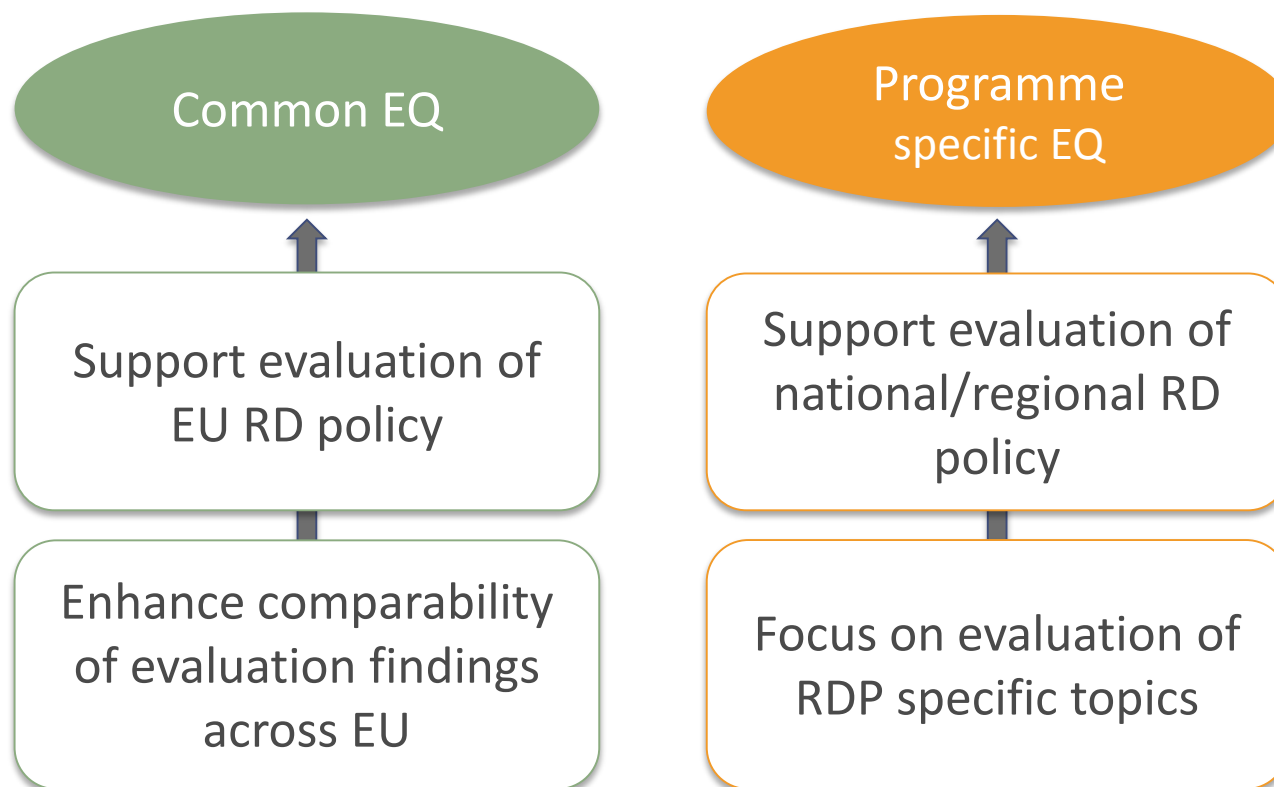
# Role of evaluation questions in ex post

Focus the evaluation on **policy achievements**, reflecting the **programme intervention logic**, i.e. SWOT, needs, objectives, measures, allocated funds etc.

Demonstrate the **progress, effectiveness and efficiency, results, impact, relevance**, of rural development policy

Establish the **causal- effect**: „To what extent ...the change happened.....due to the programme“

# Common and programme specific evaluation questions





# Programme specific EQs

...are formulated in Member States for example, when:

- CEQs do not capture the full range of achievements of objectives of the programme or axes
- National (territorial) priorities are not covered by CEQs,
- Programme shows potential indirect, unexpected – positive/negative effects,
- Stakeholders require to evaluate specific evaluation topics (e.g. RDP delivery, administration etc.).



# Evaluation questions in MTE 2010 - lesson learned

- Overall too large set of CEQs
- Uncertainty on general concept (e.g. : mix of thematic- impact- and implementation-related horizontal evaluation questions)
- Unclear formulation of EQs and missing definitions of key terms
- Missing judgment criteria
- Inconsistency:
  - between CEQ and the policy framework
  - between CEQs and RD indicators
- Insufficient guidance for answering EQs
- Insufficient planning and preparing the evaluation → difficulties in collecting data to answer CEQs



# Revised set of common evaluation questions for the ex post

New!

**Original set** of 150 common evaluation questions of CMEF has been **simplified and reduced** to the essential demand for knowledge from the European perspective.

## 3 groups of CEQs

### Programme-related:

- Community strategic priorities
- Health Check objectives
- 7 impact indicators
- TA and NRN
- Efficiency of RDP resources

### Measure-related:

- Contribution of the measure to its axis objectives
- Other measure effects and contribution to other axes objectives

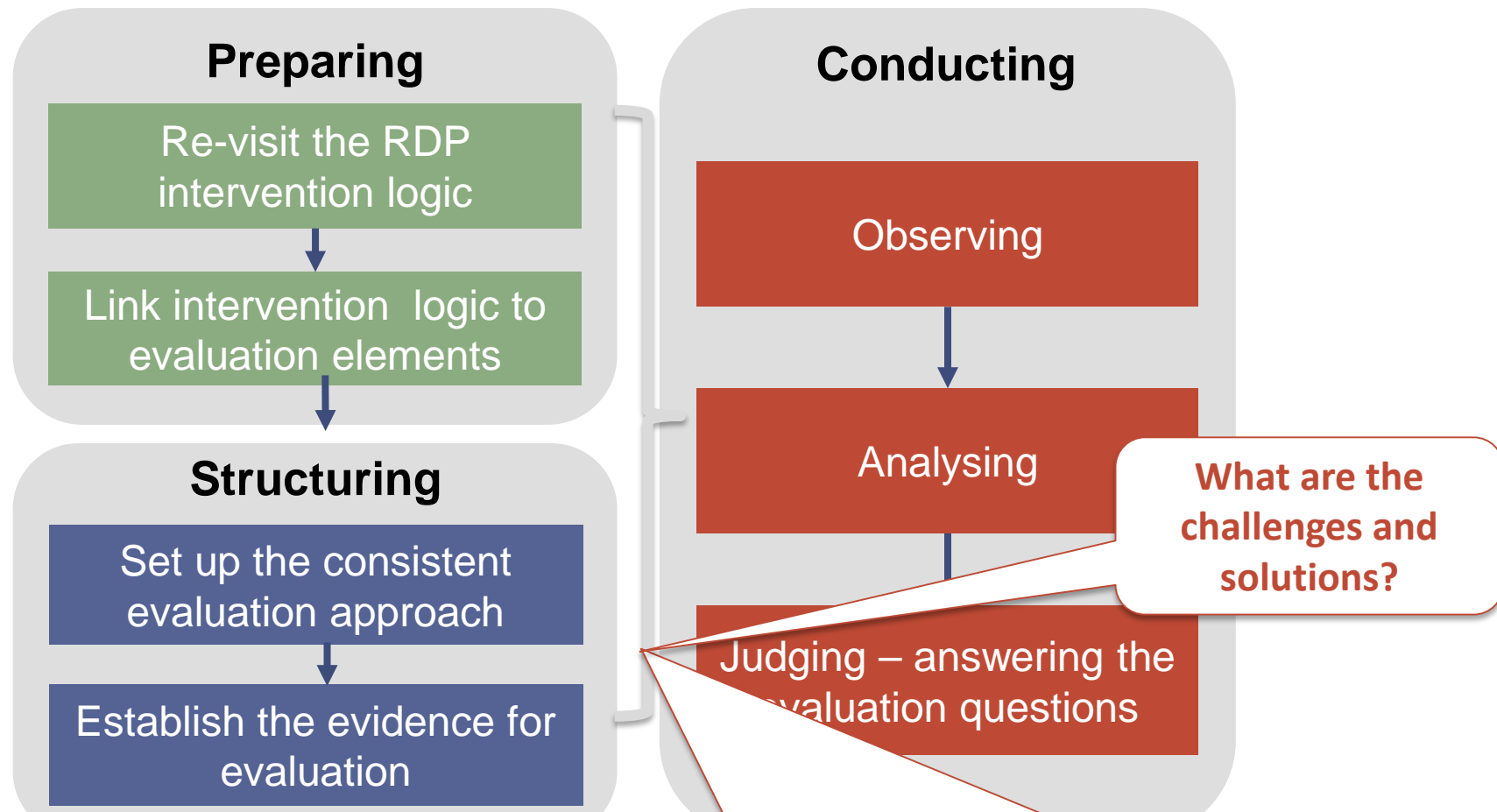
### Leader approach-related:

- Community strategic priorities: Employment, diversification and governance
- Leader approach
- LAG contribution to LDS and RDP





# Evaluation system to answer the evaluation questions and conduct the evaluation 2014-2020



To what extent can it be applicable for answering the evaluation questions during the ex post evaluation of 2007 – 2013 RDPs?





# Thank you for your attention!

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