TOOL 1.1

INDICATIVE ROADMAP FOR THE EX-ANTE EVALUATION AND STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE CAP STRATEGIC PLAN

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The following slides show possible ways of organizing the Ex-ante evaluation and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) as interlinked exercises to the programming of the CAP Strategic Plan:

• **The first figure** focuses on the Ex-ante evaluation. It provides step-by-step feedback along the preparation of the single chapters of the CAP Strategic Plan, keeping in mind the consistency and living character of the whole CAP Strategic Plan until its submission.

• **The second figure** focuses on the SEA, providing an iterative feedback on the CAP Strategic Plan from an environmental point of view, covering the various elements, reporting and consultation requirements included in the SEA directive and its national transpositions.
Ex-ante evaluation (incl. SEA) of CAP Strategic Plan

Design of CAP Strategic Plan (Art. 95)

- Consideration of national and regional needs and potentials for development (Art. 125.3.a)
  - Assessment of needs (Art. 96): summary SWOT (Art. 103), identification of needs for specific objectives, assessment of needs for risk management, specific needs of vulnerable geographic areas, prioritisation and ranking of needs
  - Lessons learned from implementation of the CAP in previous programming periods taken into account (Art. 125.3.a)

- Contribution to CAP specific objectives (Art. 125.3.a)
- Internal coherence and relationship with other instruments (Art. 125.3.b)
- Consistency of budgetary resources with specific objectives (Art. 125.3.c)
- Contribution of outputs to results (Art. 125.3.d)
- Realistic target values for results (Art. 125.3.e)
- Suitability of milestones for results (Art. 125.3.e)
- Rationale for use of financial instruments financed by the EAFRD (Art. 125.3.j)

Ex-ante evaluation
Appraisal of the assessment of needs incl. SWOT

- Governance and coordination systems
- Modernisation / Simplification

Intervention strategy, targets, milestones

- SEA feedback
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Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Ex-ante evaluation of CAP Strategic Plan


1. Appraisal of the assessment of needs incl. SWOT
   - Design of CAP Strategic Plan (Art. 95)
     - SWOT analysis of current situation
     - Assessm. of needs

2. Appraisal of the intervention strategy, targets, milestones
   - Intervent. Strategy
   - Consist. of strategy
   - Common elements
   - Descrip. of interventions
   - Targets and financial plans

3. Appraisal of monitoring, data collection, implementation system
   - Gover- nance and coord. systems
   - Modernis. / Simplification

Ex-ante feedback

Finalisation

Submission of CAP Strategic Plan incl. Ex-ante and SEA

SEA feedback

Revision

SEA feedback

SEA feedback

SEA feedback

SEA Scoping

SEA Env. Report

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)