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Monitoring and Evaluation Methods for EU Funds - How to Measure the Success of Projects and Programmes

European Seminar
16th - 17th September 2010, Berlin, Germany

Brochure

EUROPEAN SEMINAR

Monitoring and Evaluation Methods for EU Funds

- How to Measure the Success of Projects and Programmes

BACKGROUND

The transparent presentation of programme activities becomes increasingly essential in the EU Funds practice. Responsible bodies like Regional Development Agencies need a qualified database on output, results and the impacts of project measures.

The monitoring and evaluation of projects and operational programmes aims at improving the quality, effectiveness and consistency of the assistance from EU Funds. The EU Commission requires that evaluation systems are linked to the monitoring of operational programmes. This enables regional and national authorities to undertake prompt actions in case the implementation process manifests a significant deviance from the goals initially set. Therefore a proper toolkit of evaluation methods is crucial for the coming activities of EU Funds management.

Both on national and regional level EU-strategies and -programmes have to be evaluated regularly. But how to measure the success of European Structural Funds? And how to assess the impact of actions and the economic growths in your country?

SEMINAR CONTENTS

This practical seminar focuses on the proper monitoring and evaluation methodology. Experts give an overview on evaluation in the current programming period. Moreover, they present and discuss the results and experiences of the final reports 2000 – 2006 as well as European Commission requirements of ongoing evaluation measures in the period 2007 – 2013. The toolkit consisting of baseline indicators, impact indicators or result indicators will be introduced. Best practice and successful case studies from different Member States enrich the programme flow.

TEACHING METHODS

- Lectures and case studies
- Best practice examples from old and new Member States
- Every presentation is followed by a qualified Q&A Session to discuss both general and individual questions with the experts
- Interactive exchange of experiences and ideas
- Rich course material and hand-outs

TARGET GROUP

This seminar is targeted at public offices responsible for Monitoring and Evaluation of Operational Programmes of EU Funds as well as public authorities responsible for regional policy and EU Structural Funds such as:

- Ministries of Regional Development
- Ministries of Economy
- Ministries of Finance
- Ministries of Transport
- Ministries of Labour
- Ministries of Education
- Ministries of Agriculture
- Regional Development Agencies
- National Development Agencies
- Investment Agencies
- Regional Networking Groups involved in cluster projects and initiatives

From Departments such as:

- Evaluation Unit
- EU Funds Management Department
- Project Implementation Unit
- Business Improvement Services
- Strategy and Business Planning
- Clusters Policy
- Regional Development Strategies

Furthermore this seminar is addressed to:

- Consulting Companies in the field of regional policy and regional development strategies

Compulsory Course for Master of Management in EU Funds

YOUR BENEFIT

- Learn how to evaluate the efficiency of programmes and measures
- Get information on how to assess the effects of different evaluation tools
- Gain knowledge on fund management issues in the field of monitoring and evaluation
- Familiarise yourself with different models, indicators, measures and tools
- Learn the latest evaluation models for regional policy makers
- Gain the knowledge how to assess the economic impact of major projects
- Get best practice examples from several member states
- Exchange knowledge and experience with employees of institutions from other Member States

PROGRAMME DAY 1

Monitoring and Evaluation Methods for EU Funds

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16th September 2010

8.30-9.00

Registration and Hand-out of Seminar Material

9.00-9.05

Opening Remarks from the European Academy for Taxes, Economics & Law

9.05-9.15

Welcome Note from the Chair

Stanislaw Bienias, Head of National Evaluation Unit, Department of Structural Policy Coordination Ministry of Regional Development, Poland

9.15-9.45

Monitoring and Evaluation: An Introduction

- Overview on monitoring and evaluation in current programming period
- Monitoring and evaluation – looking at different perspectives

Stanislaw Bienias, Head of National Evaluation Unit, Department of Structural Policy Coordination Ministry of Regional Development, Poland

9.45-10.00

Q&A Session

10.00-10.30

Coffee Break

10.30-11.00

Evaluation Models for Regional Policy Makers

- International state of the art of regional economic modeling
- Examples of regional economic policy impact assessment methods used in the EU (from DG Employment research project)
- Case studies of policy impact assessment with some models
- Trends and future research
- Conclusions and recommendations

Gerbrand van Bork, Senior Economist ECORYS, The Netherlands

11.00-11.15

Q&A Session

11.15-12.15

Evaluation Requirements in ESF, ERDF, CF and how to Implement them

- European regulations and existing working documents
- Organisation of evaluation system
- Building the evaluation culture and coordination
- Use of evaluation results
- Evaluation strategy for specific structural funds
- Best practice in Member States

Stanislaw Bienias, Head of National Evaluation Unit, Department of Structural Policy Coordination Ministry of Regional Development, Poland

12.15-12.30

Q&A Session

12.30-13.45

Lunch Break

13.45-14.45

Evaluation Step-by-Step –

How to Carry out a Successful Evaluation Study?

- Elaborating terms of reference for evaluation research
- How to manage the research process to receive good quality report?
- Different methods of simple and complex interventions - impact evaluation
- Best practice in Poland

Stanislaw Bienias, Head of National Evaluation Unit, Department of Structural Policy Coordination Ministry of Regional Development, Poland

14.45-15.00

Q&A Session

15.00-15.30

Coffee Break

15.30-16.15

Measuring Tools for Monitoring and Evaluation of ERDF Projects

- Types of indicators
- Monitoring and evaluation plans
- Product, result and impact indicators
- Indicators quality criteria

Stanislaw Bienias, Head of National Evaluation Unit, Department of Structural Policy Coordination Ministry of Regional Development, Poland

16.15-16.30

Q&A Session

16.30-17.00

How to Assess the Economic Impact of Major Projects

- Major projects, what makes them special?
- Recent developments in Cost-Benefit Analysis of major projects
- Types of impacts of major projects
- Models used for demand analysis and economic impact assessment for major projects in EU
- Case: impacts of a major transport or urban development project
- Conclusions and recommendations

Gerbrand van Bork, Senior Economist ECORYS, The Netherlands

17.00

End of Day One

PROGRAMME DAY 2

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9.00 - 9.05

Welcome Note from the Chair

**Stanislaw Bienias, Head of National Evaluation Unit,
Department of Structural Policy Coordination Ministry of
Regional Development, Poland**

9.05-10.00

Case Study: National Level

- Results and experiences of the 2000-2006 programming period
- Selected reports
- Best practice examples

**Stanislaw Bienias, Head of National Evaluation Unit,
Department of Structural Policy Coordination Ministry of
Regional Development, Poland**

10.00-10.15

Q&A Session

10.15-10.45

Coffee Break

10.45-11.30

Lessons from London for City and Regional Policy Makers

- Brief history of London's economic development
- Factors for London's success
- Future challenges and how London will tackle them
- Summary of lessons for urban and regional policy

**Rob Whitehead, Head of Strategy and Business Planning,
London Development Agency, United Kingdom**

11.30-11.45

Q&A Session

11.45-12.30

Collaborative Network Programme

– Northern Ireland Experience

- Establishment of measures to see whether support has been effective
- How to effective support clusters and networks
- Efficient measures
- Evaluation tools
- Evaluation results

**David McKeown, Business Improvement Services in Invest,
Northern Ireland**

12.30-12.45

Q&A Session

12.45-14.00

Lunch

14.00-14.45

Case Study: Collaborative Network Programme

- First-hand experience from an expert on collaborative network
- What do you have to consider for a project to succeed
- Useful tools to predict success

**David McKeown, Business Improvement Services in Invest,
Northern Ireland**

14.45-15.00

Q&A Session

15.00-15.30

Coffee Break

15.30-16.00

Panel Discussion: Future Perspectives

- Future prospects of evaluation on national and regional level
- Panel discussion and open discussion with the audience

**Gerbrand van Bork, Senior Economist ECORYS,
The Netherlands**

**David McKeown, Business Improvement Services in Invest,
Northern Ireland**

**Rob Whitehead, Head of Strategy and Business Planning,
London Development Agency, United Kingdom**

16.00

End of Seminar and Hand-out of Certificates

SPEAKERS

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STANISLAW BIENIAS

Head of National Evaluation Unit, Department of Structural Policy Coordination, Ministry of Regional Development, Poland

Since 2004 Stanislaw Bienias has been working in the Polish Ministry of Regional Development for the National Evaluation Unit, since 2006 as head of this unit. He has been responsible for organising the process of evaluation on the level of the National Development Plan 2004-2006 and the National Strategic Reference Framework 2007-2013. Furthermore, he has coordinated the work of more than 50 evaluation units located in operational programmes and for building the evaluation culture in public administration. In his extensive experience he took part in the preparation of more than 100 evaluation researches and dozens of conferences and evaluation trainings. Stanislaw Bienias represents Poland in DG REGIO Evaluation Network meetings and gives lectures concerning evaluation, monitoring and indicators on postgraduate studies.

DAVID MCKEOWN

Business Improvement Services in Invest, Northern Ireland

David McKeown has managed Invest NIs Networking Team since 2007 and was involved in establishing the Collaborative Network Programme. He has worked in the field of economic development since 1992 working with sectors such as electronics, construction and contact centres. His current role also includes developing benchmarking activities among SMEs in Northern Ireland. David McKeown has also worked as a Project Manager for the implementation of an Electronic Record Management system in Invest NI. Before moving to economic development David McKeown was a qualified accountant.

ROB WHITEHEAD

Head of Strategy and Business Planning, London Development Agency, United Kingdom

Rob Whitehead heads up the London Development Agency's (LDA) Strategy and Business Planning Team, five years after joining the LDA via a project helping London win the 2012 Olympic Games. He is currently responsible for the LDA's 4 year Investment Strategy and all their business plans, which gives them real insight into the working of an RDA. He has worked extensively on London's efforts to maximise the regeneration benefits of the Olympics, and on the writing of the Mayor of London's Economic Development Strategy. Prior taking up a post at the London Development Agency Rob Whitehead worked in the international development NGO Actionaid on projects in Brazil, Haiti, Kenya and Guatemala. He has also worked on the UK national government initiative to eradicate child poverty in London and recently spoke about London at the Dynamic Regions conference in Shannon, Ireland. He has an MBA from Cranfield School of Management and Ecole de Management de Lyon.

DR. GERBRAND VAN BORK

Senior Consultant Ecorys, The Netherlands

Gerbrand van Bork is Senior Economist and Project Manager in ECORYS Netherlands and Manager Business Development for ECORYS International in Turkey. His working experience is about 16 years in the expertise areas regional development, transport and environment policies and projects. Dr. Gerbrand van Bork has managed a large variety of economic impact and Cost-Benefit Analysis studies of policies and major projects in these areas in a range of countries. Recently he was involved as key expert in a study for the European Commission reviewing the methods in the EU for impact assessment of social and employment policies.

ORGANISATIONAL MATTERS

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S-224

DATE OF EVENT

16th and 17th September 2010, Berlin, Germany

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