

Challenges from point of view of an evaluation expert

Presentation

Workshop „Drafting Terms of References for ex ante evaluation“



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Ex ante evaluation

- > ... aims to **analyse the status quo and envisage the end status desired** while a rural development programme (RDP) is being developed.
- > ... gathers **information** and serves as **input** for this RDP.
- > ... gives a **point of reference** for the assessment of the deficits and gaps in the initial situation and the possible impacts of the measures of a RDP based on previous evaluations.



The old versus the new: lessons learned



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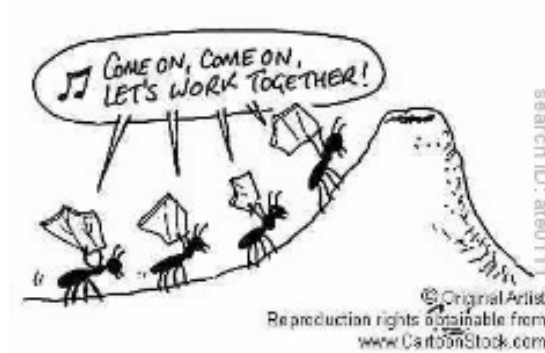


CLEAR challenges

- > **Concise outline for an ex ante report**
- > **Little changes – don't fix it if it is not broken**
- > **Easy framework (objectives, data collection, ...):**
 - > Objectives to be defined based on the situation/changes desired (ranking inequalities)
 - > SMART indicators, in line with the points of reference, transparent
 - > expected level of expenditure (budget resources)
 - > micro- and macro-economic data, defined by region
 - > Methodology used
- > **Appropriate contingency plan in case of targets not being reached**
- > **Relevant steps to be considered (check list for ex ante evaluation)**



Thanks for your attention!



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