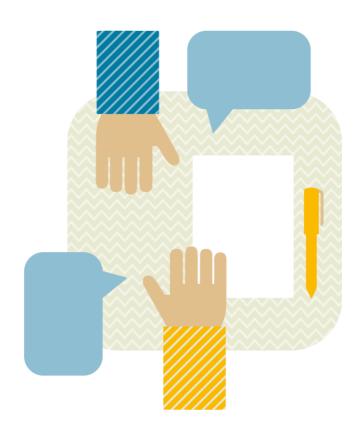


## **Evaluation Update**



**28-29 June 2018** Edinburgh, Scotland







## **Outlines and Objectives**

Interact invites representatives from Interreg programmes working on and with evaluations to join this workshop to discuss the current status quo in their evaluation process, including operational (implementation) and impact evaluations.

We will first reflect on the process of the operational evaluation focusing on the outcome and follow up of these evaluations. How are Interreg programmes implementing the results of the operational evaluation? Did it have any effect on procedures in terms of efficiency or did programmes manage to reduce the administrative burden for beneficiaries? How to follow up on that?

As far as the impact evaluation is concerned we will present an overview of available Term of Reference (ToR) from Interreg programmes, concentrating mainly on the evaluation questions and proposed approaches, methods & techniques.

In addition, Interreg programmes and their evaluators will present their experience of launching a ToR for impact evaluation by looking into following questions: what kind of offers did the programme receive, how did they select the expert, which method did the expert propose, and what are lessons learned regarding the inception or eventual interim reports.

On the second day we will follow up on other aspects of impact assessment approaches such as e.g. the Territorial Impact Assessment (TIA) which is currently developed from ESPON for 5 Interreg CBC programmes. The approach aims to develop a TIA method for Interreg CBC programmes. They will present what approach and method was selected and what are the lessons learned so far.

Finally, we will also discuss the new regulation and present what is going to be changed in post 2020 related to evaluation and indicators.

Throughout the workshop guidance and feedback will be available from representatives from the Evaluation Unit of DG Regio.

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Day 1: Thursday, 28 June 2018		
09.00 - 09.30	Registration and welcome coffee	
09.30 - 11.00	Welcome and introduction Interact	
	Depicting of status quo of your programme evaluation: identifying main challenges and support needed	
11.00 - 11.20	Coffee break	
11.20 - 12.00	News from the evaluation unit regarding the current programme evaluations  Presentation and Q&A David Alba, Evaluation Unit, European Commission	
12.00 - 12.45	Operational Evaluation, focusing on the follow up activities e.g. reduction of administrative burden  Presentation and Q&A, Gianluca Ferreri, 2 Seas Interreg programme	
12.45- 13.00	Introduction to Impact evaluation: presenting of the different approaches (questions & methods proposed in the ToR/offers)  Presentation and discussion round, Interact	
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch break	
14.00 - 14.30	Impact Evaluation: questions, methods and proceedings (follow up communication)  Presentation and Q&A, Phil Heaton, Interreg VA France (Channel) England Programme programme	
14:30 - 14.45	Lessons learned from impact evaluation from the perspective of an evaluator  Presentation and Q&A, Andreas Resch, Metis GmbH	
14.45 - 15.30	Group exercise on how to capture the impact	
15.30 - 15.50	Coffee break	



15.50 - 16.30	Impact Evaluation: questions, methods and proceedings (follow up communication)
	Presentation and Q&A, Fiona Woo, Interreg Baltic Sea Region programme
16.30 - 16.45	Wrap up and End of day 1
Day 2: Friday, 29	June 2018
09.00 - 09.15	Introduction Interact
09.15 - 09.45	What is new in the regulation post 2020 related to evaluation Presentation and Q&A David Alba, Evaluation Unit, European Commission
09.45 - 10.15	Update ESPON Presentation and Q&A Zintis Hermansons, ESPON EGTC
10.15 - 10.45	What to do with the findings & plan for follow up Presentation and Q&A, Andreas Resch, Metis GmbH
10.45 - 11.00	Coffee Break
11.00 - 12.00	How to use the evaluation to improve the programme – involvement of the MC and the Evaluation Steering Group Group exercise
12.00 - 12.15	Wrap up of the event and upcoming events
12.15 - 13.00	Farewell Lunch