

Use of HIT templates

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What is HIT?

"Harmonised Implementation Tools" are templates and guidance documents developed for a wide range of programme management tasks, and for the interaction with beneficiaries throughout the project and programme life cycle.



What is HIT?

- Project selection
 - Application Form, Budget table for Application, Declaration template, Administrative eligibility checklist, Quality Assessment Criteria, Model Template for complaint procedures and Guidance to Intervention logic
- Project implementation
 - Partnership Agreement, Subsidy Contract, Partner Progress Report, Finance Progress
 Reports, Project Progress Report Monitoring checklist
- HIT for financial control and audit
 - List of documents for verification, Certificate of expenditures, FLC Report, FLC Checklist, Risk assessment methodology
- HIT for eligibility of expenditure
 - Fact Sheets about eligibility per budget heading



Hi(t)story

- HIT development happened 2012-2014
- Participatory process with 42 programmes
- 23 programmes clear commitment to the process
- 53 programmes intention was to use HIT (out of 89) 2015
- HIT was the basis of eMS
- 2018 eMS survey: 2nd biggest advantage of using eMS was harmonization of templates and procedures with other programmes



Use of HIT – survey midterm results

Case-based impact evaluation of Interact

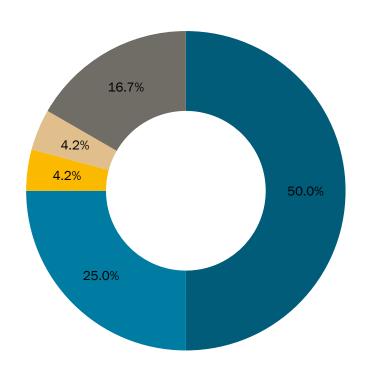
So far 24 programmes answered the survey

"Mid-time results"





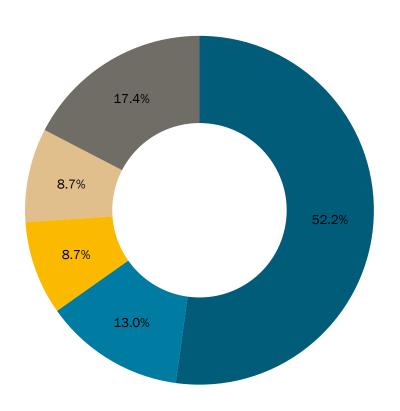
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- To some extent (between 40-80%).
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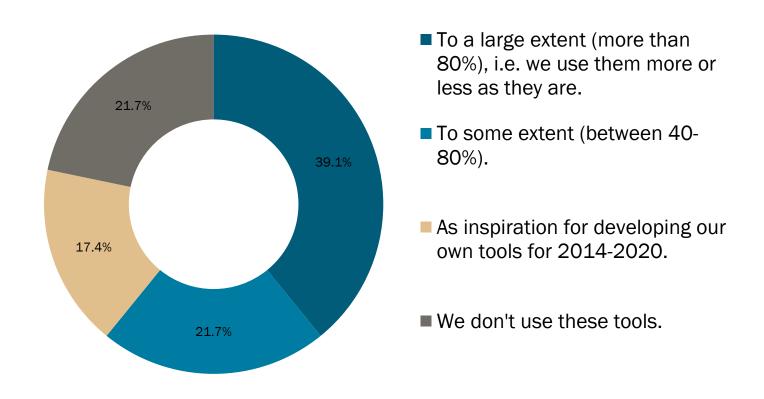
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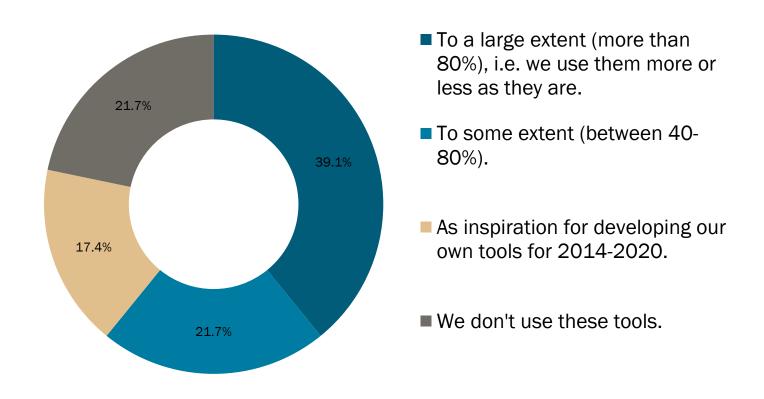


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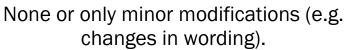


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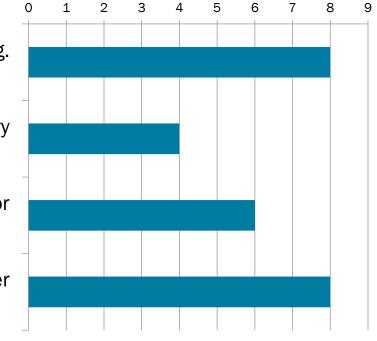
Modifications to the Application Form



Substantial changes to compulsory questions or tables.

Omission of (compulsory) questions or tables.

Additional questions or tables (other than the optional ones).



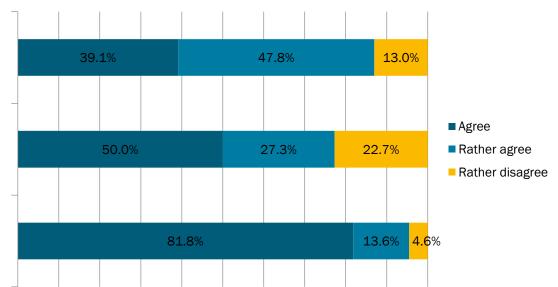


The future generation of HIT should strive for...

Greater degree of harmonisation between programmes of all strands.

Greater flexibility for programmes to adapt HITs to their specific needs.

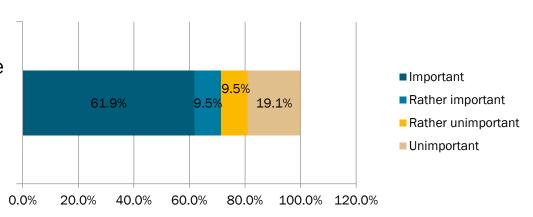
Greater degree of simplification for applicants and beneficiaries.





How important is the benefit that HIT provided the basis for the development of eMS?

HIT provided the basis for the development of a common monitoring system (eMS) for Interreg programmes.





Group exercise

- **Table 1** (Katrin) Which data would you like to extract and compare among Interreg programmes?
- Table 2 (Peter) What can be done differently to improve HIT respecting monitoring systems?
- Table 3 (Bogusia) Which templates and procedures would you like to harmonise for post 2020?
- Table 4 (Christoph) What were the main challenges to include templates in the monitoring system? How can we move away from 'paper thinking'?
- Table 5 (Aija) How should we develop HIT for the next period?
 When would you need it to be ready?



Cooperation works

All materials will be available on:

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