

Gold Plating

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Group work!

Timing:

40 minutes

Task:

- Share with others how the control system is built in your programme
- Pick the most elaborated and complicated one
- Draw the scheme at the flip
- Briefly present to other groups





Regulatory framework

CPR, art. 125 (5) – management verifications

European Commission European Court of Auditors

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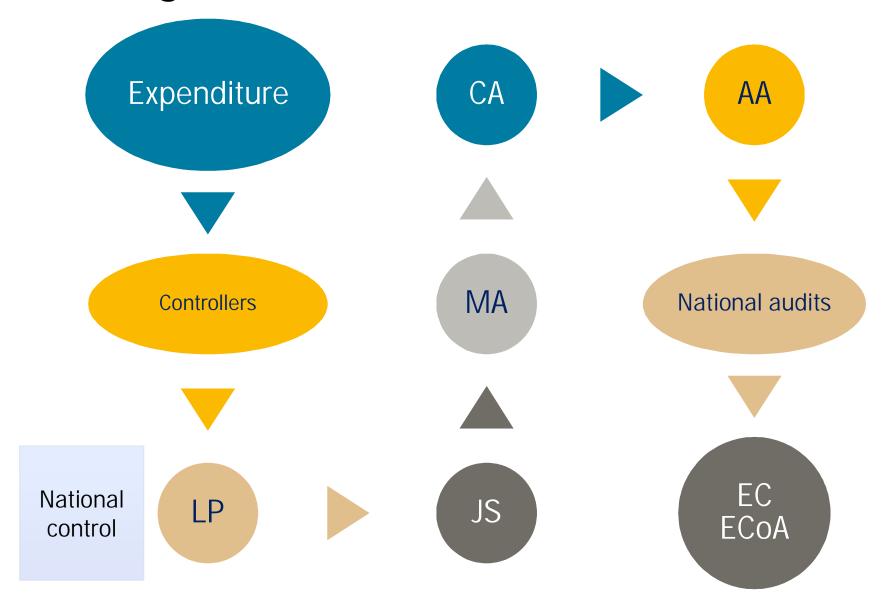
External audit

CPR, art. 127 (1)

– audit of operations



Management verifications and audits





What is gold plating?

Imposing additional administrative obligations on top of the minimum requirements set by the ESIF regulatory framework; i.e. additional work burden without or with marginal added value

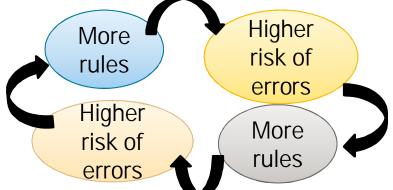




Golg plating in Interreg

- Affecting more strongly as high numbers of administrative players
- Increases cost for programme administration and beneficiaries – decreases attractiveness of Interreg

Vicious circle:



- Decreases projects quality -> compliance over performance
- Unfair towards smaller organisations as beneficiaries



Examples

Timesheets for staff working a fixed % Multi language programme

Checking if flat rate for admin costs meets actual admin costs

Asking projects to submit documents which are not checked at programme level

Most economic = the cheapest

Setting ceiling costs in travel and accommodation

Bid-of three rule at programme level

100% control instead of sampling

Asking for handwritten document while electronic system in place



Cooperation works

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