

Evaluation Update



26 May 2021 (09.30 – 12.30 CET)

Online event
Draft agenda





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Outline

Evaluations facilitate learning and help us, Interreg programmes, to improve our work. Now is a perfect moment to have a look at impact and operational evaluations for our programmes' activities in 2014-2020 in order to understand the changes that need to be implemented in the period 2021-2027.

The overarching aim of the event is to find out if (and which) lessons learnt from 2014-2020 evaluations have been taken into account during the 2021-2027 programming process and how they have influenced the programming process and the future programme: Which evaluation elements have contributed or contribute to better understanding and mutual learning in the programming process?

More concrete, the objective of the event is to discuss and understand the following questions:

- What actual changes did our programmes bring?
- Which lessons can Interreg programmes learn from the evaluation in order to implement them in the next period?
- What changes of mindsets, perceptions and attitudes did we achieve?
- How can we effectively take over these changes to the period 2021-2027?
- What has been the role of evaluation in these transformation processes?

During the event we will discuss two different examples of evaluations (a mid-term evaluation and an evaluation on the efficiency and effectiveness) from different perspectives, i.e. the overarching view (the DG REGIO Evaluation Unit, the programme's and the evaluator's perspective).

Throughout the event, David Alba (European Commission, DG REGIO, Evaluation and European Semester Unit) will be present and share with us his expertise on these topics.

The target group of the meeting are managers from Interreg Joint Secretariats and Managing Authorities involved in evaluations and the preparation of the 2021-2027 programmes.



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Wednesday, 26 May 2021

09.20 – 09.30

Check-in to virtual meeting room and technical settings

Please join the virtual meeting room in good time to test and ensure that the technical settings enable you to participate actively in the meeting.

9.30 – 09.40

Welcome and introduction

Interact

09.40 – 10.20

DG REGIO update: Main lessons learned on Interreg evaluation reports – feedback based on the work of the evaluation helpdesk

*David Alba (Unit of Evaluation and European Semester, EC, DG REGIO)
Presentation and Q&A session*

10.20 – 11.05

Mid-term evaluation of Interreg Atlantic Area 2014-2020 (Ecorys Espana, June 2019)

Presentation by Sandra Tavares Da Silva (Atlantic Area)

Open discussion round with Sandra Tavares Da Silva (Atlantic Area); Javier Fernandez, (ECORYS); David Alba (Unit of Evaluation and European Semester, EC, DG REGIO); introduction & moderation Interact

11.05 – 11.15

Comfort Break

11.15 – 11.30

Share your evaluation concerns

Interactive exercise

11.30 – 12.15

Evaluation of the efficiency and effectiveness of Interreg Croatia-Bosnia and Herzegovina-Montenegro 2014-2020 (Wyg - T33, Oct. 2019)

Presentation by Danijela Merkler (IPA CBC Croatia- Bosnia and Herzegovina-Montenegro)

Open discussion round Danijela Merkler (IPA CBC Croatia- Bosnia and Herzegovina-Montenegro); Nicola Brignani (T33); David Alba (Unit of Evaluation and European Semester, EC, DG REGIO); introduction & moderation Interact

12.15 – 12.25

Lessons learned for 2021-2027

Interactive exercise

12.25 – 12.30

Wrap up & outlook



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Practicalities

Online meeting and meeting times

All times indicated in this agenda are CET (Brussels time).

We will meet online using the video conferencing tool Zoom. Together with your registration confirmation, you will receive the link and further information how to access the virtual meeting room.

To enable a swift start at 9:30, the virtual room will open 10 minutes before the meeting start and we will be present for your (technical) assistance.

Registration

Please register your participation here by Tuesday, 25 May 2021, [here](#).

Other information

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