

FAME Support Unit

Monitoring and Evaluation under the EMFF

FAME SU CT10 Needs assessment 2019: SWOT and target setting

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Background

- The FAME annual work plan asks for a needs assessment (NA) every second year;
- The main objective is to "ensure that the needs of the stakeholders are understood and that the activities of FAME can be targeted towards fulfilling these needs";
- NA 2015 focused on monitoring and evaluation capacity;
- NA 2017 focused on EMFF OP Evaluation.



EMFF post 2020, status quo

- The **legal framework post 2020** is currently under preparation.
- The Managing Authorities (MAs) have started preparing their Operational Programmes (OPs).
- Fiche 11 outlining the Common Monitoring and Evaluation System;
- Explains the principles of the system and defines the result indicators.



Needs assessment 2019

- Assist DG MARE, MAs and the Member State stakeholders involved in programming;
- Help implement the monitoring and evaluation system in relation to the SWOT;
- Find best practices in target setting;
- Enhance overall monitoring and evaluation capacity.



Status quo (12 June 2019)

- **Interviews** with the FAME geographic experts (May-August 2019);
- Topics are:
 - Institutional settings for the OP preparation
 - Programming 2014-2020 (framework, timing, logic, strategy and intervention logic, indicators and target setting)
 - Programming 2021-2027



Status quo (12 June 2019)

- 16 Member States have expressed interest;
- Interviews already held with CZ, CY, NL,
 BE;
- 12 interviews to be conducted soon;
- 1 pilot workshop to be held on 25 June 2019 in CZ (Prague);
- Remaining workshops with the MAs in September-December 2019.



Main messages I

- Experience from 2014-2020 demonstrates the target setting challenge;
- MAs plan to have draft OPs by end of 2019/beginning of 2020;
- MS ESIF coordination units can have a strong influence trying to harmonise different funds in the MS;
- OP flexibility is valued but help is needed to establish a consistent programme.



Main messages II

- Involvement of stakeholders is well planned and executed; messages however can be ambiguous;
- Variety of methods planned to capture the sector needs and formulate projections;
- Need for support with developing the causal chains and the intervention logic;
- Unclear how detailed MAs description of actions should be;
- External support considered; not always easy to find.



Thank you for your attention!



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