



Evaluation helpdesk of DG REGIO and EMPL

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The contract

Contractors: APPLICA / Ismeri Europa / Alphametrics

2015-2019

Support for evaluation units – not a "front office" vis-a-vis MS



Tasks - overview

		REGIO	EMPL
1	Assessment + summary of evaluations and evaluation plans	X	X
2	Expert review	X	X
3	Training	X	
4	Methodological support to MS	X	



T1 - Assessment of evaluation plans

1. Quality assessment – to evaluation units
2. Identification of future evaluations which are interesting (methodology, subject matter)
3. Database (what and when)



Evaluation plans assessed

Funds	Received in March 2016	Cumulative number by end of March 2016
ERDF + CF	2	70
ESF + YEI	1	41
ERDF + CF + ESF + YEI	4	76
Total	7	187

Source: Evaluation Helpdesk of Cohesion policy 2014-2020

2200 Evaluations planned (13 per plan)



Evaluation plans – rating of quality

(ERDF, CF, ESF, YEI)

Dimension assessed	Cumulative number by end of March 2016	
	Appropriate-ness and coherence	Complete-ness
Management and planning	2.8	2.8
Responsibility and coordination	3.1	3.0
Design and methods	2.5	2.4
Data availability and data systems	2.4	2.4
Skills and expertise	2.7	2.6
Use and communication	2.9	2.8
Overall score	2.7	2.7





T1 - Assessment of evaluations

1. Abstract
2. Quality assessment
3. Summary of main findings
4. Database on points 1-3

32 evaluations 2014-2020 received so far.



T2 - Expert review

Review of 3x4 evaluations per year

Pool of 8 experts



T3 - Training

Annual "summer schools" (3 days), mainly for managing authorities

September 2016, Malta: Design of impact evaluations and their ToR



T4 - Methodological support to MS

- 30 working days
- 10 x 2-day visits
- On specific evaluations
- "Application form" agreed with MS



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*Registration for Sofia conference, 16-17 June
2016*

<https://scic.ec.europa.eu/fmi/ezreg/COHESION2016/start>

