Drawing up risk-based methodologies – Polish experiences

28th September 2023, Tallinn, Interact's risk-based management verifications in Interreg

Interreg programmes in Poland and the control systems

8 cross-border programmes (4 managed by Poland)

> 3 transnational programmes

Control system:

11 control bodies in Poland (regional institutions)

+

4 control bodies in partner countries and decentralized system (independent controllers)
 in 3 countries – for programmes where Poland is the MA



Management verifications – Polish approach

Methodology for selecting payment claims

Methodology for selecting public procurement

Methodology for selecting expenditures

Methodology for on-the-spot verifications

Would you like to find out more on our approach – feel free to contact me! @, Linkedin

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Let the story begin....



Autumn 2021 –
first draft of
methodology for
payment claims on
the table

June 2022 – first presentation of the draft methodology

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How did we work?

- ✓ Internal brainstorming
- ✓ European Commission's, Interact's, Tesim's guidance
- ✓ Experiences from other countries (thank you Interact, especially for creating platform for exchange ☺)
- ✓ Written (e-mail) consultations of the draft with controllers + face to face meetings

When the crisis came





June 2022 – first presentation of the draft methodology

February 2023 – start of works on subsequent methodologies



How did we overcome the crisis?

- Need for practitioner's perspective was defined
- > Several thematic working groups were created type of think tank
- > Controllers' perspective confronted with the MA's one

We're on the roll

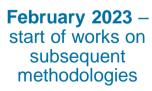




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Lessons learnt – have we succeed?

- The on-going cooperation with controllers was a key to success, each stage was "checked" with practitioners
- ➤ We jointly created as much "controller-friendly" system as possible
- Controllers being co-authors of the system
- Introducing practical tests of the system allowed us to identify drawbacks and eliminate problems for future

Lessons learnt – have we succeed?

- Should have we started the working groups at earlier stages?
- Could have this influenced the time when the methodologies could have been ready?
- > Should have we started works on methodologies which were supposed to be "easy" earlier?
- Have we succeed when it comes to changing mindset ?

The story goes on...

... we took to heart the lessons we learned

What are planning?

- Continue with regular thematic workshops
- A midterm "evaluation of moods" before the first official review
- Joint review of methodologies
- Joint problems' solving; ad hoc think tanks

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