



Training session 1

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Training seminar: Programme implementation, ensuring greater focus on results

Implemented by Ecorys Academy

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DG Regio, Beaulieu 5 VIP room
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Lot 3: Training on cohesion policy 2014–2020

Date

23-24 June 2014 (English training)
9-10 July 2014 (English training)
9-10 September 2014 (French training)
25-26 September 2014 (English training)
28-29 October 2014 (English training)



Programme

DAY ONE

- 08.30 **Registration**
- 09.00 **Welcome and introduction to the objectives and methodologies of the seminar**
Pascal Boijmans, Head of Unit DG Regio E1 and Ecorys
- 09.30 **Intervention logic and result orientation of programmes**
Marie-Jose Zondag (Ecorys)
- How to set clear intervention logic
- 10.45 Coffee break
- 11.15 **Exercise**
Marie-Jose Zondag (Ecorys) and DG Regio/DG Empl
- 12.30 Lunch
- 14.00 **Workshop: Performance framework and performance reserve**
Marie-Jose Zondag (Ecorys)
- Performance framework
 - Performance reserve
- 15.00 **Develop good partnership**
Marie-Jose Zondag (Ecorys)
- European Code of Conduct on Partnership
 - How to ensure adequate implementation of a partnership principle
 - Case studies around EU
- Workshop on partnership**
Marie-Jose Zondag (Ecorys)
- 16.15 Coffee break
- 16.45 **Fulfilling e-Cohesion requirements**
Johan Radder, IT Manager at Managing Authority West Netherlands
- How to simplify delivery including new elements stemming from regulations: eCohesion, reducing the administrative burden to beneficiaries
 - IT systems for EU funds management
 - Example of the West Netherlands
- 17.30 **Workshop; Exchange of experience with Member States**
Marie-Jose Zondag (Ecorys), Johan Radder, IT Manager MA West Netherlands
- 18.00 **End of the day**



DAY TWO

- 09.00 **Review of day one and introduction to day two**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- 09.15 **Ex Ante conditionalities**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- How to ensure strategic frameworks and effective application of EU rules
 - Fulfilling ex-ante conditionalities, preparation and delivery of Action Plans to meet ex-ante conditionalities
- Discussion/exercise**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 11.00 **General ex-ante conditionalities (Public Procurement)**
Hugh Goldsmith (DG REGIO, E1)
- 11.30 **Workshop: Discussion and work on case on conditionalities**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- 12.30 Lunch
- 14.00 **Developing the project pipeline**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- How to develop and implement a sound project pipeline
 - Type of calls for proposals, when is which type of calls suitable?
 - Setting up project selection criteria (consistent with OP)
- Group exercise on setting up a call and selection criteria**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- 15.45 Coffee Break
- 16.00 **Developing administrative capacities linked to the management of programmes**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- addressing administrative bottlenecks and potential solutions
 - desired capacity and competences needed for programme/projects implementation
- Group exercise and discussion on administrative bottlenecks and solutions (related to Program Management tasks)**
Gerbrand van Bork (Ecorys)
- 17:45 Final remarks by DG Regio/DG Empl
- 18:00 **End of training seminar**