State of play of mid-term evaluation and future of Erasmus+

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Scoping and selection → Consultant's Report

Roadmap

Guidance → National Reports → Analyse

Commission report
Evaluation criteria

Six criteria determined by Legal Base and Better Regulation

1. Effectiveness: outcomes/objectives
2. Coherence: internal ; external
3. Efficiency: outputs/inputs
4. Simplification
5. Relevance: objectives/needs

• European added value: compared to other level of intervention or no funding
Effectiveness

Erasmus+ is well on track to meet its targets

Three results from programme monitoring data:

- Overall high satisfaction with learning mobility
- A rather inclusive programme depending on sectors
- Perceived spill-over effect at organisation level
Overall satisfaction with mobility

Share of staff

Source: Erasmus+ participant monitoring surveys, 2014-15
Overall satisfaction with mobility

Share of learners

Source: Erasmus+ participant monitoring surveys, 2014-15
Participants with special needs or fewer opportunities

9% of Erasmus+ participants (2014-2015)

- Under-reported
- Lack of common definition
- Higher proportion in Youth

25% of Youth in Action participants (2007-2013)
Spill-over effect at organisation level (monitoring data)

Whether staff mobility has led or will lead to changes in the sending institution

Source: Erasmus+ participant monitoring surveys, 2014-15 (multiple answers possible)
Coherence

Within Erasmus+
• Cross-fertilisation
• Decentralisation

With other programmes
• Complementarities more than synergies
• Few duplications
Efficiency

- Data limitations make comparison difficult
- Management costs vary, but remains limited around 6%
- Which mobility action looks more expensive?
  - Mobility day 2014-15 > 2007-2013 (decrease in 2016?)
  - Practitioner > learner
  - Short term > long term
  - National programmes (average benchmark) > Erasmus+
Simplification

Strengths
• Integrated Programme (1-stop shop)
• Clearer structure in Key Actions
• Simplified grants
• Digitalisation

Weaknesses
• IT tools: teething issues → room for improvement
• Administrative burden for new/small applicants
Relevance

**Strengths: Erasmus+ is relevant**
- Aligned with EU policy priorities
- Adaptable to EU-level emerging challenges
- Addressing actual needs

**Challenges: is it enough...?**
- Innovative, cross-sectorial, systemic impact?
- Socially inclusive and accessible to all?
- Flexible and big enough budget?
Preparation of MFF post-2020
Post-2020 programme (possible issues for discussion)

With similar scope (lifelong learning) and structure...

Could Erasmus+ go more...?

- Inclusive?
- Virtual?
- Global?
- Viral?
Danke schön für Ihre Aufmerksamkeit

Q&A