Quality of Quality Assurance.
Striving for Highest Standards in ex-post evaluation

Third workshop of the ESF Member Forum on Evaluation of Funding Schemes and Research Programmes, Vienna 6-7 October 2008

Structure of the Workshop

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Focus and Objectives the Forum

**Focus:**
“Post-Grant” Evaluation i.e. if the funding schemes or the research programmes achieve their stated aims.

**Objectives**
- exchange and document experiences with current practices
- facilitate networking of science officers engaged in evaluation
- explore needs and possibilities for collaboration in future evaluation exercises.

**Participation**
over 40 Organizations (ESF Mos and other organisations)
1st and 2nd Workshop

Berlin, 22-23 October 2007
Evaluation of Funding Schemes and Research Programmes: Expectations, Practices and Experiences

Rome, 31 March – 1 April 2008
Quantitative Indicators in ex-post Evaluation of Funding Schemes and Research Programmes: Cases studies and Rationales

Including a session on “The Use of progress and final reports in indicator-building for ex-post evaluation of funding schemes”

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Structure of the 3rd Workshop

**Strand A:**
Quality of ex-post evaluation studies of funding schemes

**Strand B:**
Common European indicators in the evaluation of public research performing organizations

**3 Plenary sessions:**
- Best practices in “Quality assurance of quality assurance”
- Update on international activities
- Reporting and Forward looking

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What to expect? ... ideally

Start a set of documents which describe state of art reflects the consensus of discussed issues.

1. “A document that summarises the different ways organisations are working with evaluation”. Evaluation activities in research funding agencies: Approaches and case studies [Session A1]

2. Mapping of funding schemes to get an overview of similar research funding schemes in different member organisations, which can be evaluated (ex-post) in similar ways (Mapping the funding portfolio of research funding agencies) [Session A2]

3. Criteria and indicators in the evaluation of research performing organisations (in the fields identified by the Working group: internationalisation and innovation capacity. (A document describing how this should be done) [Strand B]
Changes in the programme

Due to other commitments and current priorities, the ERC can not be represented in the workshop.

- We will briefly discuss ERC recent call for Coordination and Support Action (CSA)
Thank you for your attention