

## EVALUATION ACTIVITIES 2007- 2013- COMPLETED AND PLANNED

October 2011

Activities in shaded rows have been completed

**Table 1: Process Evaluations**

Evaluation	Scope	Key questions	Timetable	Who	Steering group
<b>Evaluation of Shadow Round projects</b>	All Shadow Round projects of the two ESF Programmes	Did the supported projects address the goals of the programmes ? Did projects meet their targets ? Identify soft outcomes Did projects reach the hardest to help ?	Spec January 2008  Final Report delivered late 2009  Now on SG website	Hall Aitken	P Docherty/ W Price* ESFD Mabel Hildebrand ESFD Miranda McIntosh/ Jacqui Feeney* ESFD Anthony Moulds/Raakhi Odedra* SG – ASD) Liz Catterson (SG – Workforce Plus)
<b>Framework Evaluation Contract</b>	A pool of three contractors to tender for Structural Funds evaluations up to end 2011	N/A	Invited April 2008  Appointed September 2008 until end 2011	Na	Miranda McIntosh ESFD Billy McLaren ESFD Chris Garbutt SG – Procurement)
<b>Community Planning Partnerships in the LUPS area</b>	Evaluation of CPP plans  Phase 1 LUPS - interviews Phase 2 analysis of MI + H&I interviews Phase 3 e-survey of partners Phase 4 -return interviews	Have CPP added value to European funds ? Has use of European funds improved effectiveness of CPP? Improved partnership?	Contractor appointed – April 2009  Draft Final Report received December 2010  Now on website	Blake Stevenson	J Feeney (SG – ESFD) B Russell ( ESFD) P Stewart (SG – ESFD) Muriel Mackenzie ESEP Andy Lee (North Ayrshire Council) R Odedra (SG – ASD) M Mackin -ESFD

<b>Strategic Delivery Bodies (SDBs)</b>	UHI, HIE and SEN	Description of planning processes  Effectiveness of planning and delivery and monitoring Additionality for/Value added to structural funds from using SDP – and vice versa? Have expectation been met ? Lessons for partnership approach ?	Discussion paper at MEG Feb 2011 and Sep 2011  Aim to commission late 2011	Framework contract	N Thomas ESEP J Millard ESFD R Odedra ASD P Ford _ Enterprise Policy T McGale (ESFD)
<b>Evaluation of IAB activity</b>	Covering both LUPS and H&I And GGB	Advantages and disadvantages for delivery of using IAB Management of the relationship	Commitment in Operational Prog – now expected early 2012 .	Framework contract	Tbc
<b>Evaluation of Global Grant Body</b>	To be combined with evaluation of IAB				
<b>Publicity</b>	Impact of programme publicity measures –  required as part of final Report 2014/15  Cover actions of SG and IABs	How effective have the publicity activities for the programmes been?  What messages have been communicated?	Discussed at MEG (10)  Draft specification 2012	Framework contract	Tbc

<b>Survey of ESF Participants - Priority 1</b>	Surveys of participants - mostly leavers, some current  LUPS and H&I Priority 1	Description of participants  Assessment of outcomes – for categories of participants and by geography	Commitment in OP  ITT summer 2010  Survey – July- August 2011	Hall Aitken	M Curran (ASD) J Millard (ESFD) J Feeney (ESFD) M Mackenzie (ESEP) J Dunsmore (HIPP) J Trimble (ASD) M Gautier (Dundee CPP) N Wilson (ESFD)
<b>Survey of ESF Participants - Priority 2</b>	Surveys of participants - mostly leavers, some current  LUPS and H&I Priority 1	Description of participants  Assessment of outcomes – for categories of participants and by geography	Commitment in OP  To consider after P1 survey (if it is successful)	Framework contract	

**Table 2: Thematic Evaluations**

List of currently-planned evaluations	Scope	Key questions	Timetable	Who will evaluate ?	Steering group
Socio-Economic and Policy Spot-check Report – Lowlands and Uplands Scotland		How can LUPS programmes further assist counter-recessionary measures and policies to aid economic recovery?	Tenders invited Dec 2008 Final Report – March 2009	Fraser Associates	John Rigg ESFD Billy McLaren ESFD Jacqui Feeney ESFD Mabel Hildebrand ESFD David Souter ESFD Nigel Lindsey - ESFD
Socio-Economic and Policy Spot-check Report – Highlands and Islands		How can H&I programmes further assist counter-recessionary measures and policies to aid economic recovery?	Tenders invited Dec 2008 Final Report – March 2009*  *addendum Sept 2009	Blake Stevenson	Jim Millard (ESFD) Billy McLaren ESFD Jacqui Feeney ESFD
Horizontal Themes Evaluation	All programmes - equal opportunities - social inclusion - environmental sustainability		Discussed in MEG end 2009  Spec during 2012?	Framework contract	tbc
Added Value of European Structural Funds	Possible future evaluation		tbc	tbc	tbc

<b>PUBLICATIONS</b>
<b><i>Shadow Round Evaluation</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Report commissioned to evaluate Shadow Round of ESF support (interim delivered July 2008; final due October 2008). <a href="http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/14102912/0">http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/14102912/0</a> <a href="http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/14102825/0">http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/14102825/0</a> for summary</li></ul>
<b><i>Socio Economic &amp; Policy Spot check LUPS</i></b>  <a href="http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Business-Industry/support/17404/ESF-Evaluation-Publicity/socioeconomicevaluation">http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Business-Industry/support/17404/ESF-Evaluation-Publicity/socioeconomicevaluation</a>
<b><i>Socio-Economic Spot check Highlands &amp; Islands</i></b>  <a href="http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Business-Industry/support/17404/ESF-Evaluation-Publicity/HISocioEconomicReport">http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Business-Industry/support/17404/ESF-Evaluation-Publicity/HISocioEconomicReport</a>
<b><i>Contribution made by European structural funds to Community Planning Partnerships</i></b> <i>Final report due end 2010. For overview of first stage</i> <a href="http://www.esep.co.uk/assets/files/PMC0903/LUPS-09-03-04%20-%20Annex%203(iii)%20CPP%20Overview%20Report.pdf">http://www.esep.co.uk/assets/files/PMC0903/LUPS-09-03-04%20-%20Annex%203(iii)%20CPP%20Overview%20Report.pdf</a>