Session 2 Communication and impact





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- Communication and impact
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Regulation

Acknowledge funding

use of logo including references to EU, ERDF and Interreg 2 Seas Inform the public

Mandatory Vs Non-mandatory measures





European Regional Development Fund

Regulation

TIPS

- Read <u>Factsheet 14</u>.
- Use <u>templates</u> for mandatory measures.
- Work with professional designers.
- Prevention is better than cure. Ask for JS advice.



Regulation

QUIZ

Who will be the **queen or the king** of communication regulation?





True of false

I can use an electronic version instead of a paper version of the project poster.

False. An electronic version would only be accepted in addition, not to replace the paper version. The paper version is mandatory.



True of false

The EU emblem has to be on the homepage of every project partner's website.

False. Beneficiaries need to have a dedicated page on their website where the EU emblem should appear, along with the Programme logo, references to the EU and ERDF, and information about the project. This can be any page on the website, not necessarily the homepage. See <u>Factsheet 14</u> for more details.



We need to keep our project website alive until 5 years after project closure.

False. It is not required by EU regulation, but JS recommends to keep these websites alive for 5 more years after the project has ended, since this is the mandatory retention period for physical investments. A project website can in most cases be considered as a non-physical investment.



True of false

In exceptional cases, alternative measures for the investment billboards can be accepted.

True. in case of local restrictions e.g. UNESCO heritage for SLIC project, or Natural Beauty protection...other ways of informing the public can be accepted.



JS support and Programme channels

- Website
- newsletters
- Social media
- (Online) events











Best practice

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- Stefan Flos POLDER2C's Polder 2 See video@polder2see.eu







- Problem:
 - how to easily count target groups reached with communication actions for reporting?
 - How to make this simple enough for partners to get them involved?
 - How to make sure you have all the information and proof you need?



 How we used to work: an elaborate excel sheet with tabs per output + proof documents on Dropbox

Very elaborate but too detailed and confusing for partners that don't use it daily

Had to be made easier and a lot more user friendly!

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• Solution: make an easy online form for partners!

https://www.cognitoforms.com/UGent1/METCERTIFIEDTargetGroupsTool

- Clean to use (shortcut)
- Drop-down options
- Listing of target groups & comms actions

- Option to upload evidence
- Related to which output/deliverables
- Entries: edit and/or export
- Tool: Cognitoforms (but maybe other options available too)
 → Free (upgrade optional), easy to configure, 500 free entries/month, e-mail notification to comms manager, unlimited number of forms



MET-CERTIFIED Target groups tool

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Please note that social media posts are not included in this form. We kindly ask to add these action to the excell file in Dropbox.

Which target groups did you reach with this communication action *

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Certification Body	Regional Development Agency
University/Research	Network Community
Marine Energy Sector	Supply Chain
Consulting/Engineering	Invester/Insurer
Utilities	Coverement

CASCADE – Local media, local impact





Local media, local impact – Strategy

 Develop a comms strategy

 Use communications channels

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Our Homes

Join Our Team

Latest News







Local media, local impact – Targeting communications

- Local news outlets
- Opinion leaders
- Advocates
- Community groups
- Political leaders





Local media, local impact – Stakeholders

• Stakeholders are important



Cross communication

Charlie Elphicke 2 24 March at 17:00 - C



Old houses in Randolph Road will be converted into an elderly care village for people with dementia. The project is one of the first of its kind, allowing people to be looked after while also enjoying independent lives.

Very proud that Dover is leading the way with this brilliant idea.

DOVER'S **£3.5M** DEMENTIA VILLAGE



Local media, local impact – Content

- Content
 - Good news: This is in short supply
 - Press release for milestones
 - 3-400 words
 - Pictures/video-clips
 - Use multiple channels

- Message
 - What is new and innovative?
 - The local benefits
 - The potential for wider impacts

Polder2C's – Polder2See









Introduction

- Polder2C's project Hedwige-Prosper Living Lab
- Dike safety: Strength Resilience Next Generation
- Bring the Levee to the People
- Video as a tool

Introduction

- Stefan Flos: 30y Consultant Water +12y video reporting
- Knowledge transfer 5,500+ water video items recorded
- Meetings interviews Video Doc
- Video is essential for next / new generation & learning
- CORONA: Bring the Levee to the People

Concept: why video?

- Modern communication
- WYSIWYG (who is still reading anyway?)
- Time Capsule
- Authentic: people with knowledge in view
- High level of detail layered compacted

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• Business Story Telling

Tips

- content content content
- Focus on the professional / target group
- It is Not about the What but about the How & the How exactly (like a TV cooking program)
- The Devil is in the Details: don't be afraid to go deep (people love details)
- Ask Show Tell Learn Share Repeat
- SMART & KISS

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1-2-3 Sold!

Tips

- Communication should be nr 1 priority!
- Communication is multi-channel: repeat re-use pimp it
- Mix of texts images video animations presentations papers...
- Website is the home base: run it like a TV Channel ('daily' news & content)
- Use Social Media as Funnel draw attention to the website
- Content is King: go for eternity (think about your project in 10 years)
- Content communication just needs some focus
- Have fun be enthousiastic think big











Wrap up & closure





Thanks for your attention



