



# Q&A session | Annual Progress Report & Closure Report

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021

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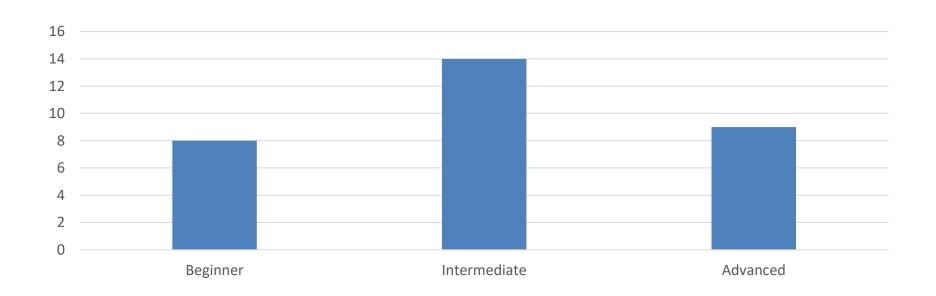
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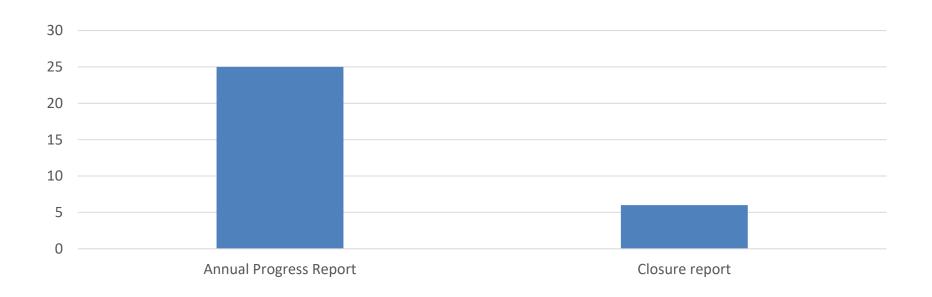


### What is your individual experience with APRs?



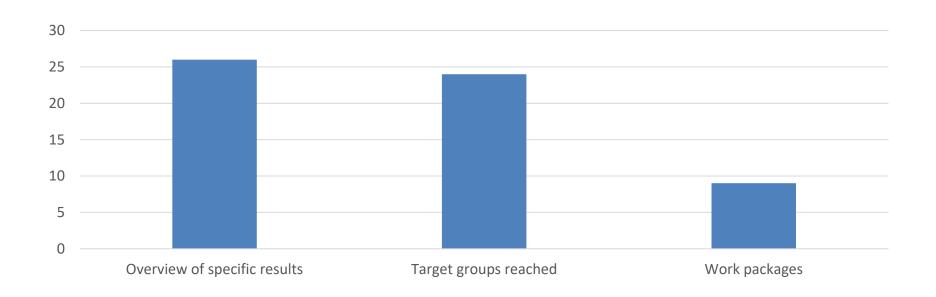


### My next report will be...





#### Sections interested in...





#### Content

- Why the APR?
- Your questions on :
  - Specific results
  - Target groups reached
  - Work Packages
  - Closure report



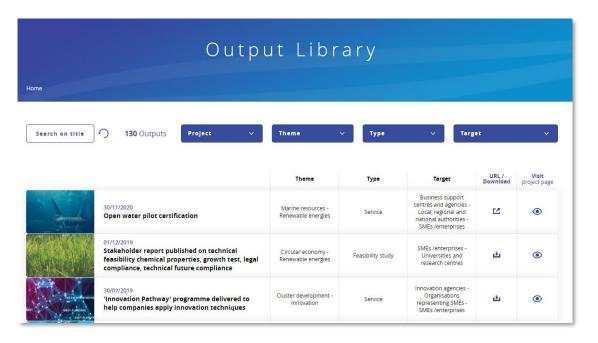
### Why the Annual Progress Report?

- Sole official tool for the project to demonstrate the project performance
- Outputs delivered validated in the APR
- Consolidated financial data included in the first version of the APR used to calculate the **financial performance**



### Why the Annual Progress Report?

 Outputs validated in the APR will be promoted on the Programme's output library



## What should be my first mother the APR?

- Use last validated APR as a basis
- Use the JS feedback from previously approved APR(s) to address the recommendations
- Refer to the Specific Results Matrix

		Specific Objectives						
Category	Result / benefit	1.1	1.2	1.3	2.1	3.1	4.1	4.2
	Involvement of new types of partners	X	х	х	X	Х	Х	х
Networking	Development of clusters	X				X		X
	New forms of cooperation and partnerships	X	Х	х	X		Х	Х
Knowledge	Exchange and use of practices	X	Х	X	X	X	Х	X
	Created/increased skills and capacities	X	х	х	X	х	х	х
	Increased awareness		X		X	X	Х	X
	Technological transfer	X	Х					
	Behavioural change in stakeholders			х	X	X	X	X
	Influence on policy making	Х		Х	X		Х	X
Governance and policy	Improved governance quality and capacity	X				X	X	X
	Removal of barriers to cooperation	X		х	Х	Х		Х
Socio-economic	Triggered investments		Х	Х	Х		Х	
	Increased jobs		Х	Х	X		Х	X
	Increased employability		Х	Х	X		Х	X
	Improved health and general living conditions		Х	х		X		
	Increased business activity / capacity (new products, processes, services, techniques)	X	x	x	х	х	х	x
	Cost savings		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	Improved services	Х	Х	Х				Х
	Patent applications		Х					
Environmental	Eco-efficiency (energy efficiency, waste reduction, sustainable management of natural resources)	x	х		х		х	X
	Reduction of pressure on marine and land ecosystems and water consumption		x		x		Х	
	Climate change adaptation					Х	Х	
	Climate change mitigation				X		Χ	
	Other environmental benefits					X	Х	
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### Specific results section



## In which cases can I modify previously approved specific results?

- Following JS feedback from previous APR
- To refine modalities of measurement if relevant (only if it is to make them SMARTer or to add a modality of measurement)
- To update the "measured results" based on measurements in the concerned reporting year
- In case of additional unexpected result derived from the use of an output

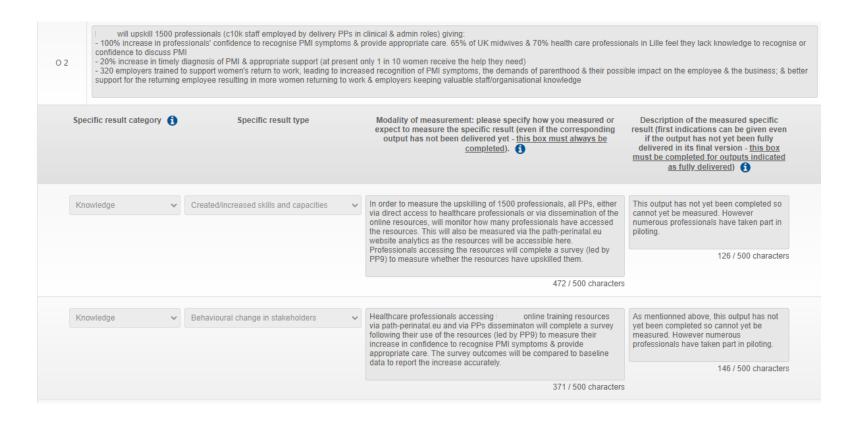


## What if the specific results in the AF are not clear enough or no longer measurable?

- Up to 5 specific results per output in the APR
- Use the APR result categories and subtypes and the modality of measurement to clarify how the output is used and what benefits are expected
- If some specific results are no longer measurable, trace the deviation and justify under the associated result category



### Can you share good examples of modalities of measurement?



### How can I proofread my Specific result section?

- Make sure that all AF results have been captured under the relevant result categories
- Check if the modality of measurement is adequate for the result to be measured (and corresponds to the expected measurement in the AF)
- Verify the figures in the "measured result" section and check consistency with target group section if applicable
- SMART stress test (Specific / Measurable / Achievable / Relevant / Time bound) ©



## Do you have any tools to follow-up on Specific results reporting?

Programme Output Indicator	Output target	Project Output	Project Output target		Specific result / Output	Deliverables to reference	Events / Activity	Evidences	Commentary	
						D1.1.3	Materials	Document	Results measured extracted from the mentioned deliverables/evidence To be reported in the APR	
						D1.1.4	Event	Sign in sheet		
Ex: Ol 1.1.1 Number of joint strategies and action plans developed to improve the framework conditions for innovation		Output title	1	GR1 (F)	from the AF	D1.1.5	Event	Sign in sheet		
						D5.2.1	Document	Newsletter mailing list		
						D5.3.1		Conference attendees lists		
						D5.4.1	Events	Feedback forms		
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						D5.4.1		Sign in sheet	To be reported in the APR	
						D1.1.3 D1.1.4		Document Emails	Results measured extracted from the mentioned	
									deliverables/evidence	
						D5.4.2	Document	2 publications	To be reported in the APR	



#### What should I avoid?

- Not filling in the specific result section
- Filling in the specific result section for some outputs but not all
- Capturing only 1 result when there are 5 listed in the AF
- Not reporting measured results whereas the output has been delivered
- Inconsistency between AF and APR results (unless it is to make the APR more specific than the AF)



#### What should I avoid?

- Inconsistency between chosen result type and described modality of measurement
- Measured result not in line with modality of measurement
- Aggregating data under the same result category when spare result categories (/5) can be used to break them down and clarify measurement



### Example of modality of measurement not in line with selected specific result type & category

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Such a bottom up pilot work method will provide the framework conditions to improve the identification and dealing with elderly's needs in terms of housing, urban and services amenities by working with both ageing stakeholders and sample of seniors. A set of demonstration actions will form a harmonized and improved preventive communication strategy combining various aspects and used by various stakeholders (housing organisations, health organisation...) to better reach 55+. It aims at increasing the number of requests for housing adaptations by 20% before 2025. Various observers in the project will be able to provide figures to highlight this increase (eg: département du pas de calais providing APA in France).

Specific result category

Specific result type

Modality of measurement: please specify how Description of the measured you measured or expect to measure the specific result (even if the corresponding output has not been delivered yet - this box must always be completed).

specific result (first indications can be given even if the output has not yet been fully delivered in its final version - this box must be completed for outputs indicated as fully delivered)

Knowledge

Created/increased skills and capacities

55+ will have a better knowledge on the risks not to have an adapted houses, on how to adapt, at which costs and where to get funding. This knowledge is first assessed thanks to various data (number of people involved in focus groups, taking part in site visits, events, involved in trainings and workshops, visiting demonstration flat...).

10 seniors benefiting from training to adapt their house, 20 seniors taking part to focus groups.

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part to any of these actions.

## Example of modality of measurement not in line with selected specific result type & category

Governance and policy

Public authorities will received guidelines on how to improve public space...

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Influence on policy making how to improve public space...

Public authorities will received guidelines on authorities receiving the guidelines. This will not be done before 2021 at the earliest as the guidelines are not published yet

## Example of measured result not in line with modality of measurement

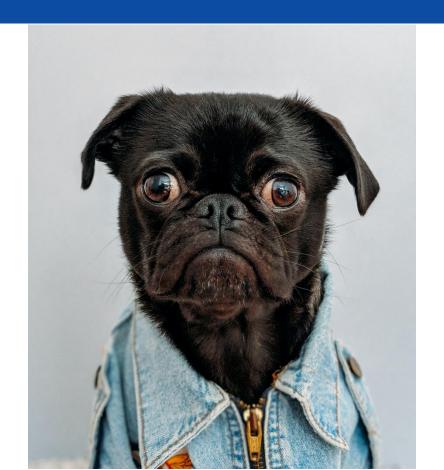
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Behavioural change in stakeholders

partners will use a questionnaire for stakeholders in order to know whether they consider adapting their work and behaviour with respect to seniors after they took part in a site visit, attended a training or a workshop, took part in a focus group, read the study on labels.

questionnaire return so far : 90 stakeholders replied

### Any other question on Specific results?



### Target groups section



### How to best prepare for target group reporting?

- Review the types of target groups & the target values in the AF with your partnership
- Verify if AF figures are counting individuals or organisations
- Make sure all partners know who is responsible for which share in reaching them and reporting them
- Make sure all partners agree on when "1" value is to be considered reached (degree of involvement + individuals vs. organisations)



# What type of information is expected under the target groups section?

#### "Target groups involvement"

- Timeline of involvement : in the production of the output (consultation, cocreation) and/or in the dissemination
- Types of involvement: workshops, B2B, conference, seminars...

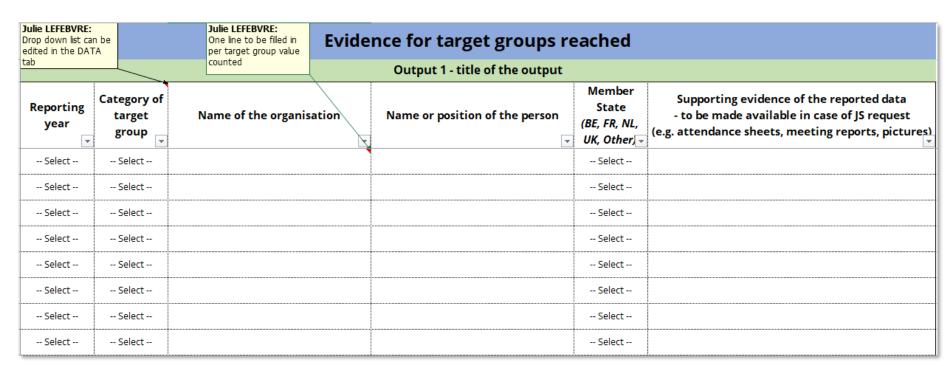
#### "Breakdown of target groups reached"

- Breakdown per Target Group type and Member State (if available)
- Target group types = as listed in Application Form and in the supporting evidence
- Reported information matches value reported in total/year
- Reported information matches values from supporting evidence



#### What type of evidence is accepted?

#### Consolidated overview table



### What type of evidence is accepted?

- Attendance sheets
- Meeting reports including list of attendees
- Notes from phone conversation/ email as proof of contact/ follow-up
- Google Analytics from websites
- Screenshots from online events or meetings
- Number of views for visual materials (YouTube, Vimeo...)
- Distribution list
- To be tailored based on the type of dissemination



### What if there are confidentiality issues?

- Reporting in line with GDPR regulation
- Data remains confidential at JS level
- Data can be anonymised:
  - In case individuals are counted, you can list the organisations and put crosses or job titles in place of people's name



## Can the reported figures apply for several outputs?

- Double counting should be clarified
- Possible if foreseen in the Application Form originally, coherent with target groups listed

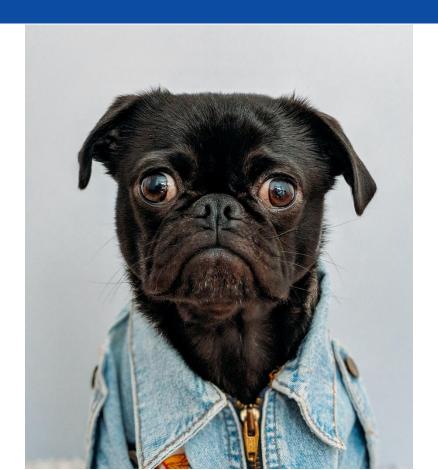


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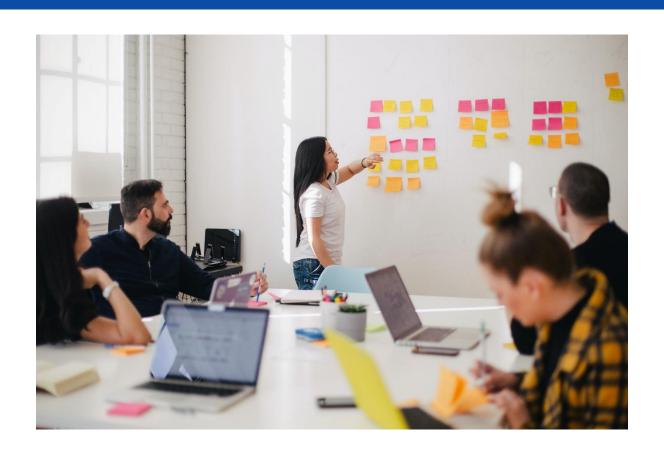
- Project partners are not target groups
- Sending raw data, multiple documents that have not been aggregated (in case of high reported values)
- Reporting values which cannot be evidenced
- Do not report cumulative values for the value reached in current reporting year



### Any other question on Target groups?



### Work plan



### Is it possible to overachieve on outputs or to deliver in advance?

- If you think you can deliver an output in advance, check with the JS before marking it as delivered
- Do not mark an output as delivered if it cannot be evidenced or finalised yet



# When should I provide evidence of deliverables/outputs?

- Whenever a value is reported as achieved
- When box « Has evidence » is ticked





## Can I refer to previous monitoring moments for already reported/achieved deliverables, activities and outputs?

- Reference to previously approved APRs can be made, e.g. « See APR 2019 »
- In case of Milestone Reports in the reporting year:
  - Information on progress should be provided in the APR
  - Reference can be made to the Milestone Report Annexes for evidence of achieved values



#### How to organise evidence delivery?

Setting-up an evidence register

Work package 1			
Deliverable code	Type of evidence	Annex title / reference	Description
D1.1.1	URL; Username: XX; Password: XX	Not needed if starts with deliverable code	https
D1.2.1	Document		Event in XX on 3rd and 4th June 2019: Meeting agenda, Attendance list, List of companies attended, photos, minutes of the meeting
D1.2.2	Document		Event at the XX on 25 November 2019:
D1.3.1/D1.3.2	URL		https
	Document		Challenges Inventory
D1.4.1	Excel		Challenges Inventory Jan 2020
	Picture		Challenges on portal
D1.5.1	Document		Presentation slides, minutes of the meeting, photos



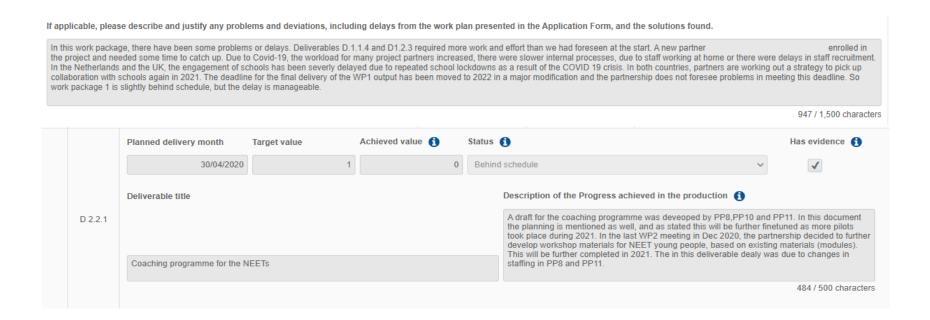
#### What if I have a pending major modification?

- Major modifications approved by December 2021: APR can be based on revised Application Form (if APR opened after 12/21)
- Major modifications to be decided in February 2022: refer to major modification coming and justify deviations



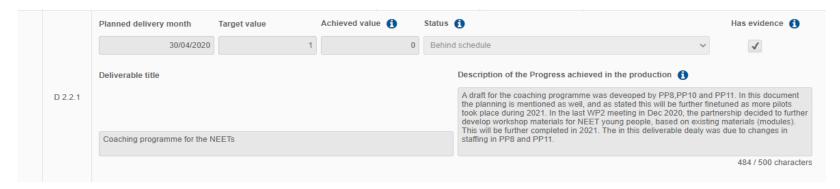
#### How to clearly report on deviation(s)?

Explain causes of deviations at WP level and activities/deliverables



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Explain causes of deviations activities/deliverables



Indicate new expected delivery date



#### How to clearly report on deviation(s)?

Explain causes of financial deviations





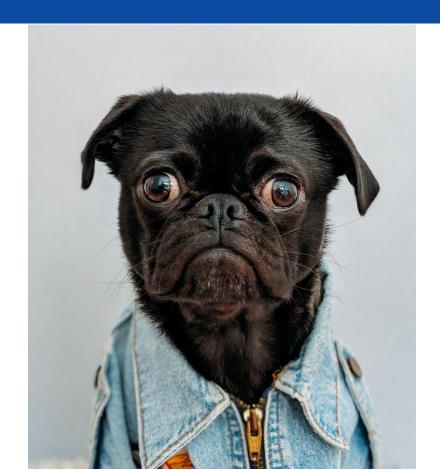
#### What should I avoid?

 Status of delivery incoherent with the description of progress and/or reported achieved value





#### Any other question on the Work plan?



#### Closure Report



#### Is a Closure Report different from an APR?

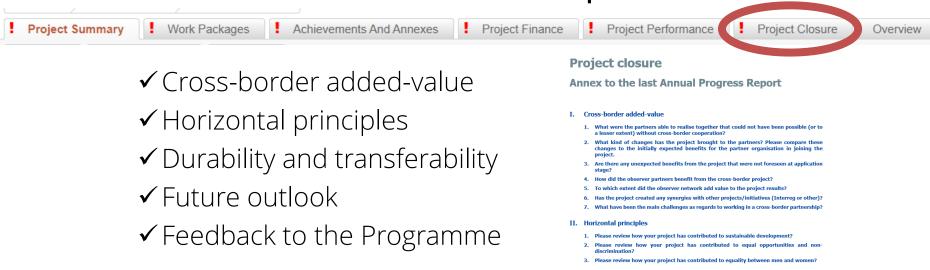


- Closure Report (CR) = Annual Progress Report + Project Closure tab
- Specific results: Cumulative reporting since project start
- Target groups & work plan: Only report on progress made since last APR, no cumulative reporting



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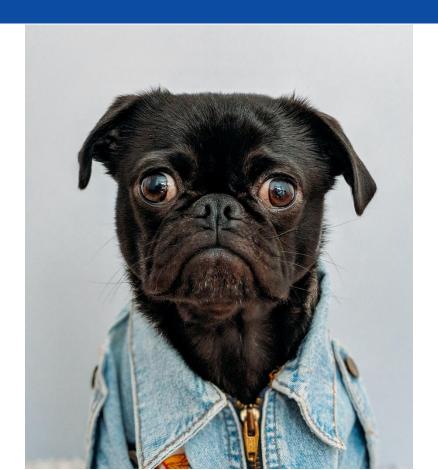
Closure tab with additional questions:



To be filled-in by comparing what was foreseen in the AF and the reality of the implementation



#### Any other question on the Closure Report?



#### Where to find help?

- APR webinar on 2 Seas YouTube channel
- Q&A
- Recording of Online Refresher Training 2020
- IS Officers & Territorial Facilitators
- Measurable results checklist
- Specific results matrix
- <u>Evidence register template</u>
- Evidencing results template
- Target groups monitoring template









### Any other questions?

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Thank you!