

Exploring experiences of the design and interaction of Green Architecture



Group 1

What's working well

(FR) High uptake rate, on Eco Schemes and also AECMs.

(PL) uptake level was as expected. Made budgetting easier

(AT) some increase in bio-diversity areas (work in progress)

(AT) Uptake positive. Nature conservation interactions positive.

(GR) high uptake - more than double expectations. Has caused budget pressures and possible problems with the next years payments
N.B. Also seen in other MS

(NL) Moving towards use of KPIs to use. Farmers set goals and all agree the KPIs. Now piloting use of KPIs with several different schemes. Planned to roll this out nationally next year

(GR) Broadened the environmental measures with the Eco-schemes - allowed a 'new start'

(GR) Good experience with advisors

(AT) Results based schemes gaining traction

(SE) Taking schemes out of EU co-financing can simplify administration (and reduce risks with controls)
(Commented by others) However it might cause issues with State Aid.

(DE) challenges, especially in the 1st year with - GAEC 8 - matching P1 and P2

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Good practices



(EST) improved info campaigns with MA, Advisory service and national CAP Network
(CAP Network also used in SE)

(EST) Different partners hosting and promoting a film festival. Actions are promoting improved uptake. Other measures (working in a complementary way) is important

(EST) Good examples from the previous programming period. Organic Ag and for apiculture (good relations between farmers and bee keepers)

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(DE) Some Issues with regionalisation. Difficult to assess what is happening at the Federal level. Each region wants a bigger share of the the overall budget

(PL & others) Very important (and challenging) is the triangulation between the concurrent needs for: simplification - achievement (and ambition) and control

(EST) working Group with different stakeholders works well. Good info for MA

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What's working less well

(PL) Farmers protesting against 'new' conditionalities. Some changes will be necessary due to EC prompted changes to conditionality

(AT) complex structure of schemes - on the other hand more flexibility is wanted to accommodate different conditions & different agro-climatic situations

(AT) Complexity not only the schemes themselves and the existence of 'top-ups'. Also information required for the EC complex

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