**EXCO N 3.3**

**Questionnaire on the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD) programme**

**Name and contact email of person completing the questionnaire**

**Name of Network**

**Please complete the questionnaire by 12.06.2017 and return it to Magda Tancau at** **magda.tancau@eapn.eu**

**Section A: questions for National Networks from countries who participate in the FEAD programme**

Question 1: Is your National Network working on the FEAD programme in your country? Yes No

Question 2: If you answered YES to the first question then please say in which capacity you work on the programme (tick as many boxes as appropriate)

* Is the National Network a partner Organisation?[[1]](#footnote-1)
* Is the National Network part of the Monitoring Committee?
* Does the National Network follow how the programme is implemented and make suggestions about how to develop and improve the programme design and delivery?
* Other ways (please describe)

Please give some comments about the quality of your engagement in the activities you indicate above.

Question 3: If you answered NO to the first question then please say if members of your National Network are working on the FEAD programme in your country. Yes No

Question 4: If there are members of your Network working on the FEAD programme then please give the names of the organisations (please give the name in your own language and a translation in English).

Question 5: Please say in which capacity your members work on the programme (tick as many boxes as appropriate)

* Are they a partner Organisation?
* Are they part of the Monitoring Committee?
* Do the follow how the programme is implemented and make suggestions about how to develop and improve the programme design and delivery?
* Other ways (add description)

Please give some comments about the quality of the engagement of your members in the activities you indicate above.

***If neither the network nor its members are involved with the programme, please try to answer the questions below based on public documents on the FEAD programme in your country and conversations with actors involved.***

Question 6: Please provide us with some general information about the FEAD programme in your country by answering the questions below.

1. What is the financial commitment of your national government in the program?
2. Which orientation is given to the programme by the national government and national authorities?
3. What kind of assistance is provided through the programme? Is the programme mainly focused on (emergency) food support or is there any other type of support provided?

1. Who are the main stakeholders involved in the programme at the national level and what role(s) do they play?
2. Is there a space for different stakeholders involved in the FEAD programme, and especially for end beneficiaries, to come together and discuss about the implementation of the programme and make recommendations about the future of the programme?
3. Do you know of any recommendations or proposals for change submitted by your government to the European Commission for the next funding period?

Question 7: Does the FEAD programme reach and assist the ‘most deprived groups’? Are accompanying measures being organised and implemented? If yes, please give some examples

Question 8: Are end beneficiaries involved in decisions about how the programme is delivered? Are their recommendations taken into account? If yes, please give some examples

Question 9: What is the relationship between FEAD and the European Social Fund (ESF) in your country? Is there cooperation or continuity between the two programmes?

Question 10: What recommendations would you make for the improvement of the FEAD programme in the future?

Question 11: This question is optional: Please see the report of the European Economic and Social Committee “The effectiveness of ESF and FEAD funding as part of civil society efforts to tackle poverty and social exclusion under the Europe 2020 strategy”. Do you have any comments on this report? What do you find helpful? Are there proposals with which you do not agree?

Please note that the EESC report can be found in your own language at the following address:

[**http://www.eesc.europa.eu/?i=portal.en.soc-opinions&itemCode=38077&\_cldee=ZmludGFuLmZhcnJlbGxAZWFwbi5ldQ%3d%3d&recipientid=contact-1cb0ca8109aee411a547005056a05070-e9d7787e3fdf46ec81bf3e8fab6f8cff&esid=52ba17a4-f3fc-e611-91ea-005056a05070&urlid=4**](http://www.eesc.europa.eu/?i=portal.en.soc-opinions&itemCode=38077&_cldee=ZmludGFuLmZhcnJlbGxAZWFwbi5ldQ%3d%3d&recipientid=contact-1cb0ca8109aee411a547005056a05070-e9d7787e3fdf46ec81bf3e8fab6f8cff&esid=52ba17a4-f3fc-e611-91ea-005056a05070&urlid=4)

**Section B: questions for National Networks from Countries who do not participate in the FEAD Programme**

1. Are you familiar with the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived - FEAD Programme? Yes/No
2. Is there a food assistance programme in your country? How is it organized?
3. Who funds the food assistance programme in your country? Who are the beneficiaries? Who are the main stakeholders involved in the programme?
4. How are decisions about the implementation and future shaping of the programme made? Is there a space for stakeholders, especially beneficiaries, to come together to discuss about the programme and influence decisions about the programme?
5. What recommendations would you make for the improvement of the food assistance programme in your country, in the future?
1. Partner organisations are public bodies or non-governmental organisations selected by national authorities to deliver assistance within the FEAD programme. National authorities can either purchase the food and goods themselves and supply them to partner organisations, or fund the organisations so that they can make the purchases themselves. Partner organisations which buy the food or goods themselves can either distribute them directly, or ask other partner organisations to help.  [↑](#footnote-ref-1)