

# EVAL-INNO

## Fostering Evaluation Competencies in Research, Technology and Innovation in the SEE Region

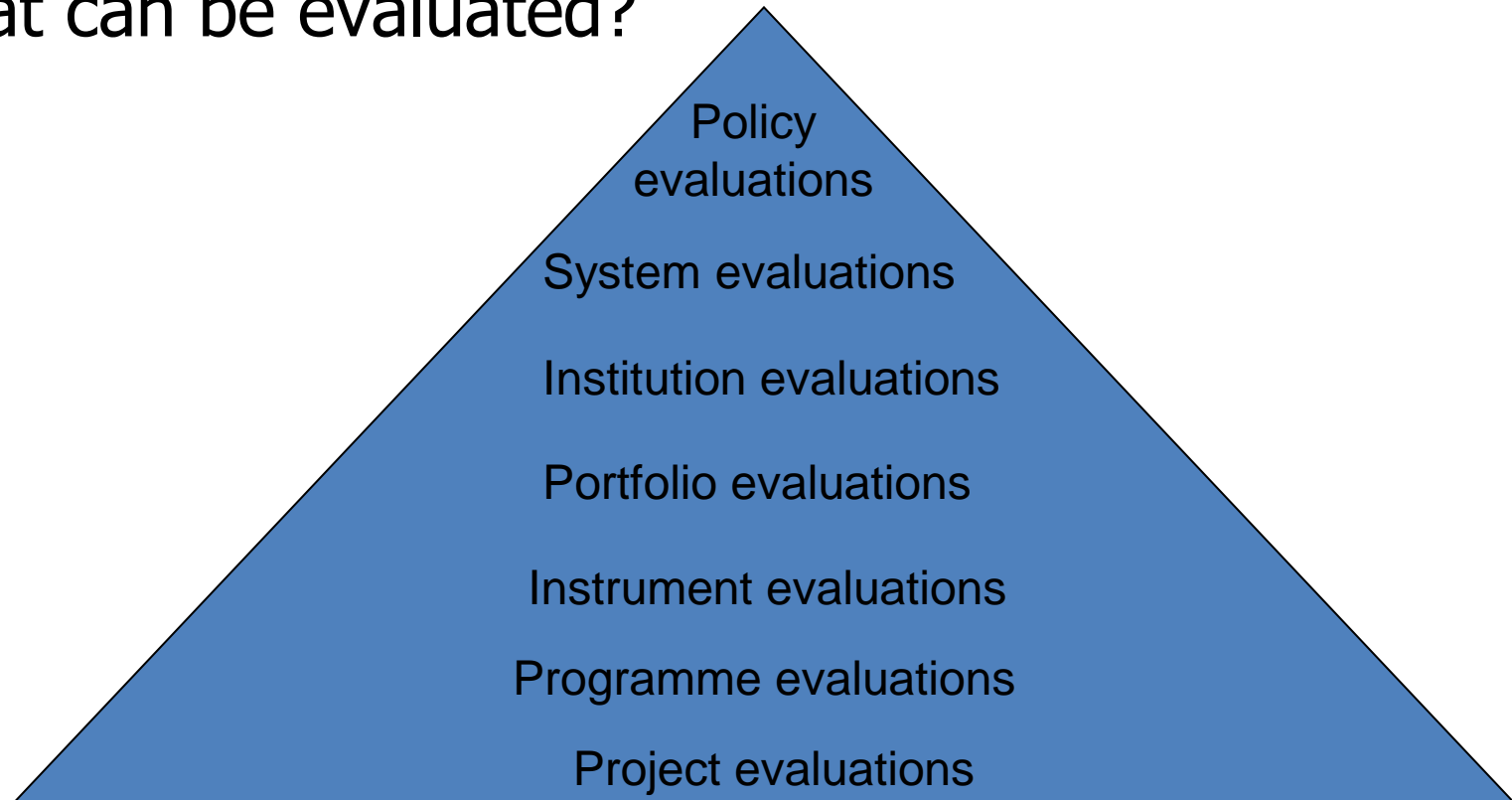
Steering Platform on Research for Western Balkan Countries

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# Background and Objectives

What can be evaluated?



# Background- Purpose of evaluations

Legitimation:	justifying the use of public funds
Information:	to the public how funds are being used and to what effect
Learning:	for all stakeholders to do things better
Steering:	for establishing policy objectives, planning of measures etc.
Mediation:	balancing interest and dialogue

# Background and Objectives

## Current state of the art in SEE

- Projects are regularly evaluated, other evaluations are rare
- Awareness of the value of evaluations is limited
- Lack of endogenous evaluation capacities
  - Evaluators from the region (number, qualification)
  - Awarding authorities of evaluations ("clients")

## Objectives of EVAL-INNO

- Promoting the role of evaluations
- Strengthening evaluation capacities
- Providing methodological knowledge for evaluators and "clients" of evaluations

# Activities

## Evaluation standards in local languages

- Distribution during the next months, update 2013/2014

## Enhancing evaluation capacities

- Analysis of practice for definition of Training needs
  - Workshop in Athens – What must an awarding authority know to start a public procurement for RTDI evaluation? 28-29 January 2013, Athens
- Trainings
  - Evaluators
    - Bulgaria 18-22 March 2013
    - Hungary 15-19 April 2013
    - Montenegro 17-21 June 2013
    - Serbia 7-11 October 2013
  - Programme owners
- Pilot RTDI Programme evaluations in 3 countries
- Pilot Benchmarking evaluation in 6 countries
- Establishing a virtual platform with comprehensive databases
- Ownership in the region

# Your involvement and benefit

## Direct support

- Use of the RTDI Evaluation Standards for upcoming evaluations
- Participation in Trainings
- Use the opportunity of pilot evaluations of RTDI programmes (selection soon to be finished) and benchmarking exercise
- Support and use the database of evaluators etc.
- Active take over to have ownership of the platform

## Indirect support/structural dimension

- Support of evidence policy making/policy cycle/strategic intelligence
- opportunity for change of practice (e.g ex ante evaluation of new programmes, indicators for measuring success/impact of newly established programmes)
- Framework for further support through ownership of platform

Learning opportunity for the NIS

# Partners involved

- Centre for Social Innovation, Austria
- National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
- Applied Research and Communications Fund, Bulgaria
- Public Foundation for the Development of Industry, Hungary
- University of Montenegro
- Mihailo Pupin Institute, Serbia
  
- Outreach and involvement of all WBC + Slovenia, MD, UKR



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# Thank you for your attention!

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