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Spanish Environmental Authorities Network - Snapshot

- Created in 1997
- Fruitful forum for the cooperation between national/regional environmental/ managing authorities.
- **Members:**
 - **Secretariat** – Budgetary Office of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment
 - **European Commission** (DG ENV, DG REGIO + Other DGs *ad hoc*)
 - **National Ministries** in charge of EU Funds
 - Regional Ministries: Environmental and Managing Authorities
 - Other **Sectorial Networks** within the Partnership Agreement 2014-2020
- **Structure**
 - **Plenary Meetings** (decision making) + **Thematic Workshops**: 2 per year
 - **Working Groups** (technical debates and documents):
 1. *Climate change in the 2014-2020 programming period*
 2. *Nature and biodiversity conservation within the EU Funds*
 3. *Environmental assessment of the Operational Programs and their actions*
- Participates in ENEA-MA Plenary meetings and WGs



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Spanish Environmental Authorities Network - Involvement in the 2014-2020 programming (PA and Ops preparation Stage)

- Through the recommendations of the 3 WGs created for integrating environmental criteria in 2014-2020 OPs
 - 1. Climate change in the 2014-2020 programming period:**
 - Diffuse Sectors 2020 Roadmap trying to influence the programming on the identified needs on for climate change.
 - Analysis of the compliance with the Thematic Concentration on low carbon economy and 215/2014 Regulation
 - 2. Nature and biodiversity conservation within the EU Funds**
 - Analyzed how the priorities established by the Priority Action Framework have been included in the Rural Development Programs.
 - 3. Environmental assessment of the operational Programs and their actions**
 - Proposed a list of environmental indicators to be used, voluntarily, by regional authorities.
 - Analyzed the environmental selection criteria in EAE, OPs and Monitoring Committees trying to identify their consistency throughout the programming logic.
 - From now on the WG will focus on the monitoring of the OPs.
 - Member of the OP Monitoring Committees to assure the compliance with the Sustainable Development Horizontal Principle (Art. 8 Regulation (UE) 1303/2013)
- Participating in the ENEA-MA WG on environmental integration in the 2014-2020 Programming period





Thank you!



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