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Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

The Macaulay Institute is the project coordinator, with overall responsibility for the management, timetabling and production of deliverables from the project, and the reporting of expenditure to the EU. Partner 1 is also responsible for WP5 (elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures) and WP9 (project synthesis). They are the lead participant for deliverables D1, D3, D7, D13, D14 and D15.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	1
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	2
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	2
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	1
WP5	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures	5.5
WP6	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures	1
WP7	Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	3
WP8	General design of grids and software development	4.5
WP9	Project synthesis	2

List of deliverables

Deliverable No.	Deliverable Title	Delivery Date	Nature	Dissemination Level	Lead Responsibility
D1	Internal and public website	3	O	PU	X
D2	Summary report on review of payment calculations for RD measures	7	R	PU	
D3	First annual report to Commission	12	R	CO	X
D4	Methodological grid for agri-environment measures	22	P, R	PU	
D5	Methodological grid for compensatory allowances	22	P, R	PU	
D6	Methodological grid for Natura 2000 payments	22	P, R	PU	
D7	Methodological grid for forestry measures	22	P, R	PU	X
D8	Methodological grid for animal welfare measures	22	P, R	PU	
D9	Methodological grid for meeting standards measures	22	P, R	PU	
D10	Summary report on case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	22	R	P U	
D11	Summary report on grid development	23	R	PU	
D12	Software tool for methodological grids and user guide on grid development	23	P, R	PU	
D13	Second annual report to Commission	24	R	CO	X
D14	Project synthesis and final report to Commission	24	R	CO	X
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Completed

Workpackage number	1 (Review of payment calculations)
Start date	Month 1
Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Workpackage WP1 was completed in the first year.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP2 Partner P1 used the remaining 50% of the planned staff allocation in the second project year.

The activities of Partner P1 included the provision of feedback to the lead partner P3 on the various drafts of ‘agri-environment grids’. The feedback covered general aspects on the terminology, structure and core parts of the draft grids (e.g. baseline requirements, relevant commitments defined in the rural development measures, lists of practices reflecting required changes in farm management, lists of cost, revenue and income components and payment differentiation categories and elements) and aspects in relation to the potential applicability of the draft grids under Scottish circumstances. The comments provided by Partner P1 were incorporated into the revised draft grids presented at the project meetings and workshops in Venice, Santorini and Berlin in February, June and September 2008.

Feedback was then provided during the finalization of the grids which were then presented at the final project workshop in Brussels. Partner P1 also provided feedback on the material sent to WP8 for the software development. A specific aspect was the development of a classification of the practices.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP3 Partner P1 used the remaining 50% of the planned staff allocation in the second project year.

The activities of Partner P1 included the provision of feedback to the lead partner P6 on the various drafts of 'natural handicap grids'. The feedback covered general aspects on the terminology, structure and core parts of the draft grids (e.g. baseline requirements, relevant commitments defined in the rural development measures, lists of practices reflecting required changes in farm management, lists of cost, revenue and income components and payment differentiation categories and elements) and aspects in relation to the potential applicability of the draft grids under Scottish circumstances. The comments provided by Partner P1 were incorporated into the revised draft grids presented at the project meetings and workshops in Venice, Santorini and Berlin in February, June and September 2008.

Feedback was then provided during the finalization of the grids which were then presented at the final project workshop in Brussels. Partner P1 also provided feedback on the material sent to WP8 for the software development. A specific aspect was the development of a classification of the practices.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP4 Partner P1 used the remaining 50% of the planned staff allocation in the second project year.

The activities of Partner P1 included the provision of feedback to the lead partner P4 on the various drafts of ‘Natura 2000 grids’. The feedback covered general aspects on the terminology, structure and core parts of the draft grids (e.g. baseline requirements, relevant commitments defined in the rural development measures, lists of practices reflecting required changes in farm management, lists of cost, revenue and income components and payment differentiation categories and elements) and aspects in relation to the potential applicability of the draft grids under Scottish circumstances. The comments provided by Partner P1 were incorporated into the revised draft grids presented at the project meetings and workshops in Venice, Santorini and Berlin in February, June and September 2008. However, while some feedback was also provided the work on the Natura 2000 measure on agricultural land, the feedback of partner P1 focused on the Natura 2000 measure on forestry land. Similar key issues (for example in relation to specific baseline requirements and specific cost and revenue components) discussed and developed in close collaboration with partner P4, in particular during a visit of partner P4 in Scotland in March 2008.

Feedback was then provided during the finalization of the grids which were then presented at the final project workshop in Brussels. Partner P1 also provided feedback on the material sent to WP8 for the software development. A specific aspect was the development of a classification of the practices.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	5.5
Months used in first year	2.5
Months used in second year	3

Activities undertaken

Partner P1 was responsible for workpackage WP5. In the second project year, partner P1 used the remaining three person months to carry out the required tasks.

Following the review, partner P1 started with preparatory work for the development of preliminary methodological grids for forestry measures. Using the first draft of the general framework for the grid development, partner P1 prepared a first draft for the 'forestry grids' based on examples of existing payment calculations in forestry measures in Scotland and Germany including first ideas for the inclusion of baseline criteria in the payment calculations. The first draft built in particular on the logic framework models for payment calculations in forestry measures which were developed for afforestation measures 221 – 223 and forestry environment payments in collaboration between partners P1 and P7. The first drafts were then presented at the project meeting in Venice in February 2008.

Following detailed discussions with all partners at the meeting, in a first step the logic framework has been revised and expanded. The revised logic frameworks differentiate between core elements for the payment calculations as identified in the review in the first project year and additional (new) core elements added following a gap analysis of existing payment calculations. In a second step, a step-by-step template for the grid development and application and the drafts forestry grids were revised accordingly. The revisions entailed the compilation of lists of relevant elements for the different core parts of the methodological grids including baseline requirements, relevant commitments defined in the rural development measures, lists of practices reflecting required changes in farm management, lists of cost, revenue and income components and payment

differentiation categories and elements. These parts have then been integrated in the revised methodological grids. The developed grids take into account natural, agronomic and silvicultural conditions and production systems and techniques as well as existing methods for payment calculations in RD measures. The elaborated drafts of the forestry grids were then presented at the workshop with government representatives in Santorini in June 2008.

Based on the feedback from the Santorini workshop, the methodological grids for forestry measures were again revised and completed. The lists of the different core parts such as practices and cost, revenue and income components were revised applying a harmonized terminology across the different workpackages. The actual calculation process in the grids has been adjusted to 2 levels of calculations plus a third level providing guidance on further calculation details. However, users of the forestry grids have the opportunity to add more calculation levels as well as the option to add practices and cost, revenue and income components. Moreover, baselines for forestry environment payments were revised in collaboration between partners P1 and P4, and partners P1 and P8 developed a classification of the practices included in the grids to enhance the user friendliness of the grids.

For the purpose of software tool development (WP8), further work on the forestry grids was carried out in cooperation between partner P1 and P8. The different core parts of the grids were adjusted to fit with the design of the software and provided to the software development in workpackage WP8. Finally the completed forestry grids were delivered in the form of deliverable report D7.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP6, partner P1 used the remaining 50% of the planned staff allocation in the second project year.

The activities of partner P1 included the provision of feedback to the lead partner P5 on the various drafts of ‘animal welfare and meeting standard grids’. The feedback covered general aspects on the terminology, structure and core parts of the draft grids (e.g. baseline requirements, relevant commitments defined in the rural development measures, lists of practices reflecting required changes in farm management, lists of cost, revenue and income components and payment differentiation categories and elements) and aspects in relation to the potential applicability of the draft grids under Scottish circumstances. The comments provided by partner P1 were incorporated into the revised draft grids presented at the project meetings and workshops in Venice, Santorini and Berlin in February, June and September 2008.

Feedback was then provided during the finalisation of the grids which were then presented at the final project workshop in Brussels. Partner P1 also provided feedback on the material sent to WP8 for the software development. A specific aspect was the development of a classification of the practices.

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP7 Partner P1 used the remaining three person months of the planned staff allocation in the second project year.

Based on discussion with bilateral discussions with partner P2 and discussions at the project meetings and workshops, Scottish examples were selected for the extension of the case-study analyses. Partner P1 contributed to the case study analysis of partner P2 by preparing a database for the Scottish examples, based on the Farm Account Survey and Agricultural Census, and feedback and comments to the results of the case study analysis.

In addition, partner P1 provided the tutorials for the application of the grids for the forestry measures using the new software tool according to guidelines prepared by partner P2.

Partner P1 also led the workshop-based farm-level assessment to support the assessment of the different payment calculations. Partner P1 used the LADSS bio-economic model for case study of organic farming payments in the uplands of central Scotland. The case-study compared for the same farm the existing conventional system with a hypothetical converted organic system. Since the only measure common to all EU27 countries was payment for conversion to, and support for, organic production, this was chosen as the measure to be assessed. This measure was also of interest since it entails significant enterprise and management change and as such has significant opportunities for changes to both additional costs and income forgone. The lessons from organic conversion/production are thus relevant to agri-environmental, animal welfare and other measures. The outcomes of the farm-scale analysis were presented and formed the basis for deliberation in a multi-perspective stakeholder workshop organized by partner P1 and

hosted by the Scottish Government in September 2008. This included participants from government, NGOs, trade bodies and practitioners. Taking into account the feedback from the workshop, partner P1 provided a synthesis of the results to partner P2 and included in deliverable D10.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	4.5
Months used in first year	1.5
Months used in second year	3

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP8 Partner P1 used the remaining three person months of the planned staff allocation in the second project year.

Following the guidelines for the grid development provided by partner P7, partner P1 carried out an assessment of the baseline requirements of the selected rural development measures in Scotland including their linkage to the payment calculations and sent a summary to partner P7.

Partner P1 provided feedback to the general framework for the grid development – including the concept of two separate calculation approaches: one based on FADN and another one based on production processes - developed by partner P7. Partner P1 then introduced the step-by-step approach for the grid development and application which was then incorporated in the general framework of the grid development and then implemented across the various workpackages.

The software tool was developed in several stages by partner P1. The software tool was developed with NET Framework 2.0 and pdf-format for the reporting documents, which implies that users need the Adobe Reader software. Partner P1 collated and adjusted the different components (e.g. lists of classified practices, lists of cost, revenue and income components etc.) of the various grids provided by the other partners and incorporated those in the software in collaboration with Partner P8. The developed software transforms the methodological grids into a new payment calculation tool. The user-friendly design of the software tool and a user guide enable government agencies within the EU to calculate payments applying a harmonized step-by-step approach while maintaining sufficient scope to account for variations in available data. The application of the software is

expected to facilitate the justification of rural development payments between the member states and the European Commission.

The different beta versions of the software were presented and discussed at project meetings and workshops. The final version of the software has been tested with representatives from government agencies and presented to the Commission in month 24. finally, partner P1 wrote the software's user guide and sent the deliverable to the European Commission. In addition, a CD with the software tool has been provided to the European Commission, too.

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

Partner P1, with support from all other partners, coordinated the project synthesis and produced the second annual and final project reports. Partner P1 coordinated the dissemination of results and organised a final workshop in December 2008 in Brussels to present and demonstrate the methodological grids and the software tool to representatives of the government agencies from the partner countries and the Commission Services.

For the synthesis of the project results partners P1, in collaboration with partner P8, has collated the deliverable reports and developed a synthesis of the main findings, taking into account country and RD measure-specific outcomes and characteristics of the grids. The synthesis of the main project results formed the basis for the final report which will be delivered to the Commission one week after the submission of the annual reports.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	4.5
Months used in first year	2
Months used in second year	2.5

Activities undertaken

Partner P1 is responsible for the management, timetabling and production of deliverables from the project, and the reporting of expenditure to the EU. The management team of partner P1 consisting of the project coordinator and a project administration officer have carried out these tasks throughout the reporting period. Partner P1 has overseen the receipt of the monthly progress forms and analysis of potential problems and has coordinated as required the inter-WP liaison and scheduling of exchange of WP outputs. Partner 1 has also carried out all required editing tasks in relation to the deliverable reports. The project meetings and workshops have been organised in collaboration between partner P1 and the hosting partner.

The project management board, chaired by the project coordinator, has regularly discussed the progress of the project in meetings around the project meetings as well as through regular phone and email exchange. The management board has reviewed the progress of the project against the original timetable, and taken appropriated action such as adjusting the deadlines of a small number of milestones taking into account occurring problems to resolve the situations.

Partner P1 provided the proforma for the monthly progress reports and coordinated the monthly reporting throughout the project indicating key tasks being undertaken, key results, problems encountered and progress with respect to the project timetable. This, as well as the project management board meetings, enabled detailed assessments of the project status at various stages. Partner P1 ensured that each partner has provided the required financial statements to the European Commission.

Partner P1 has carried out the overall technical co-ordination, administration, and quality control. Each internal report has been reviewed by the responsible partner team and

workpackage manager and then finally been discussed by the project management board chaired by partner P1. The deliverables have been internally reviewed by partner P1 before the deliverables have been published.

An email listserver has been established at the beginning of the project by partner P1, enabling communication of administrative and general information across the partnership, including sub-contractors. A project World Wide Web (WWW) platform hosts 'public' and 'private' sections. The public pages disseminate the project's aims and objectives, progress and published results. The private pages allow communication between partners and are secured by user identifiers and passwords.

Non-staff resources

Travel and subsistence costs were incurred for the project meetings, for the national meetings in Scotland, the invitation of government representatives to the AGRIGRID workshops in Santorini and Brussels and for dissemination of project results at an international conference in Estonia and Denmark.

A laptop was purchased for the interviews, depreciated over a time-period of three years.

Sub-contracting

No further sub-contracts have been made in the second project year.

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Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

vTI is responsible for WP7 (case study analysis of existing and proposed grids). They are the lead participant for deliverable D10.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	1
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	2
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	2
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	1
WP5	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures	1
WP6	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures	1
WP7	Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	10
WP8	General design of grids and software development	3
WP9	Project synthesis	1

List of deliverables

Deliverable No.	Deliverable Title	Delivery Date	Nature	Dissemination Level	Lead Responsibility
D1	Internal and public website	3	O	PU	
D2	Summary report on review of payment calculations for RD measures	7	R	PU	
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D6	Methodological grid for Natura 2000 payments	22	P, R	PU	
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D10	Summary report on case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	22	R	PU	X
D11	Summary report on grid development	23	R	PU	
D12	Software tool for methodological grids and user guide on grid development	23	P, R	PU	
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D14	Project synthesis and final report to Commission	24	R	CO	
D15	Technical implementation plan to Commission	24	R	CO	



Completed

Workpackage number	1 (Review of payment calculations)
Start date	Month 1
Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

All work for this Workpackage was completed in Year 1.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

The activities of Partner 2 in the second project year focused on feedback given to partner P3 on the drafts of ‘agri-environment grids’. The comments provided by Partner 2 were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008. Milestone M2.3 was finalized in project month 14.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

In the second project year, the activity of Partner P2 focused on feedback given to Partner P6 on the drafts of ‘natural handicap payment grids’. The comments provided by Partner 2 were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008. Milestone M3.3 was finalised in project month 14.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Work on Workpackage 4 for Partner 2 was completed in year 1.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Work for Workpackage 5 by Partner 2 was completed in year 1.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Work for Workpackage 6 by Partner 2 was completed in year 1.

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	10
Months used in first year	3.5
Months used in second year	10

Activities undertaken

In the second project year, methodology and evaluation algorithms (SAS; GAMS) for a systematic evaluation of efficiency and effectiveness of payment differentiation based on FADN data were finalised. Specifically, the OECD framework for evaluating the implementation costs of agricultural policies was adopted and modified with a view to the evaluation of payment differentiation. For selected partner countries, access to the national FADN data bases was established, and potential differentiation criteria were identified. Exemplar case studies for selected agri-environment programmes were carried out for Germany, Italy, the Czech Republic and Scotland based on the respective national FADN data. The results were presented and discussed at workshops with government representatives in Santorini and Brussels and with stakeholders in Edinburgh, and in a scientific setting at the Annual Conference of the Agricultural Economics Society. The WP7 summary report on case study analysis of existing and proposed grids (D10) was finalised and sent to the Commission in month 23.

As an input to the user guide for the software tool, the final grids were applied to selected measures in different countries to illustrate the payment calculations for representative examples (M7.3). To ensure a harmonised manual, Partner 2 developed guidelines and a template for a tutorial based on documented examples of an application of the software tool. Partner 2 also produced a tutorial for calculating payments for agri-environmental measures, using a calculation for organic farming schemes in Germany as an example.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	2.5

Activities undertaken

The input of Partner 2 focused on suggestions and feedback on the general design and structure of the grids and the software tool, specifically with a view to incorporating the results of the case studies (D10) regarding payment differentiation and stakeholder requirements. Different pre-versions of the software tool were tested and feedback and suggestions for improvement provided to P1. A documented application of the software tool to a payment calculation for a German agri-environmental measure was drawn up for the final workshop in Brussels, and is included in the software tool as an exemplar library.

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

Partner 2 contributed to the organisation and implementation of the final project workshop in Brussels with representatives of the government agencies from the partner countries and the Commission Services. The results of WP7, as well as a documented application of the software tool to a payment calculation for a German agri-environmental measure, were presented and discussed.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0.25
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

Partner 2 has coordinated the activities and safeguarded the adequate progression of their activities and the responsible deployment of the financial resources provided by the project. Particular attention was paid to the management of the workpackage WP7. In their role of Workpackage Manager, Partner 2 carried out the quality control and assurance of the work in workpackage WP7 and ensured the adequate progress of the project milestones. Problems have been quickly identified and delays in the delivery of work, using agreed reporting forms, have been reported to the coordinator and management board. Partner 2 participated in project management board discussions. The management board has reviewed the progress of the project against the original timetable, and taken appropriated action such as adjusted the deadlines of a small number of milestones taking into account occurring problems to resolve the situations. Moreover, Partner 2 provided monthly progress reports throughout the second year.

Non-staff resources

Travel costs were incurred for the project meetings/workshops in Venice, Berlin, Santorini, and Brussels, the workshop with stakeholders in Edinburgh, the invitation of a government representative to the AGRIGRID workshops in Santorini and Brussels, and the visit to Partner 4 in Brno for access to the Czech national farm accountancy data network for the analysis of the effectiveness and efficiency of payment differentiations (WP7).

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Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

The Agricultural University of Athens is responsible for WP2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures). They are the lead participant for deliverables D4.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	1
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	9
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	2
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	1
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Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1

Activities undertaken

This workpackage was completed in year 1.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	9
Months used in first year	7
Months used in second year	12

Activities undertaken

During the second year of the project, Partner P3 produced and presented three drafts, consulted with project partners and finalised the methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environmental measures. The result was a report on this framework (D4). To this report should be added the Excel files with the actual calculations for the two case examples selected.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

During the second year of the project, Partner P3 contributed with information and comments to the drafts presented by the team leading the WP.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

During the second year of the project, Partner P3 contributed with information and comments to the drafts presented by the team leading the WP.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

During the second year of the project, Partner P3 contributed with information and comments to the draft presented by the team leading the WP.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

During the second year of the project, Partner P3 contributed with information and comments to the drafts presented by the team leading the WP.

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

During the second year of the project, Partner P3 contributed with information and comments to the drafts presented by the team leading the WP.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.2
Months used in second year	0.8

Activities undertaken

During the second year of the project, Partner P3 contributed with information and comments to the drafts presented by the team leading the WP. After testing the software developed, P3 produced a ‘Tutorial for calculating payments for agri-environmental measures’.

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

During the final phase of the project, Partner P3 contributed with its corresponding parts to the project synthesis.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0.25
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

During the second year, Partner P3 organised one national representatives' and project meeting at Santorini, and participated in all other project meetings.

Non-staff resources

Travel costs incurred for the project meetings in Venice, Santorini, Berlin and Brussels.

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Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

The Research Institute of Agricultural Economics is responsible for WP1 (Review of payment calculations) and WP4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 measures). They are the lead participant for deliverables D2 and D6.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	6
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	2
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	2
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	6
WP5	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures	3
WP6	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures	1
WP7	Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	3
WP8	General design of grids and software development	1
WP9	Project synthesis	1

List of deliverables

Deliverable No.	Deliverable Title	Delivery Date	Nature	Dissemination Level	Lead Responsibility
D1	Internal and public website	3	O	PU	
D2	Summary report on review of payment calculations for RD measures	7	R	PU	X
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D8	Methodological grid for animal welfare measures	22	P, R	PU	
D9	Methodological grid for meeting standards measures	22	P, R	PU	
D10	Summary report on case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	22	R	PU	
D11	Summary report on grid development	23	R	PU	
D12	Software tool for methodological grids and user guide on grid development	23	P, R	PU	
D13	Second annual report to Commission	24	R	CO	
D14	Project synthesis and final report to Commission	24	R	CO	
D15	Technical implementation plan to Commission	24	R	CO	



Completed

Workpackage number	1 (Review of payment calculations)
Start date	Month 1
Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	6
Months used in first year	7
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

This workpackage was completed in year 1.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP2 Partner P4 has used remaining 50% of the planned staff allocation, one person month, in the second project year.

Following the review of payment calculations and the general framework for the grid development provided by Partner P7, partner P3 started with preparatory work for the development of preliminary methodological grids for agri-environment measures and prepared a first draft for the ‘agri-environment grids’ including first ideas for the inclusion of baseline criteria in the payment calculations (Milestone M2.3). The activity of Partner P4 focused on feedback given to partner P3 on the first draft of ‘agri-environment grids’ (i.e. the relevance and applicability of developed draft to the Czech specificities and needed modification). The comments provided by Partner P4 were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008.

With regard to a need to clarify final form of grids, level of detail and some issues relating payment calculation process, there was an additional meeting of project partners in Berlin in September 2008 to discuss possibilities of consolidation of grids and harmonization of terminology.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP3 partner P4 has used remaining 50% of the planned staff allocation, one person month, in the second project year.

Following the review of payment calculations and the general framework for the grid development provided by partner P7, partner P6 started with preparatory work for the development of preliminary methodological grids for natural handicap payments and prepared a first draft for the ‘natural handicap payment grids’ including first ideas for the inclusion of baseline criteria in the payment calculations (Milestone M3.3).

The activity of partner P4 focused on feedback given to partner P6 on the first draft of ‘natural handicap payment grids’ (i.e. the relevance and applicability of developed draft to the Czech specificities and needed modification). The comments provided by partner P4 were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008.

With regard to a need to clarify final form of grids, level of detail and some issues relating payment calculation process, there was an additional meeting of project partners in Berlin in September 2008 to discuss possibilities of consolidation of grids and harmonization of terminology.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	6
Months used in first year	5
Months used in second year	5

Activities undertaken

As the lead partner of workpackage WP4, three person months were used in the second year, which is two months more than initially planned.

Since previous milestones M4.1 and M4.2 had been completed already in the first project year, the work in WP4 focused on fulfilling remaining objectives 2 and particularly 3 and 4 – to develop a national and general grid for the calculation on Natura 2000 payments.

Based on previous work (Review of calculation methods) and the general framework for the grid development provided by partner P7 in workpackage WP8, partner P4 prepared first draft measure-specific grids for investigated RD measure (i.e. one grid for 213 measure – Natura 2000 payments on agricultural land and one grid for 224 measure - Natura 2000 payments on forestry land). This first version of the adjusted measure-specific grids for Natura 2000 payments was circulated among project partners to check an adaptation of grids to their country-specific conditions. The comments provided by partners were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008 (Milestone M4.3).

Taking into account the outcome of the mid-term workshop, national grids were consolidated to one methodological grid for calculation Natura 2000 payments (especially to two grids – one for 213 and second for 224 measure). The work covered mainly a consolidation of: commitments and relevant practices, cost and revenue components, differentiation criteria of payments and calculation of income foregone and additional costs.

The consolidated methodological grid for the calculation of Natura 2000 payments (213 and 224) including Excel examples of calculation process (based on a step by step approach) was presented at the fourth project meeting and second workshop with government representatives in Santorini in Greece in July 2008.

With regard to a need to clarify final form of grids, level of detail and some issues relating payment calculation process, an additional meeting of project partners was organized in Berlin in September 2008 to discuss possibilities of consolidation of grids and harmonization of terminology.

Based on outcomes from the Santorini workshop and Berlin meeting, the methodological grid for Natura 2000 payments was improved, completed and finally delivered to WP8 in form of deliverable report D6 in November 2008 (Milestone M4.4 completed).

As a last step, the particular measure-specific methodological grid was presented through the developed software tool to representatives of the government agencies and the Commission Services at the final project meeting in Brussels in December 2008.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

Partner P4 has used remaining two person months for workpackage WP5 in the second project year.

Following the review of payment calculations and the general framework for the grid development provided by partner P7, partner P1 started with preparatory work for the development of preliminary methodological grids for forestry measures and prepared a first draft for the ‘forestry grids’ including first ideas for the inclusion of baseline criteria in the payment calculations (Milestone M5.3). The activity of partner P4 focused on feedback given to partner P1 on the first draft of ‘forestry grids’ (i.e. the relevance and applicability of developed draft to the Czech specific case and needed modification). The comments provided by partner P4 were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008.

With respect to similar issues arising during development of grids for forestry measures (e.g. specific cost and revenue components not included in FADN, non-existence of baseline requirements, similar terminology and sometimes as well the methodology of determining the rate of compensation etc.) a bilateral meeting between partner P1 and P4 was realized in Aberdeen in March 2008.

Additionally with regard to a need to clarify the final form of grids, level of detail and some issues relating payment calculation process, an additional meeting of project partners was organised in Berlin in September 2008 to discuss possibilities of consolidation of grids and harmonisation of terminology.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

For workpackage WP6, partner P4 has used the remaining 50% of the planned staff allocation, half of person month, in the second project year.

Following the review of payment calculations and the general framework for the grid development provided by partner P7, partner P5 started with preparatory work for the development of preliminary methodological grids for animal welfare and meeting standards measures and prepared a first draft of the ‘animal welfare and meeting standards grids’ including first ideas for the inclusion of baseline criteria in the payment calculations (Milestone M6.3). The activity of partner P4 focused on feedback given to partner P5 on the first draft of ‘animal welfare and meeting standards grids’ (i.e. the relevance and applicability of developed draft to the Czech specificities and needed modification). The comments provided by partner P4 were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008.

With regard to a need to clarify the final form of grids, level of detail and some issues relating payment calculation process, an additional meeting of project partners was organised in Berlin in September 2008 to discuss possibilities of consolidation of grids and harmonisation of terminology.

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	0.25
Months used in second year	2.75

Activities undertaken

Partner P4 has used remaining 2.75 person months in workpackage WP7 in the second year.

Based on discussion with partner P2 and final decision provided at the mid-term workshop, the extension of the case-study analyses by Czech examples was approved. Participation in the case-study within WP7 for partner P4 consisted of the following tasks: an implementation of WP7 methodology to Czech case-study, preparation of the database for the Czech case-study analysis, joint work on analysis with vTI partner in August 2008 and provision of comments to results of analysis.

Next to fulfill the fourth objectives of workpackage WP7 and milestones M7.3, partner P4 provided the documentation of examples for the application of the new grids for the software tool according to guidelines prepared by partner P2. This documentation was prepared in form of software tutorials which were included finally to the user guide.

In case of Natura 2000 payments (responsibility of partner P4) two tutorials (i.e. one tutorial for 213 and one for 224 measure) were provided included each one country-specific example.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	3.5

Activities undertaken

Partner P4 has used three person months in workpackage WP8 in the second year, which is two and half months more than initially planned.

Following the guidelines for the grid development provided by partner P7 as well as DoW, partner P4 provided an identification and assessment of Czech baseline requirements relating to selected RD measures including their linkage to the payment calculations (the second objective of WP8).

Based on previous work (Review of calculation methods) and the general framework for the grid development provided by partner P7 in workpackage WP8, partner P4 started to develop national and further general methodological grids for Natura 2000 payments. The development of grid brought a wide set of comments both from partner P7 and WP2-WP6 leaders. The comments were incorporated into the revised draft presented at the mid-term workshop in Venice in February 2008 and lately at an additional meeting of project partners in Berlin in September 2008.

Moreover, the software tool had to be developed in WP8 which brought following specific activities undertaken by partner P4:

- linkage table including the list of commitments, baseline and particular activities completed by identified cost / revenue components was compiled for the two country-specific examples per each Natura 2000 measures (213, 224),
- list of the most frequent commitments and activities across all investigated countries was prepared,
- modification of list of cost and revenue components within the newly

designed Practices approach was specified,

- discussion, testing and comments to software tool and its user guide was provided.

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

Partner P4 has used one person months in workpackage WP9 in the second year.

The activity undertaken was participation and responsibility to present and demonstrate the particular measure-specific methodological grid through the developed software tool to representatives of the government agencies and the Commission Services at the final project meeting in Brussels in December 2008.

Further activity was to cooperate with project coordinator on the dissemination of project results and invite relevant end-users of software tool to workshops held during project.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0.25
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

Partner P4 has coordinated the activities and safeguarded the adequate progression of their activities and the responsible deployment of the financial resources provided by the project. Particular attention was paid, in the second year, to the management of the workpackage WP4. In their role of workpackage manager, partner P4 carried out the quality control and assurance of the work in workpackage WP4 and ensured the adequate progress of the project milestones. Problems have been quickly identified and delays in the delivery of work, using agreed reporting forms, have been reported to the coordinator and management board. Partner P4 participated in project management board discussions. The management board has reviewed the progress of the project against the original timetable, and taken appropriated action such as adjusted the deadlines of a small number of milestones taking into account occurring problems to resolve the situations. Moreover, partner P4 continued to provide monthly progress reports throughout the second year and were responsible for collation and providing financial reports per WP4 to the European Commission.

Non-staff resources

Travel costs were incurred for the following meetings:

- mid-term workshop in Venice, Italy (February 2008)
- bilateral meeting of partner P1 and P4 in Aberdeen, Scotland (March 2008)
- fourth project meeting and second workshop with government representatives in Santorini, Greece (July 2008)
- additional meeting of all project partners in Berlin, Germany (September 2008)
- final project meeting in Brussels (December 2008)

and the invitation of government representatives to the AGRIGRID workshop in Santorini in Greece.

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Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

The Lithuanian Institute of Agrarian Economics is responsible for WP6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation of animal welfare and meeting standard measures). They are the lead participant for deliverables D8 and D9.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	1
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	2
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	2
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	2
WP5	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures	1
WP6	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures	8
WP7	Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	3
WP8	General design of grids and software development	1
WP9	Project synthesis	1

List of deliverables

Deliverable No.	Deliverable Title	Delivery Date	Nature	Dissemination Level	Lead Responsibility
D1	Internal and public website	3	O	PU	
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D7	Methodological grid for forestry measures	22	P, R	PU	
D8	Methodological grid for animal welfare measures	22	P, R	PU	X
D9	Methodological grid for meeting standards measures	22	P, R	PU	X
D10	Summary report on case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	22	R	PU	
D11	Summary report on grid development	23	R	PU	
D12	Software tool for methodological grids and user guide on grid development	23	P, R	PU	
D13	Second annual report to Commission	24	R	CO	
D14	Project synthesis and final report to Commission	24	R	CO	
D15	Technical implementation plan to Commission	24	R	CO	



Completed

Workpackage number	1 (Review of payment calculations)
Start date	Month 1
Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

All work was completed in 2007.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1.25
Months used in second year	0.75

Activities undertaken

In this phase, the LAEI team participated in the identification and collection of the relevant practices, to be covered by the grid for the calculation of agri-environment measures. These practices were classified by the WP leading team, taking into account the existing classification attempts. Using experience gained in previous work in combination with expert knowledge and stakeholder consultation, the practices were linked to structural characteristics of the participating farms and to specific cost elements or income foregone. The team actively participated at a mid-term workshop (WS3) when preliminary national grids were presented and experiences and progress in the grid development was evaluated. Taking into account the outcome of the mid-term workshop, the LAEI team participated in the revision of national grids.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1.25
Months used in second year	0.75

Activities undertaken

In this phase, the LAEI team participated in the identification and collection of the relevant practices, to be covered by the grid for the calculation of compensatory allowances. These practices were classified by the WP leading team, taking into account the existing classification attempts. Using experience gained in previous work in combination with expert knowledge and stakeholder consultation, the practices were linked to structural characteristics of the participating farms and to specific cost elements or income foregone. The team actively participated at a mid-term workshop (WS3) when preliminary national grids were presented and experiences and progress in the grid development was evaluated. Taking into account the outcome of the mid-term workshop, the LAEI team participated in the revision of national grids.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

In this phase, the LAEI team participated in the identification and collection of the relevant practices, to be covered by the grid for the calculation of Natura 2000 payments. These practices were classified by the WP leading team, taking into account the existing classification attempts. Using experience gained in previous work in combination with expert knowledge and stakeholder consultation, the practices were linked to structural characteristics of the participating farms and to specific cost elements or income foregone. The team actively participated at a mid-term workshop (WS3) when preliminary national grids were presented and experiences and progress in the grid development was evaluated. Taking into account the outcome of the mid-term workshop, the LAEI team participated in the revision of national grids.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0.5
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

In this phase, the LAEI team participated in the identification and collection of the relevant practices, to be covered by the grid for the calculation of forestry measures. These practices were classified by the WP leading team, taking into account the existing classification attempts. Using experience gained in previous work in combination with expert knowledge and stakeholder consultation, the practices were linked to structural characteristics of the participating farms and to specific cost elements or income foregone. The team actively participated at a mid-term workshop (WS3) when preliminary national grids were presented and experiences and progress in the grid development was evaluated. Taking into account the outcome of the mid-term workshop, the LAEI team participated in the revision of national grids.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	8
Months used in first year	6
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

LAEI is the leading partner in WP6. In this year following the review, methodological grids for calculating payments in the animal welfare and meeting standard measures were developed. This phase was carried out in close collaboration with WP8 which provides the general design of the grids (M8.1). Following the same approach as outlined in WP2 – WP5, grids based on quantifiable criteria were developed for all partner countries, including those where these measures have not been applied in the past. Specific baseline requirements as well as issues in relation to transaction costs and the application of the standard cost approach were implemented in the methodological grids, based on an internal report provided by WP8 (M8.2). At a mid-term workshop (WS3) preliminary national grids were presented (M6.3) and experiences and progress in grid developments and case study analysis were evaluated. Taking into account the outcome of the mid-term workshop, national grids were revised and synthesized to methodological grids for calculating payments in the animal welfare and meeting standard measures. Finally, the grids were forwarded to WP8 (D8 and D9, M6.4).

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

Based on the internal reports, a literature review case study was done in Lithuania. The data was analysed and presented to the lead partner of this WP. The results were presented during the mid-term and final workshop.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

The LAEI team participated in the development of the general design and structure of the grids. The work included an assessment of the different baseline requirements for the different policy measures in Lithuania, particularly focusing on the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measure. Information on the different baselines was collated by team members to support the team leading the WP in this sub-task. LAEI participated in the development of general grid (Logic Model Diagram). The general framework for the grids was adapted by the WP 6 to develop the more detailed policy measure-specific grids. The team participated and contributed to mid-term and final workshops.

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

The WP is led by the project coordinator (Participant 1). The project synthesis was completed and a final project report was produced. The dissemination of results was done and LAEI team participated in a final workshop to present and demonstrate the methodological grids for animal welfare and meeting standard measure to representatives of the government agencies from the partner countries and the Commission Services.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0.25
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

The main work was to communicate with the Project co-ordinator and other project partners.

Non-staff resources

For the project implementation, other resources from LAEI (computer support, accounting, secretarial services etc) were used.

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Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

MTT Agrifood Research Finland is responsible for WP3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for natural handicap payments). They are the lead participant for deliverable D5.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	1
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	3
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	8
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	3
WP5	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures	1
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Completed

Workpackage number	1 (Review of payment calculations)
Start date	Month 1
Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1.2
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Workpackage 1 was completed during the first project year.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	3
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

No staff time was used under Workpackage WP2 by Partner P6 in the second project year. The time required for providing comments and feedback on the development of methodological grids for agri-environment measures were accounted for under Workpackage WP4.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	8
Months used in first year	6
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

As the lead partner of workpackage WP3, Partner P6 has used 2 person months for this workpackage in the second project year.

Partner P6 had started the development of the measure-specific grid for natural handicap payments already during the first project year in close collaboration with WP8. The improved second version of the national natural handicap payments grids were sent to all partners in February 2008, and a presentation on natural handicap payments grid development was given at the Venice project meeting.

The development of natural handicap payment grids continued after the Venice project meeting and P6 sent the proposal for the logic framework for the natural handicap payment measures to the other partners in April 2008.

In May and June, the cost components and differentiation categories and elements of the grids were harmonised before the Santorini workshop and project meeting, where a presentation on the draft of natural handicap payment grids and their application was given by P6 and progress in the grid development and the remaining key issues were discussed.

The lists of commitments and activities based on the two country-specific examples of natural handicap payment grids were compiled in July 2008. The revised measure-specific natural handicap payment grids were presented by Partner P6 at the project meeting held in Berlin in September 2008.

In October, the document containing the step-by-step approach for natural handicap payments was sent to all partners and the list of cost/revenue components, practices and differentiation categories/elements was completed.

The methodological grid for calculating natural handicap payments was completed and forwarded to WP8 in November. At the same time, the deliverable report D5 (Methodological grids for natural handicap payments) and the executive summary of the deliverable report were also finalised.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

Partner P6 has used 2 person months for workpackage WP4 in the second project year.

Partner P6 provided comments and feedback to partners P1, P3, P4, and P5 on preliminary national and methodological grids. In addition, partner P6 tested the Natura 2000 payments grids and tutorials.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

No staff time was used under workpackage WP5 by partner P6 in the second project year.

The time required for providing comments and feedback on the development of methodological grids for forestry measures were accounted for under workpackage WP4.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

No staff time was used under workpackage WP6 by Partner P6 in the second project year.

The time required for providing comments and feedback on the development of methodological grids for forestry measures were accounted for under workpackage WP4.

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	2
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

Partner P6 has used 1 person month for workpackage WP7 in the second project year.

As the result of discussions with Partner P2, Finnish examples were not included in the evaluation of efficiency and effectiveness of payment differentiation.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

Partner P6 has used 1 person month for workpackage WP8 in the second project year.

Partner P6 developed natural handicap payment grids in close collaboration with WP8. The cost components and differentiation categories and elements of the grids were harmonised before the Santorini workshop and project meeting in June 2008. The lists of commitments and activities based on the two country-specific examples of natural handicap payment grids were compiled in July. The list of cost/revenue components, practices and differentiation categories/elements was completed in October. The methodological grid for calculating natural handicap payments was completed and forwarded to WP8 in November. In December 2008, the library and grid files and the tutorial, which will demonstrate how to apply the AGRIGRID software tool to the calculation of natural handicap payments, were updated and tested after the final workshop and included into the final version of the software.

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	3

Activities undertaken

Partner P6 has used 3 person months for workpackage WP9 in the second project year.

Natural handicap payments library and grid files and the tutorial, which will demonstrate how to apply the AGRIGRID software tool to the calculation of natural handicap payments, were prepared for the final workshop and the project meeting held in Brussels in December 2008.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0.25
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

Partner P6 has coordinated the activities and safeguarded the adequate progression of their activities and the responsible deployment of the financial resources provided by the project. Particular attention was paid to the management of workpackage WP3. In their role of workpackage manager, partner P6 carried out the quality control and assurance of the work in workpackage WP3 and ensured the adequate progress of the project milestones. Problems have been quickly identified and delays in the delivery of work, using agreed reporting forms, have been reported to the coordinator and management board. Partner P6 participated in project management board discussions. The management board has reviewed the progress of the project against the original timetable, and taken appropriated action such as adjusted the deadlines of a small number of milestones taking into account occurring problems to resolve the situations. Moreover, Partner P6 provided monthly progress reports throughout the second project year.

Non-staff resources

Travel costs were incurred for the four project meetings in venice, santorini, Berlin and Brussels.

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Scientific team:

Team leader: Dr Luca Cesaro
 Team members: Filippo Chiozotto, Lorenzo Tarasconi, Franco
 Mari, Andrea Povellato, Antonella Trisorio

Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

INEA is responsible for WP8 (General design of grids and software development). They are the lead participant for deliverables D11 and D12.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	1
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	2
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	2
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	1
WP5	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures	1
WP6	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures	1
WP7	Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	3
WP8	General design of grids and software development	6
WP9	Project synthesis	1

List of deliverables

Deliverable No.	Deliverable Title	Delivery Date	Nature	Dissemination Level	Lead Responsibility
D1	Internal and public website	3	O	PU	
D2	Summary report on review of payment calculations for RD measures	7	R	PU	
D3	First annual report to Commission	12	R	CO	
D4	Methodological grid for agri-environment measures	22	P, R	PU	
D5	Methodological grid for compensatory allowances	22	P, R	PU	
D6	Methodological grid for Natura 2000 payments	22	P, R	PU	
D7	Methodological grid for forestry measures	22	P, R	PU	
D8	Methodological grid for animal welfare measures	22	P, R	PU	
D9	Methodological grid for meeting standards measures	22	P, R	PU	
D10	Summary report on case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	22	R	PU	
D11	Summary report on grid development	23	R	PU	X
D12	Software tool for methodological grids and user guide on grid development	23	P, R	PU	X
D13	Second annual report to Commission	24	R	CO	
D14	Project synthesis and final report to Commission	24	R	CO	
D15	Technical implementation plan to Commission	24	R	CO	



Completed

Workpackage number	1 (Review of payment calculations)
Start date	Month 1
Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

This workpackage was completed in year 1.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	2
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

During the first phase of the project, P7's role in WP2 was to provide information about payment calculations of measure 214 in the Italian RDPs, according with the questionnaire arranged by P3.

Being responsible for WP8, during the second phase P7 acted as supervisor of the development of the measure-specific grid, supplying at the same time the grid itself with specific data for Italy.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	2
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

During the first phase of the project, P7's role in WP3 was to provide information about payment calculations of measures 211 and 212 in the Italian RDPs, according with the questionnaire arranged by P6.

Being responsible for WP8, during the second phase P7 acted as supervisor of the development of this grid, supplying at the same time the grid itself with Italian data.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

During the first phase of the project, P7's role in WP4 was to provide information about payment calculations of measures 213 and 224 in the Italian RDPs, according with the questionnaire arranged by P4.

Being responsible for WP8, during the second phase P7 acted as supervisor of the development of this grid, supplying at the same time the grid itself with Italian data.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1.5

Activities undertaken

During the first phase of the project, P7's role in WP5 was to provide information about payment calculations of measures 221, 222, 223 and 225 in the Italian RDPs, according with the questionnaire arranged by P1.

Being responsible for WP8, during the second phase P7 acted as supervisor of the development of this grid, supplying at the same time the grid itself with Italian data.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	1
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

During the first phase of the project, P7's role in WP6 was to provide information about payment calculations of measures 131 and 215 in the Italian RDPs, according with the questionnaire arranged by P5.

Being responsible for WP8, during the second phase P7 acted as supervisor of the development of this grid, supplying at the same time the grid itself with Italian data.

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	3
Months used in first year	2
Months used in second year	2

Activities undertaken

The role of P7 in WP7 can be mainly divided into two different tasks:

- Following guidelines provided by P2, P7 carried out a review of existing Italian literature about payment calculations, performance of payments and other topics related to the development of the methodological grids;
- In accordance with the guidelines, P7 provided P2 with specific data taken from the Italian FADN database.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	6
Months used in first year	8
Months used in second year	12

Activities undertaken

P7 was the responsible for the development and coordination of WP8. Initially, P7 provided the other partners (and the horizontal workpackages in particular) with the general guidelines and the logic framework for the development of the methodological grids. Afterwards, P7 acted as supervisor, revising the measure-specific grids and supplying advices to keep them as uniform as possible among different measures. Meanwhile, P7 gathered information on baseline requirements collected by all partners and produced an internal report on their assessment.

In the final months of the project, P7 assisted P1 in the design and development of the software tool. Finally, based on the grid reports (D4 – D9) received from WP2 – WP6 and the case study report (D10) provided by WP7, P7 produced a summary report on grid development (D11).

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	1.25

Activities undertaken

P7 provided support to P1 in the project synthesis phase, participating in the final workshop and producing D11 for final project reporting.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0.25
Months used in second year	0.25

Activities undertaken

P7 organised one of the projet meetings, held in venice during month 14. P7 contributed to financial statements and auditing.

Non-staff resources

Sub-contracting

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Scientific team:

Team leader: Prof. Harald von witzke
Team members: Andreas Bohne

Contractual links to other partners

None

Role

HUB is responsible for providing input to workpackages WP5, WP8 and WP9. HUB has joined the consortium in October 2008.

Workpackages

Number	Title	Man-months
WP1	Review of payment calculations	0
WP2	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for agri-environment measures	0
WP3	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances	0
WP4	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments	0
WP5	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures	0.5
WP6	Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures	0
WP7	Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids	0
WP8	General design of grids and software development	0.5
WP9	Project synthesis	1

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D15	Technical implementation plan to Commission	24	R	CO	



Completed

Workpackage number	1 (Review of payment calculations)
Start date	Month 1
Completion date	Month 7
Total months budgeted	0
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

This workpackage was completed in year 1.

Workpackage number	2 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation in agri-environment measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	0
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 did not participate in workpackage WP2.

Workpackage number	3 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for compensatory allowances)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	0
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 did not participate in workpackage WP3.

Workpackage number	4 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for Natura 2000 payments)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	0
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 did not participate in workpackage WP4.

Workpackage number	5 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for forestry measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 used the allocated 0.5 person month in workpackage WP5 in the second year.

Partner P8, in collaboration with partner P1, developed a classification of the practices included in the grids to enhance the user friendliness of the grids. Furthermore, further work on the forestry grids was carried out in cooperation between partner P8 and P1. The different core parts of the grids were adjusted to fit with the design of the software and provided to the software development in workpackage WP8. Finally the completed forestry grids were delivered in form of deliverable report D7.

Workpackage number	6 (Elaboration of a methodological framework for the payment calculation for animal welfare and meeting standard measures)
Start date	Month 2
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	0
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 did not participate in workpackage WP6.

Workpackage number	7 (Case study analysis of existing and proposed grids)
Start date	Month 4
Completion date	Month 21
Total months budgeted	0
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 did not participate in workpackage WP7.

Workpackage number	8 (General design of grids and software development)
Start date	Month 5
Completion date	Month 23
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 used the allocated 0.5 person month in workpackage WP8 in the second year.

In collaboration with Partner P1, partner P8 collated and adjusted the different components of the various grids (e.g. lists of classified practices, lists of cost, revenue and income components etc.) provided by the other partners and incorporated those in the software. Partner P8 also contributed to the user guide of the software tool.

Workpackage number	9 (Project synthesis)
Start date	Month 21
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	1
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	1

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 used 1 person month in workpackage WP9. Partner P8 contributed to the organization of the final project workshop in Brussels and supported partner P1 in the project synthesis. Partner P8 contributed to the dissemination of project results and coordinated the publication in the magazine ‘The Public Service Review’.

Management and coordination activities

Start date	Month 01
Completion date	Month 24
Total months budgeted	0.5
Months used in first year	0
Months used in second year	0.5

Activities undertaken

Partner P8 has coordinated the activities and safeguarded the adequate progression of their activities and the responsible deployment of the financial resources provided by the project. Since partner P8 joined the project only for the last three months the contribution to the management and coordination of the project was limited to the organisation of the Brussels meeting and the coordination of the project reporting, both under guidance of partner P1.

Non-staff resources

Travel costs were incurred for project meetings in Aberdeen and Brussels. Costs were also incurred for the dissemination of results in the Magazine 'The Public Review'.

9. Overview of allocated and used staff resources

Person months per partner (budgeted and used)

	MLURI	FAL	AUA	VUZE	LAEI	MTT	INEA	IHE-HU	TOTAL months
Research/innovation activities									
Person month budget	22	22	20	25	20	24	18	2	153.00
Person month used in the first year	9	11	11.2	16.25	12	15.2	17	0	91.65
Person month used in the second year	13	14.5	16.05	16.75	8.5	9	21.75	2	101.55
Total used	22	25.5	27.25	33	20.5	24.2	38.75	2	193.20
Consortium management activities									
Person month budget	4.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	8.00
Person month used in the first year	2	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.75
Person month used in the second year	2.5	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	4.25
Total used	4.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	8.00
Total activities									
TOTAL ACTIVITIES BUDGETED	26.5	22.5	20.5	25.5	20.5	24.5	18.5	2.5	161.00
TOTAL ACTIVITIES USED	26.5	26	27.75	33.5	21	24.7	39.25	2.5	201.20

The above table shows that the number of person months used is higher than initially planned, in particular in the cases of partners P2, P3, P4 and P7. The higher number of person months results from the employment of new staff in a lower pay grade and additional contributions from partners' own resources.

10. Overview of financial contributions from the EC per partner

Research/InnovationActivities	MLURI	FAL	AUA	VUZE	LAEI	MTT	INEA	IHE-HU	TOTAL
Budget Claimed in 1 st Year	50474.01	57984.43	20262	42006.29	60243.91	64314.55	41208.88	0.00	336494.07
Budget Claimed in 2 nd Year	72932.79	69524.58	62731.73	53106.38	54454.65	55201.57	91758.49	9878.33	469588.52
Total Claimed from EU	123406.80	127509.01	82993.73	95112.67	114698.56	119516.12	132967.37	9878.33	806082.59
Management Activities									
Budget Claimed in 1 st Year	9844.28	0.00	928.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10772.48
Budget Claimed in 2 nd Year	7447.62	757.00	780.00	310.35	500.00	1184.00	3245.09	500.00	14724.06
Total Claimed from EU	17291.90	757.00	1708.20	310.35	500.00	1184.00	3245.09	500.00	25496.54
All Activities									
Total Claimed 2007	60318.29	57984.43	21190.20	42006.29	60243.91	64314.55	41208.88	0.00	347266.55
Total Claimed 2008	80380.41	70281.58	63511.73	53416.73	54954.65	56385.57	95003.58	10378.33	484312.58
Total Claimed 2007-2008	140698.70	128266.01	84701.93	95423.02	115198.56	120700.12	136212.46	10378.33	831579.13