FEAD mid-term evaluation

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Introduction

Welcome to the European Commission's online public consultation on the mid-term evaluation of the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived.

Please consult the background document as it provides useful information on the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived

We welcome contributions from citizens, social partners, organisations and public authorities, so have your say!

About you

* You are replying

- as an individual in your personal capacity
- in your professional capacity or on behalf of an organisation

* Respondent's first name

* Respondent's last name

* Respondent's email address

The email address will be used only in case a clarification of the responses is required. If you do not have an email address, please write "Not available".

* Name of the organisation

* Postal address of the organisation

* Your contribution,

Note that, whatever option chosen, your answers may be subject to a request for public access to documents under <u>Regulation</u> (EC) N°1049/2001

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* Where are you based / Where is your organisation registered?

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Oprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovak Republic
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Onited Kingdom
- Other

* Type of organisation

Please select the answer option that fits best.

- Local authority
- Regional autohority
- National authority/government body/ministry
- Social enterprise
- Commercial organisation/company
- Workers' organisation/trade union/business associations or federation thereof
- Non-governmental organisations
- Research/academic institution/university
- Pan-European interest group
- Other

If "other", please specify:

* Is your organisation included in the Transparency Register?

If your organisation is not registered, we invite you to register <u>here</u>, although it is not compulsory to be registered to reply to this consultation. Why a transparency register?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

If so, please indicate your Register ID number.

*What is your role in the FEAD?

Please select one option representing your main role.

- Individual receiving FEAD support
- Individual receiving food or material support but not from FEAD
- Organization representing most deprived such as advocacy groups
- Partner organisation delivering FEAD support to individuals
- Managing Authority, Intermediate Body
- Certifying or Audit Authority, coordinating body for EU funds
- Other organisation involved in FEAD such as social partners of a OPII Monitoring Committee
- Organisations engaged in food distribution/material and/or social assistance to the most deprived <u>but</u> <u>not involved in FEAD</u>
- No role in FEAD

What type of FEAD assistance are you involved in?

- food package
- meals
- goods distributed to children
- goods distributed to the homeless
- goods distributed to the other target groups
- accompanying measures
- social inclusion activities

* How familiar are you with FEAD (Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived)?

- I don't know what the FEAD programme is
- I have a general knowledge of FEAD objectives/actions
- I have a detailed knowledge of FEAD objectives/actions

* Which Member State(s) do your answers relate to?

- Entire EU
- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
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- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Portugal
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- Slovak Republic
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- United Kingdom

Main section

Do you think FEAD support is useful to

For a more detailed description of the specific objectives of the fund please see the background document. Select the appropriate option for each response

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Alleviate food deprivation	O	O	O	O	0
Alleviate severe material deprivation	O	O	O	O	0
Contribute to social inclusion of the most deprived persons	0	0	0	0	۲

Could you please explain why?

Do you think FEAD should be used to support

Select the appropriate option for each target group.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Children affected by or at risk of poverty		0			0
Single parents	0	0	0	0	0
Workless households or household with low working intensity*	0	0	0	0	0
Marginalised communities such as Roma	O	0	0	0	0
Migrants	0	0	0	0	0
Homeless people and people at risk of housing exclusion	0		0	0	0
Inhabitants of remote and economically disadvantaged regions	0	0	0	0	0
Persons with disabilities	0	0	0	0	0
Working poor	۲		۲	۲	۲
Older people at risk of poverty or isolation	0	0	0	0	0
Persons suffering from addictions	O	0		0	0
Ex-offenders	0	0	0	0	0

* Households where the adults (aged 18-59) work 20% or less of their total work potential during the past year

Please specify here if FEAD assistance could be useful to other target group(s) than listed above.

2000 character(s) maximum

In your view, are the following types of food and material assistance essential to alleviate the worst forms of poverty?

Select the appropriate option for each type of food and material assistance.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Food packages	۲	0	۲	0	0
Meals	۲	0	۲	۲	0
Layette (baby essentials)	O		O	O	0
School bags, Stationery, exercise books, pens, painting equipment and other equipment required in school (non-clothes), Sports equipment (sport shoes, leotard, swimsuit, etc.)		0			۲
Clothes (winter coat, footwear, school uniform, etc.)	0		0	0	0
Sleeping bags/blankets	۲	0	۲	0	0
Kitchen equipment (pots, pans, cutlery, etc.)	O	O	O	0	0
Household linen (towels, bedclothes)		0			0
Hygiene articles (first aid kit, soap, toothbrush, disposable razor, etc.)	0	0	0	0	0

In your opinion, what other types of food or material assistance in addition to those listed above could be supported by FEAD?

2000 character(s) maximum

In your view, are the following types of accompanying measures essential to alleviate the worst forms of poverty?

For a more detailed description regarding accompanying measures please see the background document. Select the appropriate options for each type of accompanying measures.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Advice on food preparation and storage, cooking workshops, educational activities to promote healthy nutrition, or advice on how to reduce food waste		O			O
Personal cleanliness advice	0	0	0	0	0
Redirection to competent services (e.g. social/administrative)	O	O	O	O	0
Individual coaching and workshops	0	0	0	0	0
Psychological and therapeutic support	0	0	0	0	0
Advice on managing a household budget	0	O	O	O	0

In your opinion, what other types of accompanying measures in addition to those listed above could be supported by FEAD?

2000 character(s) maximum

Are there any obstacles to provide accompanying measures under FEAD?

In your view, are the following types of assistance essential to enhance social inclusion of the most deprived?

For a more detailed description of the social inclusion activities please see the background document. Select the appropriate options for each type of social inclusion activity.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Redirection to competent services (e.g. social/administrative)	0	O	0	0	0
Early education for children of migrants	O	O	O	O	0
Health advice and illness prevention activities including psychological and therapeutic support	©	O	0	©	©
Advice on food preparation and storage, cooking workshops, educational activities to promote healthy nutrition, or advice on how to reduce food waste		O		0	O
Personal cleanliness advice	0	0	0	0	0
Individual coaching and workshops	O	0	O	0	0
Advice on managing a household budget	0	0	0	0	0
Social inclusion activities for older people	0	0	0	O	0
Support for social intigration of migrants	0	0	0	0	0

In your opinion, what other types of social inclusion assistance in addition to those listed above could be supported by FEAD?

2000 character(s) maximum

In your opinion, does FEAD support make a difference to the most deprived in your country?

Select one option

- Yes
- Partially
- No
- Do not know / Not applicable

Could you please explain why?

In your view, are the following types of assistance essential to enhance social inclusion of the most deprived?

For a more detailed description of social inclusion activities please see the background document. Select the appropriate options for each type of social inclusion activity.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Improving access to material assistance and social services, notably of homeless	0	©	0	0	0
Early education for children of migrants	0	0	0	0	0
Social inclusion activities for older people	0	0	0	0	0
Support for social intigration of migrants	0	0	0	0	0
Health advice and illness prevention activities	0	0	0	0	۲

In your opinion, what other types of social inclusion activities in addition to those listed above could be supported by FEAD?

To what extent do you agree that FEAD complements other EU and national, regional, local or private activities?

For a more detailed description of other EU instruments please see the background document. Select the appropriate option for each listed category.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
FEAD complements existing national programmes	0	O	0	0	0
FEAD complements existing regional/local programmes	©	O	O	O	O
FEAD complements the European Social fund (ESF)	O	O	O	O	O
FEAD complements the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF)	O	0	0	O	0
FEAD complements the Emergency Assistance Instrument	O	0	O	O	0
FEAD contributes to activities of non-profit organizations and NGOs supporting most deprived	0	O	0	0	0
FEAD contributes to activities of profit organizations supporting most deprived	0	O	0	0	O

Could you please explain why and provide an example?

Were the following FEAD principles properly implemented when the operational programmes were programmed, implemented, and evaluated?

For a more detailed description of FEAD principles please see the background document. Select the appropriate option for each principle.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Partnership principle	0	0	0	0	0
Equality between men and women	0	0	0	0	0
Non-discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability age or sexual orientation	0	0	0	0	0
Respect for the dignity of the most deprived persons	O	0	0	0	0
Food waste reduction	0	0	0	0	0
Contribution to a balanced diet	0	O	0	0	0

Could you explain why and at which stage (programming, implementation, evaluation)?

Have the activities implemented under FEAD made a difference to the following end recipients?

Select the appropriate options for each target group.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Children affected by or at risk of poverty	0	0	0	0	0
Single parents	0	0	0	0	0
Workless households or household with low working intensity*	O	0	O	O	0
Marginalised communities such as Roma	0	O	0	0	O
Migrants	0	0	0	0	0
Homeless people and people at risk of housing exclusion	O	0	O	0	0
Inhabitants of remote and economically disadvantaged regions	O	O	O	0	0
Persons with disabilities	0	0	0	0	0
Working poor	0		۲	0	0
Older people at risk of poverty or isolation	0	0	0	0	0
Persons suffering from addictions	0	0	0	0	0
Ex-offenders	0	0	0	0	0

* Households where the adults (aged 18-59) work 20% or less of their total work potential during the past year

Please specify here if FEAD assistance made a difference to other target group(s) than those listed above.

2000 character(s) maximum

Did you fund the collection, transport, storage and distribution of food donations through FEAD?

Select one option

- Yes
- No
- Do not know / Not applicable

Could you give an example of such funding of food donations?

2000 character(s) maximum

Could you give reasons that prevented funding of donations?

2000 character(s) maximum

Which of following distribution channels are used or planned in your case?

Select the appropriate options for each type of distribution channel:

	Yes	No	Do not know / Not applicable
State/municipal institutions (social workers)	0	0	0
NGOs at national/regional/local level	0	0	0
Pan European institutions such as Red cross	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0

If "other", please specify:

The delivery of FEAD assistance was organized appropriately regarding

Select the appropriate options for each area.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Types of support provided	0	0	0	0	0
Suitability of the contents of assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Quantity of assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Frequency of assistance	O	O	O	O	0
Regional coverage of distribution centres	0	O	0	0	0
Quality of assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Reaching target groups	0	0	0	0	0

Could you please explain why?

Could you provide an example of good practice in the FEAD implementation? Please explain in what respect do you consider this as a good practice.

2000 character(s) maximum

In your opinion, is FEAD support responsive in addressing new/emerging needs?

Select one option

- I strongly agree
- I agree
- I disagree
- I strongly disagree
- Do not know / Not applicable

Could you please explain why?

Do you consider that FEAD support is cost-effective (results are commensurate with the resources used)?

Select the appropriate option for each FEAD activity.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Food support	0	0	0	0	0
Material assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Accompanying measures	0	0	۲	0	۲
Social inclusion activities	0	0	۲	۲	0

In your opinion, the administrative requirements to manage the FEAD projects and programmes are

Select the appropriate option for each domain.

	Too light	Appropriate	Excessive	Do not know / Not applicable
Design of Operational programmes	0	0	0	0
Designation of authorities	0	0	0	0
Set-up of management control system	0	0	0	0
Selection of projects/partner organisations	0	0	0	0
Scope of flat rate expenditures	0	0	0	0
Eligibility rules	0	0	0	0
Direct delivery requirement	0	0	0	0
Procurement procedure	0	0	0	0
Obligation to offer accompanying measures	O	0	0	0
Reporting requirements	0	0	0	0
Communication/publicity requirements	O	0	0	0
Audit requirements	0	0	0	0
Evaluation requirements	0	0	۲	0
Requirement to carry out structured survey of end recipients for OP I	O	O	0	O

Could you please provide examples of gold plating* or any other cases of excessive administrative burden?

2000 character(s) maximum

*Gold-plating is an expression which refers to Member States going beyond what is strictly required by EU legislation when they implement it at national level. This may enhance the benefits but can also add unnecessary costs for businesses and public authorities which are mistakenly associated with EU legislation.

Could you please propose any potential simplifications?

In your opinion, what effects would cessation of FEAD support have?

Scale where "10" means critical effect with non-reversible impact, while "0" means – no negative effect or impact.

Select the appropriate option for each case.

	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	Do not know / Not applicable
Types and volumes of assistance	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coverage of target groups	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O
Impact on National, Regional or local authorities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Impact on other donors					0						0	0
Impact on established networks such as food banks		0	۲		0	۲			۲	۲	۲	0

What prevented your participation in FEAD?

Select the appropriate options for each domain.

	Yes	No	Do not know / Not applicable
Lack of information	0	۲	0
Selection process of projects/partner organisations	0	O	0
Scope of flat rate expenditures	0	0	0
Eligibility rules	0	0	0
Direct delivery requirement	0	۲	0
Procurement procedures	0	۲	0
Obligation to offer accompanying measures	0	۲	0
Reporting requirements	۲	۲	0
Communication/publicity rules	۲	۲	0
Audit requirements	0	۲	0

If there was other factors that prevented you from participating in FEAD, please specify here:

2000 character(s) maximum

What would encourage you to participate in FEAD?

Do you consider participating in FEAD operations in the future?

Select one option

- I strongly agree
- Very like
- C Likely
- Output Unlikely
- Very unlikely
- Do not know / Not applicable

To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

Select the appropriate option for each statement.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
FEAD support is needed to expand types and volumes of the assistance delivered	O	O	©	0	0
FEAD support helps to expand assistance to the groups that otherwise would not receive it	©	O	©	©	0
FEAD support established new delivery modes that served as example for others	0	0	0	0	0

In your opinion, does FEAD contribute to?

Select the appropriate options for each statement.

	l strongly agree	l agree	l disagree	l strongly disagree	Do not know / Not applicable
Raising awareness on food and material deprivation	0	0	0	0	۲
Creating partnerships among stakeholders	0	O	0	0	0
Engaging new organisations to work with most deprived	O	0	O	O	0
Testing and implementing new activities (such as setting up food banks or support for distribution channels)		0	0	0	0
Strengthening the social cohesion	0	0	0	0	0
Mutual learning, networking and dissemination of good practices in the area of non-financial assistance to the most deprived persons	0	0	0	0	0

If FEAD contributes to other domain than listed above, please specify here:

If you were to start with FEAD now, what would you do differently?

2000 character(s) maximum

Final comments

If you wish to add further comments on support to the most deprived, please do so here.