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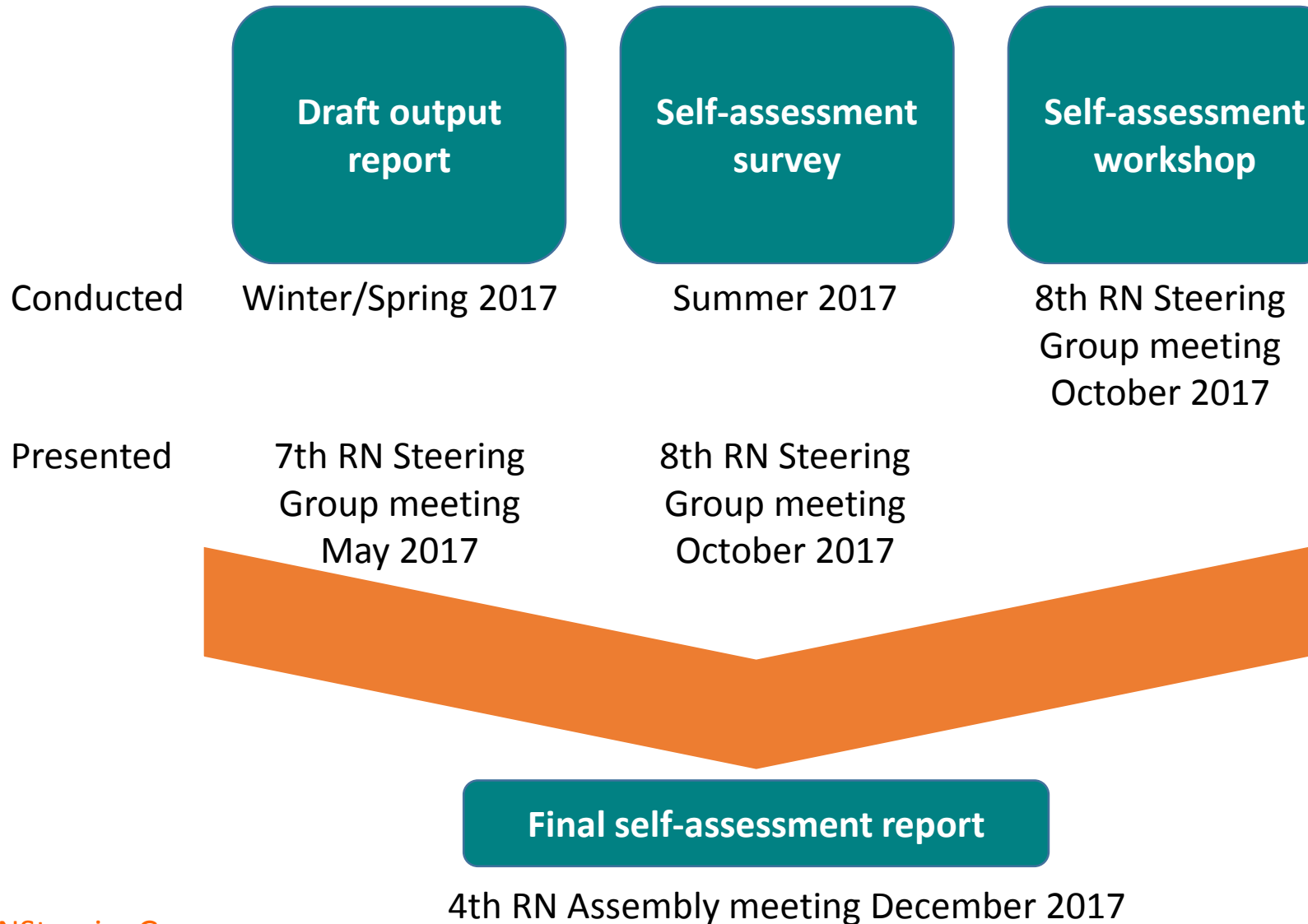
Rural Networks self-assessment draft output report and self-assessment questionnaire

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RN self-assessment elements





Draft output report

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Scope

- Outputs linked to the Strategic Framework of the EU Rural Networks
- Contains data from 2014 to end of calendar year 2016
- Will be updated in early autumn 2017 to include Q1 & Q2 2017 data

Purpose

- Provides the broad picture on the activities carried out by the networks
- First part of the final self-assessment report

Based on

- Discussions with the support units
- Background documents (Annual Work Plans, websites)
- Data collection
 - Annual Reports
 - Collection of output data by the support units



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Structure of the report

1. Enhance participation
 - Increase involvement of stakeholders
 - Establish a dialogue between farmers and research community
 - Facilitate the inclusion of all stakeholders in the knowledge exchange process

2. Improve policy quality
 - Facilitate the exchange of expertise and good practice
 - Improve quality of RDP
 - Support the evaluation of RDPs

3. Increase awareness
 - Play a role in informing the broader public on the benefits of rural development policy



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Type of information contained in the report

- Number, type and topics of events organised
 - Conferences, seminars, workshops, capacity-building events, Focus Group meetings, Thematic Group meetings
- Number of participants in the events
- Number, type and topic of publications
 - Magazines, brochures, reports, guidelines, factsheets, working papers
- Number and type of communication actions
 - Newsletters, tweets, Facebook posts
- Number of newsletter recipients
- Number and type of online tools



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Key figures

Main Events

ENRD Workshops & conferences	18
ENRD NRN meetings	6
ENRD TWG meetings	15
ENRD Thematic seminars	4
ENRD Evaluation capacity-building events	63
EIP Innovation workshops & seminars	19
EIP Focus Groups	23

Number

Main Publications

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ENRD Newsletters	28
ENRD Magazines	5
ENRD Thematic publications	5
ENRD Project brochures	5
Evaluation Working Documents	2
Evaluation Guidelines	2
EIP Reports	26
EIP Brochures	10
EIP Factsheets	19

The ENRD & EIP-AGRI
events had a total of
6 595 participants

The total number of newsletter subscribers was
15 874, out of which
ENRD 6 124
ENRD Evaluation 3 113
EIP-AGRI 6 637





Self-assessment survey

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Self-assessment survey

Purpose

- To collect key stakeholder views on
 - fulfilment of the objectives of the Strategic Framework of the EU Rural Networks
 - experiences with Rural Networks' outputs
 - ideas for improvement of the Rural Networks' work
- Results will be summarised as the 2nd part of the final self-assessment report and presented to the SG to inspire the self-assessment workshop discussions

Method

- Electronic survey based on a tailor-made questionnaire
- 21 questions on scale 1 – 5 (strongly agree – strongly disagree) & free text field

Respondents

- RN Assembly, Leader sub-group, Sub-group on innovation for agricultural productivity and sustainability, Expert Group on Monitoring and Evaluating the CAP (Grexe)



Self-assessment questionnaire

Structure of the questionnaire

Strategic framework and EU Rural Networks	<p>Familiarity with the strategic framework</p> <p>Familiarity with the EU Rural Networks and support units</p> <p>Relevance of EU Rural Networks' work</p>
<i>General objective 1</i> Enhance participation	<p>Perceived objective fulfilment</p> <p>Utilisation of good practices</p> <p>EIP-AGRI work</p>
<i>General objective 2</i> Improve policy quality	<p>Perceived objective fulfilment</p> <p>Supporting evaluation of RDPs</p> <p>Effect of EU Rural Networks' outputs and information</p>
<i>General objective 3</i> Increase awareness	<p>Perceived objective fulfilment</p> <p>Informative nature and quality of websites and publications</p> <p>Use of EU Rural Networks' outputs and information</p>
Participation in EU Rural Networks	<p>Participation in EU Rural Networks' events</p> <p>Benefits of participating in EU Rural Networks' activities</p>

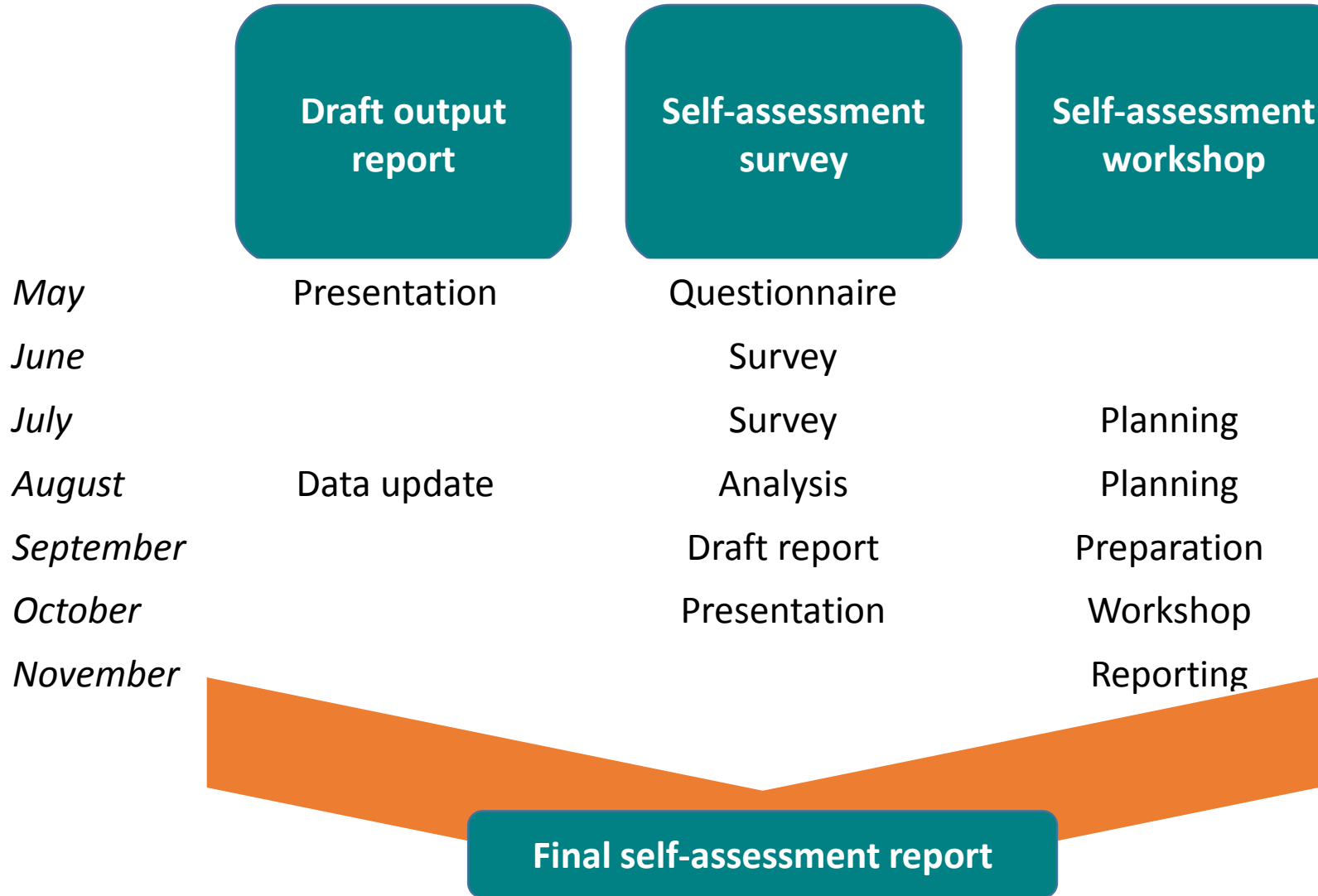




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4th RN Assembly meeting December 2017

