



EU 2020 Strategy in Poland

Three processes with different institutional structures and mixed results

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National Reform Programme – The Past

	NRP	Main characteristics
	NRP 2011	 Consultation without any institutional structure Joint statement signed by 7 ngos (incl. EAPN PL) No response and no effect at all
	NRP 2012/2013	 Institutional structure was established - Interministerial Group for Strategy Europe 2020 with partners and ngos representation (incl. EAPN PL) Two ngos submitted detailed proposals and amendments No response and no effect at all
	NRP 2013/2014	 Two ngos submitted detailed amendments Some were accepted, but majority was rejected First time we got official response with reasons why our proposals were not included Still very little impact on content





National Reform Programme – The Present

- One of the ngo members of Interministerial Group sent an official letter with one question on the role of social and economic partners in that group – only consultative or participative?
- In response coordinating ministry answered that Group works in two phases: 1) participatory, 2) consultative
- Coordinating ministry proposed new procedure in participatory phase – partners first propose themes and recommendations for NRP and ministries respond to partners' input
- Partners accepted that and proposed six themes and recommendations to three of them (more on the way)



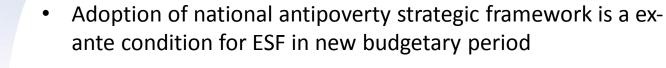


National Reform Programme – Summary

- From being outside of the process => being inside it as a one of the partners in Interministerial Group
- From being totally ignored => being heard and recognized as deserving official response and having active role in the process
- From having no effect on the content at all => having some effect on the content
- From having no influence on the process => having some impact on the process
- The future is uncertain: 1) risk of not achieving consensus between partners; 2) risk of not enough expertise for specific and realistic recommendations



National Antipoverty Programme – The Role of Ex-Ante Condition



- EAPN PL in its amendments to NRP 2012/2013 proposed preparation of National Antipoverty Programme as an new task
- That task was not included until the next update (April 2013) but the process started from January 2013
- There were no institutional structure at all, informal coordinator only (EAPN PL member)
- After designing structure of the document (goals and priorities) several ministries and ngos sent their input
- Working version was presented for official consultation



Social Inclusion and Antipoverty Goal in the next ESF Period



- Government set up Interministerial Group (without partners and ngos as a members) for coordinating work in the process of designing Partnership Agreement and Operational Programs
- Federation of Polish Ngos with several other federations and ngos (incl. EAPN PL) established Permanent Conference with a goal of improving ngos position in the next EU budgetary period (started in 2012 with document consisting 12 demands)
- For each OP Interministerial Group established working groups with a ngos as members
- We were member of the working group responsible for OP with a social inclusion and antipoverty goal



What Progress on Participation?



- National Reform Program testing new institutional structure for participation, some successes but very limited results so far
- National Antipoverty Programme process without institutional structure, informal coordination by EAPN PL member, very extensive participation, huge impact on content but unclear future after open consultation
- New Operational Programme with antipoverty goal institutional structure designed for participation (working groups) and strong ngos mobilization (Permanent Conference), some promising results so far
- Participation of social ngos visible, but participation of people experiencing poverty and social exclusion very limited and only indirect (by some EAPN PL members)



What Progress on Poverty?

