



RESULTS OF THE EVALUATION OF THE ROMA PLATFORM 2022 – 2023 PROJECT

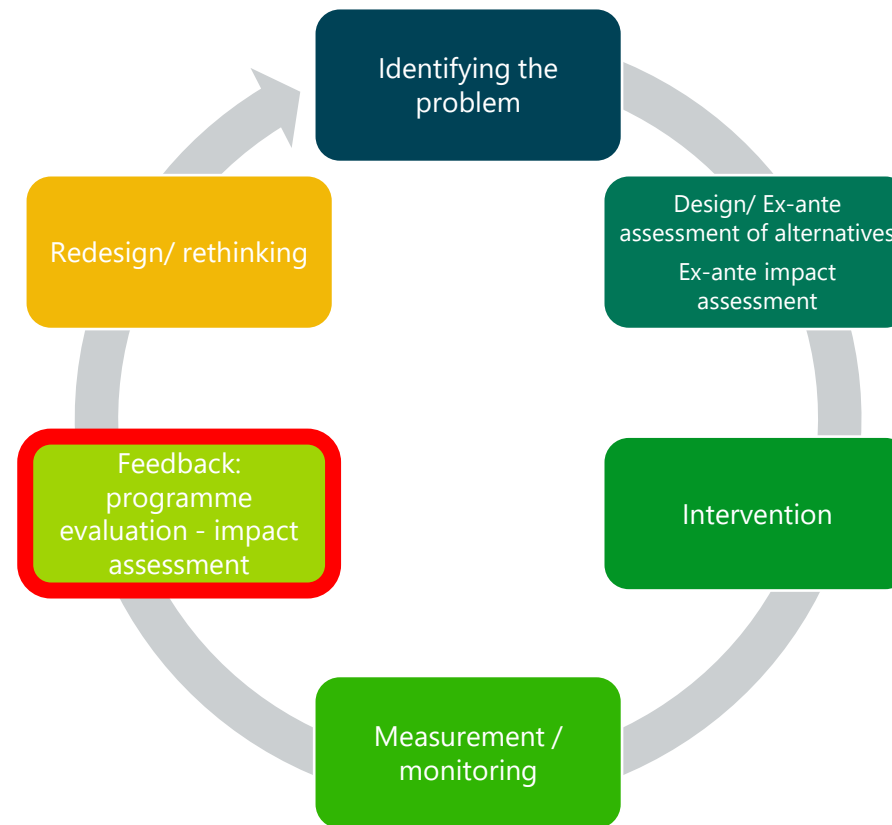
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What is evaluation?

- The systematic and objective assessment of a programme
 - Its design, implementation and results
- It is concerned with what the intervention has contributed, what it will contribute to the desired change (and how)
- It uses different methods to answer the evaluation questions



National Social Inclusion Strategy

The National Social Inclusion Strategy 2030 is a complex initiative aimed at reducing the risk of social exclusion and promoting social inclusion.

9 dimensions:

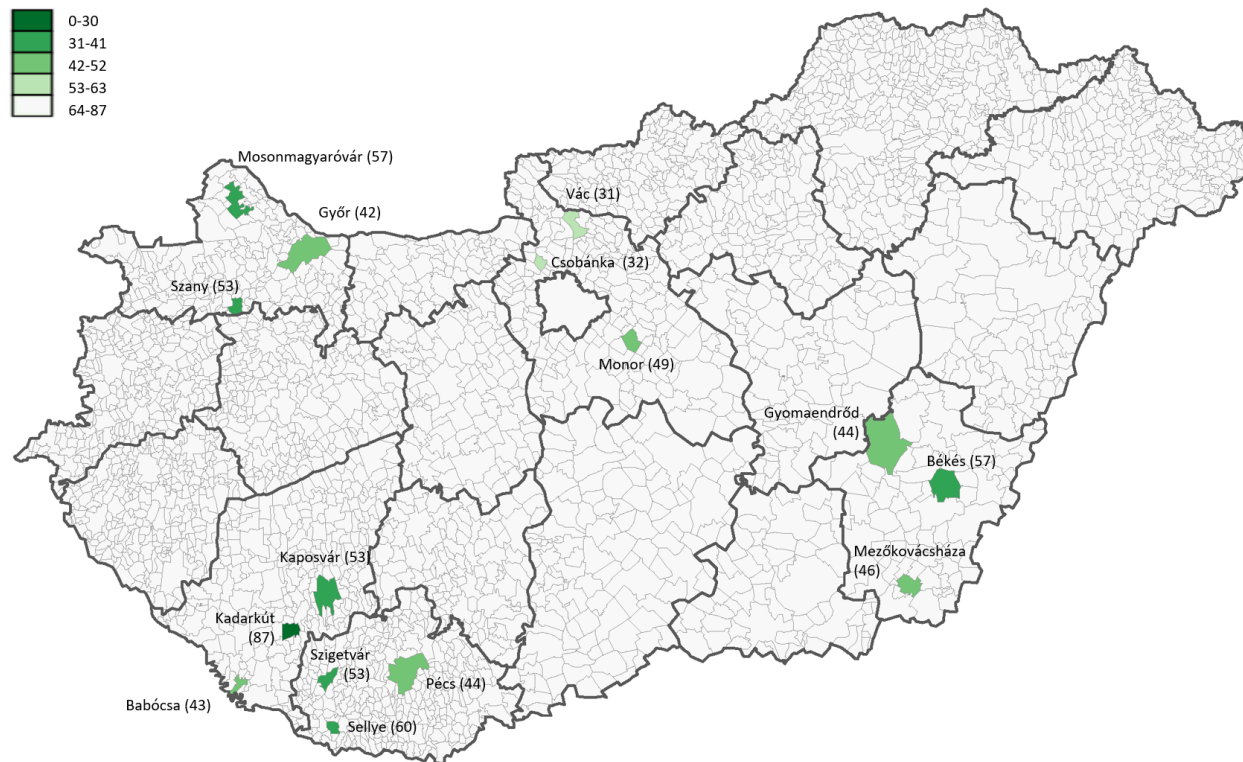
- *Birth and childhood*
- *Public education, vocational training, higher education - from kindergarten to university*
- *Youth affairs, having children, starting a family, lifestyle*
- *Employment, work, adult education, social economy*
- *Spatial disparities, urban development – housing and energy poverty – environmental awareness*
- *Physical and mental health, health care*
- *Roma identity, community building, awareness-raising, empowerment*
- *Institutional framework for the implementation of the Strategy, national and Carpathian Basin partnership*
- *Monitoring and follow-up of the Strategy*



Roma Platform 2022-2023

Aim of the Roma Platform:

Promote the active involvement of Roma people in decision-making, implementation and monitoring processes at national, regional, local and EU levels.



Topic of the events

Education

Culture

The role of civil and
church organisations in
social inclusion

Employment and
trainings

Local programmes



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Roma Platform 2022-2023 – structure of the events

Greetings

Information about calls and related programmes

Coffee break

Roundtable discussions

Lunch break

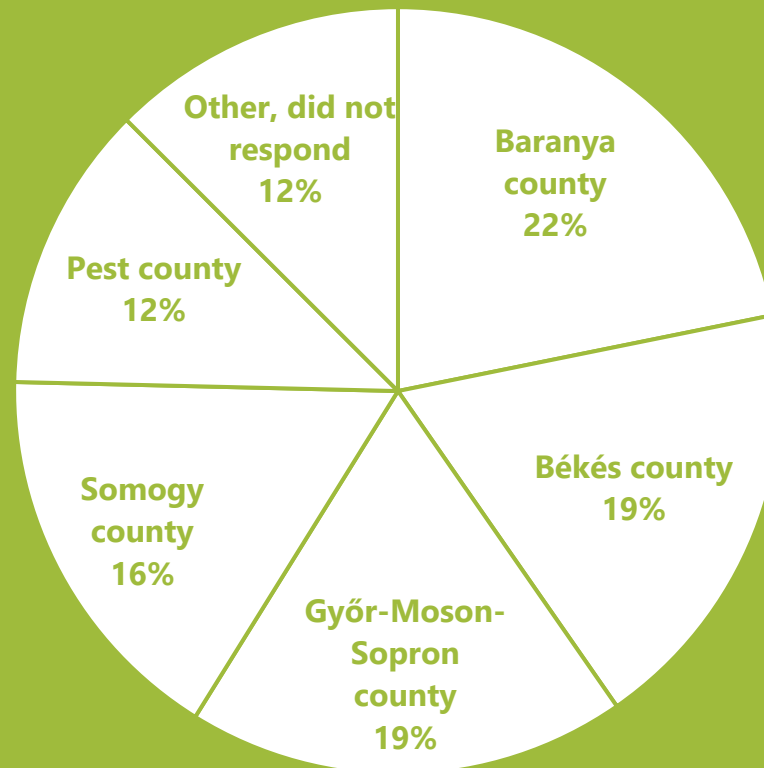


Methodology of the evaluation, respondents

Survey

1. 248 respondents
2. 20% of respondents are of Roma origin
3. Most respondents are aged 41-50

RESIDENCY OF RESPONDENTS



Methodology of the evaluation, respondents

Interviews

1. 19 respondents (interviews conducted face-to-face or via phone)
2. All respondents were either Roma or work with Roma people
3. Most respondents were social workers or work in social inclusion
4. Nearly half of respondents do professional work locally – 30% of respondents had national scope of activity



Results I.

Policy impact of the events

Goals

- Shaping the policy discourse
- with heterogeneous actors
- Sharing best practices and taking them to the ministerial level

Implementation

- Policy briefings
- Composition of invited guests (regional affiliation)
- Practical presentations (mostly roundtable discussions)

Feedback

- Effective: information on funding → helps planning
- 27% of respondents think more of such sessions are needed → professional – practical
- 72% professional quality
- Other consultation forums → small overlap



Results II.

Cooperation and discussion

Goals

- Facilitating cooperation
- Establishing dialogue

Implementation

- Coffee breaks
- Space and time for comments

Feedback

- Respondents' background (typically high networking capital, regional ties)
- Strengthening cooperation between professionals
- Reaching ministry, local decision-makers
- 65% (new contact), 15% (contact exchange)



Results III.

Popularity of the events

1. 84% of respondents left the event satisfied → *"consistent and professional"*
2. 86% of respondents would attend a similar event
3. 16% of respondents have attended twice and 14% have attended more than twice
4. In general, survey respondents were more satisfied; interviewees made more suggestions for improvements.



Recommendations

Digital and interactive tools

- Online event streaming
- Pre-collection of questions for participants through an online system
- A regular newsletter reporting on the integration of the proposals made at the events

Content innovation

- Practical approaches
- Cooperation with forums with a similar profile
- Longer breaks for networking

Community involvement and territorial focus

- More active involvement of local decision-makers in the event
- Survey of the challenges in the area





Thank you!

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