





Rotterdam Partner Meeting February 2013

Pilot Reporting







Claim Period 3: 01.10.12-31.03.13

Pilot: Temporary use of agricultural land taken out of production for road construction (the A11) in an harbour area

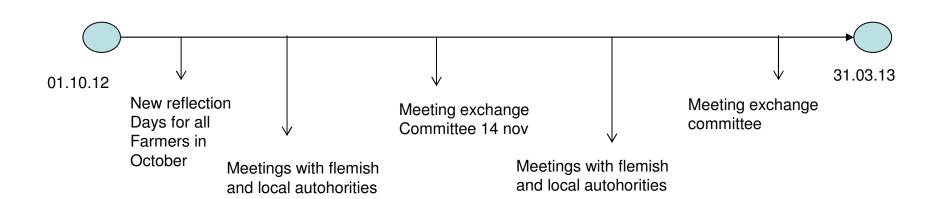








Timeline:









People and Partnerships

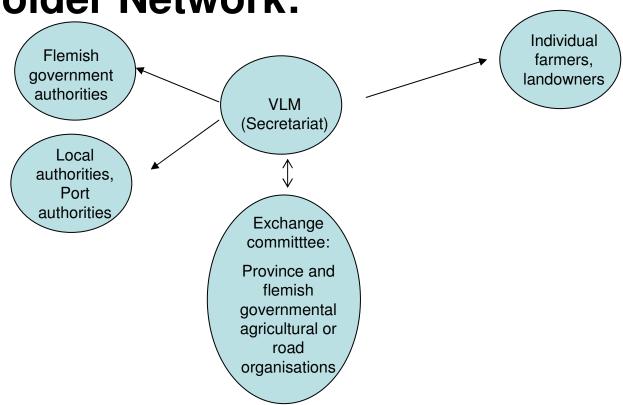








Stakeholder Network:









Engagement:

- We organised meetings with the exchange committee (= farmers, landowners, province, Flemish government authorities, VLM).
- We organised meetings with the local authorities.
- We organised reflection days, so all farmers (and some important landowners) could make their wishes clear (individual). This was very successful. The involvement of the users in the plan-making phase is growing. People become very interested. Owners sometimes feel excluded from the process.







Engagement:











Paradigms and Policy







Policy:

We are testing out new legislation, new tools and instruments of land banking and land use exchange. 'Temporary use' is sometimes difficult to explain, especially to landowners (landownership doesn't change). Temporary, landowners will receive other farmers on their land.







Practice and Finance







Finance:

All funds will come from the Flemisch administration responsible for roads and traffic. These funds will be necessary in the construction phase (2014 - ...).







Practice:

On-the-ground progress: Works will start in 2014.













Practice:

Pilot development: The road constructor has to deal with archeological sites. There are no problems with contamination in a rural area.









Practice:

Future plans: a real land consolidation project will follow in 2018 (after the construction phase of the road)









SEEDS Partner Involvement







How have you involved your SEEDS partners? Not yet so far.

What support, help or information do you need from your SEEDS partners?

- How can we involve the owners?
 - owners live very far from the area
 - owners are sometimes speaking another languages
 - owners have no connection anymore with the area (inheritance)
- How do we organise the public enquiry in October 2013?







Lessons Learnt:

To soon to tell, we are still testing out.

Evaluation:

The public enquiry in October 2013 will be for us an evaluation moment.







The Next Claim







What Happens Next:

- Finding the most socially accepted temporary solutions together with farmers, landowners, government,..., which guarantees economic viability of the involved agricultural enterprises and for the road constructor, the possibility of a quicker realization of the new highway 'the A11'.
- Therefore 2 kinds of plans are in preparation: a plan with the temporary use of the agricultural land and a plan with all the temporary (physical) measures. These plans are necessary for place-making during the construction phase of the road (2013 – 2018).
- In the next period the plan-making phase will be finished.