



**FFG**

# **Extrapolation: Suggestions for improvements**

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# Extrapolation FFG: Timeline



**=>** 9th January 2009  
COM Extrapolation Letter

**=>** 1 Month for 56 projects

**=>** Extension time limit  
for revised Form C

**=>** 23rd June 2009  
Deadline for revised Form C

## ...some figures...



- 56 projects
- ~ 120 periods recalculated
- ~ 400 hourly rates recalculated
- ~ 25 meetings (~ 80 hours) audit core team
- up to 4 auditors

# Suggestions for internal actions



- Task force (Legal department / accounting department / auditor)
- „Jour fixe“ group (project staff)
- Implementation of internal process  
FFG: project manager (recalculation Form C)  
=> auditor (check)  
=> accounting department (signing)  
=> revised Form C to EC Commission

# Suggestions for improvements



**Realistic deadlines**

depending on number of revised projects

**Central contact person per DG**

for beneficiaries  
questions relating  
extrapolation (e.g. audits  
for revised Form C?)

# Suggestions for improvements



**Better COM-internal communication about audit and extrapolation details**

contact persons of „extrapolation letter“ are not the performing persons (executing revised form C)

**COM: „inter-DG“ coordination unit**

Prevention of different procedures by different DGs / Directorates

## Further evidence



- ✓ Ongoing projects: POs not able to „use“ revised Form C => they have to do „adjustments“ (determined by system)
- ✓ Sometimes original and revised Form C mixed up

## Summary



- Better communication between EC-Commission and beneficiary
- Better communication between DGs/Directorates
- Legal binding enquiry unit for questions concerning audit results
- Communication Simplification Extrapolation: Commission is on the right track...



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