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DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF NEW METHODOLOGICAL FRAMEWORKS FOR THE EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES IN THE EU

PROJECT UPDATE AND WORKSHOP INTRODUCTION

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From Rome to Budapest – brief update on the last ENVIEVAL year



Objectives of the workshop

Project update – Key issues from Rome

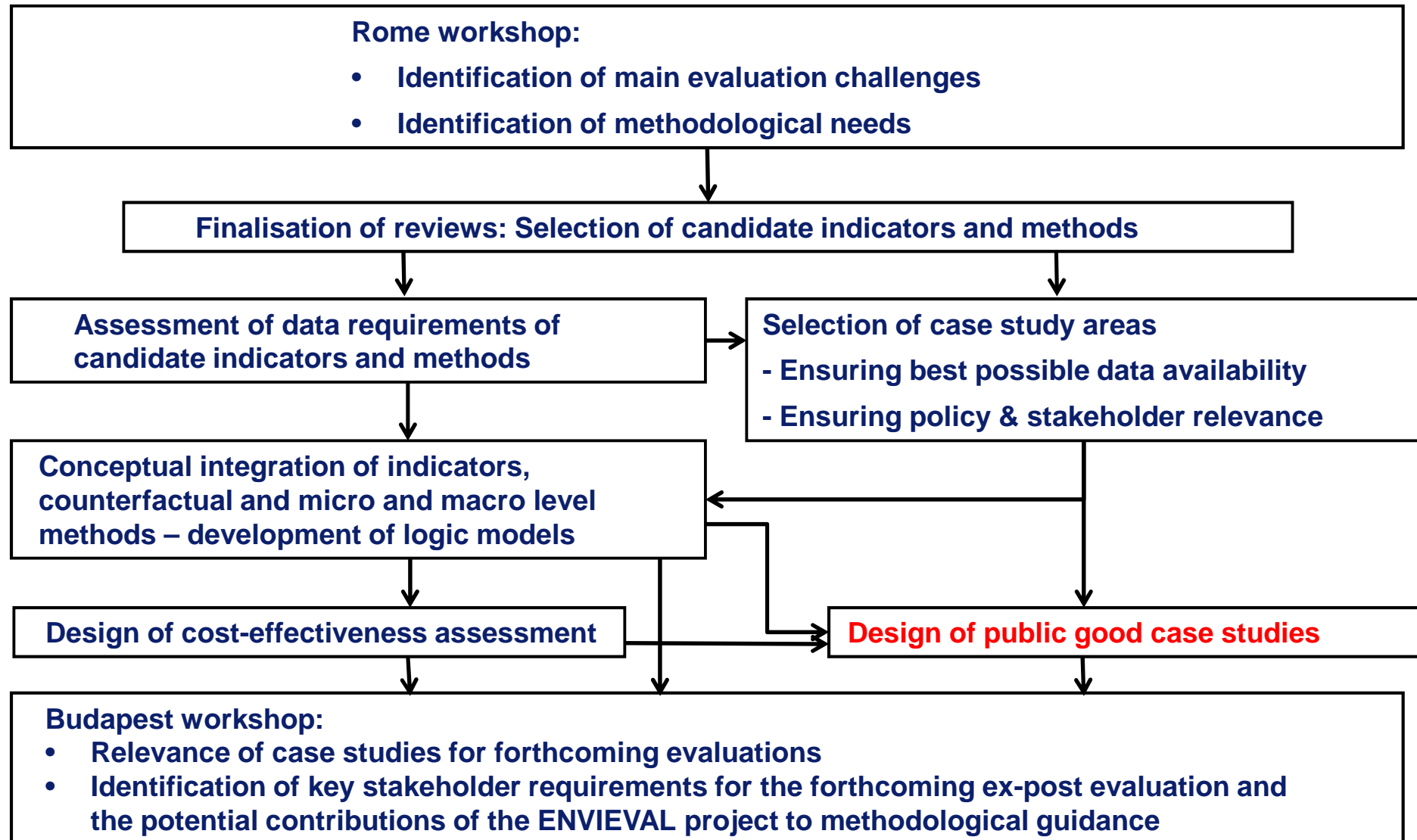
Some key issues from our discussion of stakeholder requirements a year ago:

- **More emphasis needed on establishing causal linkages between indicators and measures / programme**
- **Need for innovative approaches to define comparison groups in counterfactuals**
- **Stronger focus on case study approaches**
 - **better understanding of causalities and drivers of RDP impacts**
 - **useful insights into specific regional impacts of RD measures and programs**
 - **ENVIEVAL could deliver methods for case study applications in evaluations**

Project update – Some key issues from Rome

- **Impact assessment at micro level needs to provide the learning and evidence base for macro level assessments**
- **Methods are needed which can contribute to measuring net-impacts and attribute changes in indicators to measures and programmes**
- **ENVIEVAL should provide the scientific basis for:**
 - **Informing the selection of observations (type and scale)**
 - **Selection of methods best suited to:**
 - **the requirements of the reporting**
 - **available data**
 - **different aspirations and capacities in Member States**

Project update – the last year since Rome



Workshop objectives

- **To review the applicability of logic models for the selection of evaluation methods**
 - **Would a logic model or decision tree to select suitable evaluation methods - or to validate the selection of methods - be useful for you?**

- **To review the stakeholder relevance of the cost-effectiveness assessment**
 - **Do cost-effectiveness aspects play a role in your evaluation choices?**
 - **Do you think such an assessment is feasible?**

Workshop objectives

- **To discuss the practical relevance of the case studies in the context of the forthcoming ex-post evaluations and future evaluation tasks in the period 2014 – 2020**
 - **Do you think the current design of the case studies can deliver useful results for the selection of indicators and methods for ex-post evaluations ?**

- **To identify key stakeholder requirements for the forthcoming ex-post evaluation and the potential contributions of the ENVIEVAL project to methodological guidance**
 - **What are the most pressing requirements and needs for the ex-post evaluation?**
 - **What contribution and methodological guidance do you think the ENVIEVAL project could provide?**