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WP9

Methodological aspects and comments

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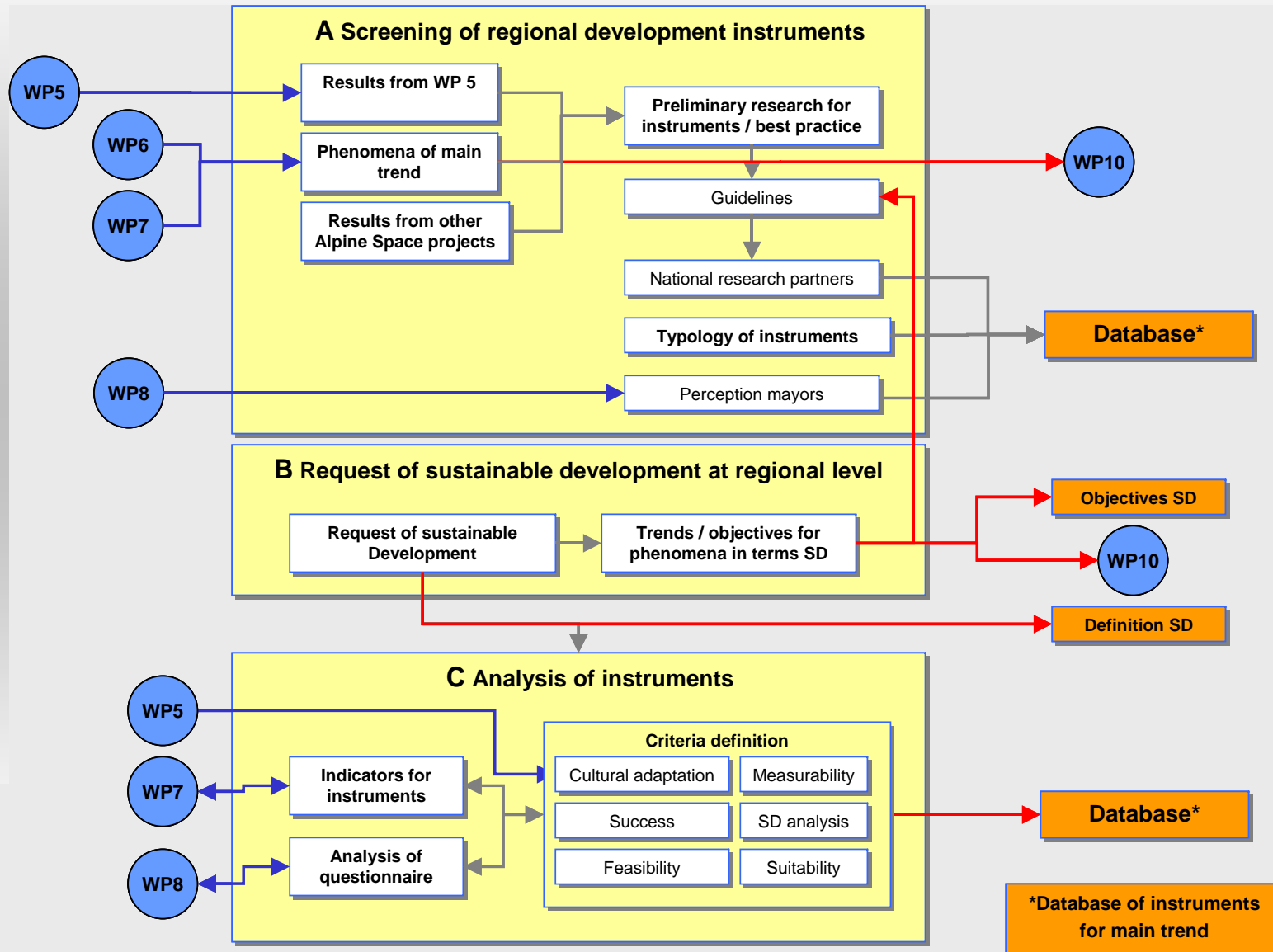


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Comments on the proposed methodology





Research for instruments

Research for instruments

1. No concentration of research for instruments on phenomena but concentration on subtypes of the main trend (UT, KS)
2. Specific phenomena for the main trend (subtype) have to be selected (VB)
3. Further indicators needed to describe instruments (KS)
4. Two possible approaches to identify instruments: objective oriented and effect oriented:
Favour of objective oriented approach, based on objectives for sustainable development of SMESTOs, the according instruments and their possible effects (VB)

1. Subtypes do not identify clear effects nor objectives
2. We propose to start from identified phenomena (WP7) but select those which are represent important aspects and promise good data availability
3. Yes
4. Yes





Typology / Perception of Instruments at local level

Typology

- Use and interest of descriptive typologies for DIAMONT ?
Is there a better usability of a analytic typology based on the analytic criteria ? (VB)

Perception of instruments at local level

- Mayors appreciation as a central feature in the instruments analysis (VB)

- Good proposal but not predictable how far we will get with such an analytic typology
- Mayors appreciation (and wishes) should be also accompanied by other (scientific) criteria

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Sustainable development at regional level

1. Heterogeneity of SD interpretation within and between countries – “risk” of being normative (VB)
2. Different perceptions by stakeholders in test regions have to be considered (UT)
3. SD interpretation should concentrate on subtypes (KS, UT)

1. Yes there will be heterogeneity, but we will not avoid being normative, but transparent
2. Using our perception of SD as starting point, we of course may consider regional perceptions
3. Yes we will have to interpret this in the chosen context after this is defined

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Trends and objectives of selected phenomena

1. Changes of phenomena will be difficult to interpret due to scale of change, local contexts, etc. ; (VB)
 2. Relation of objectives and phenomena might be difficult;
verse vice approach suggested: relation of objectives and instruments to phenomena (VB)
 3. Term “Objectives based on scientific rationale” – source for these objectives / objectives as political decision (KS)
1. True difficulty, but trend direction or thresholds need to be discussed
 2. Also true ! But Diamont has started as such from the phenomena and effects;
risk of instrument oriented approach: existing instruments but not main problems considered;
 3. Objectives in this context mean the from a scientific point of view which might be different as from a political one;

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Analysis of instruments

1. “success criteria”: also strengths and weakness of instruments ? Contact with instrument users ? (VB)
 2. SD analysis: difference to success criteria (KS)
 3. Can indicators be used from WP7 for efficiency assessment of instruments (VB, KS)
 4. Cross-analysis of instruments according to e.g. sufficiency of instruments, full implementation, effectiveness, counter-effects
1. Yes SWOT-Analysis may be an approach; another questionnaire not foreseen, eventually in WP10/11 ?
 2. From our perspective not the same: successful instruments are not always complying with SD (“harmful subsidies”)
 3. Depends on trend, subtype; difference of indication of
- instruments (e.g. types, implementation, etc.) and
- effects of instruments on phenomena;
efficiency probably too ambitious;
 4. Good inspiration – we will try

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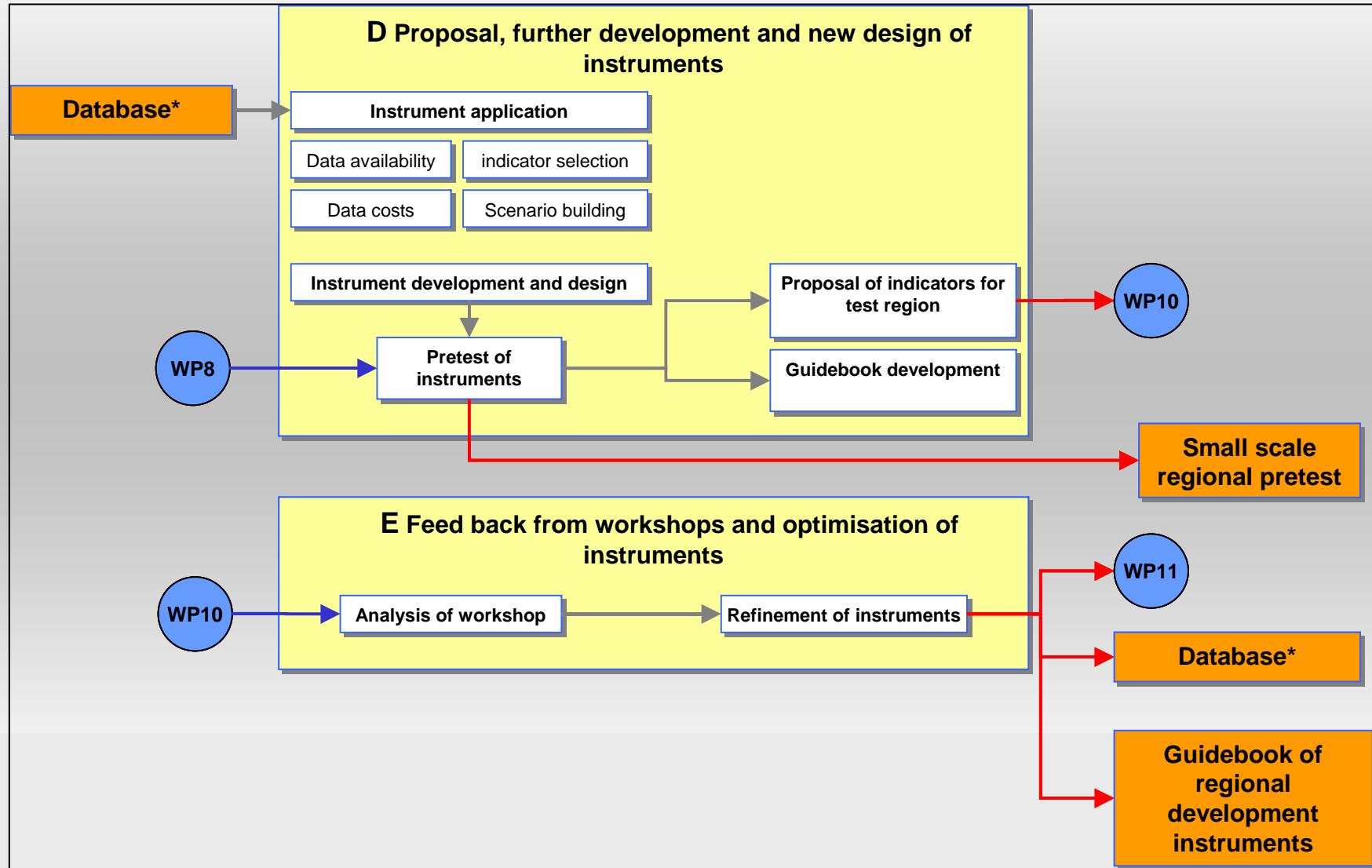
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Methodology part II





Instrument application / Pretest

1. Simple scenarios feasible – use of Alpine Space prospective study ? (VB)
 2. Use of additional data in test regions (VB, KS)
 3. What is the pretest (VB, KS)
1. Scenario development depends on objectives in WP10/11 ? Makes WP10/11 more interesting for stake holders ...
 2. Depends WP10/11; the option of specific data collection in single regions would enlarge Diamont's possibilities;
 3. Small scale application of work of WP10 in a pre-study to ensure the feasibility of the approach;

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Outlook on some brief presentations

- Definition of instruments
- Typology and examples of Instruments
- Some aspects from ESPON project 1.4.1
- What is sustainable regional development ?

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