

SPADE

Collaborative Planning of Infrastructure and Spatial Development

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Projektbeschreibung

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The question of CEDR to prepare an assessment method for the added value is a challenging one. There are several influencing factors that make the topic complex, such as spatial level, numerous stakeholders with a different pace in their planning, different types of policy measures, and different amounts of information.

An assessment method that combines all aspects mentioned, currently does not exist. Although the challenges are complex and might require a complex assessment method, we think on the contrary that the National Road Administrations (NRAs) would benefit from a simple and fast method. Therefore, we will work out a practical and efficient method that is based upon existing knowledge and is robust in its answers towards finding optimal transport projects, policy measures or policy packages.

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The assessment method will be used at different stages in the collaborative planning process. At the beginning of the

process, when the amount of data and information is limited, the method works mainly with the MCA. Along the process, when more information becomes available, it is possible to add CBA information.

The digital workshop that includes the use of the assessment tool ensures a fast, cost-efficient and simple way to assess different policy measures. In the time span of one day, a first insight can be retrieved in quality of the policy measures, infrastructure projects or spatial developments. The combination is an important innovation that improves the assessment. The digital workshop in combination with the assessment tool is part of the integrated assessment method. A major benefit for the NRAs is that the method will stimulate discussions and exchange of information between different stakeholders at different spatial levels, both at the side of infrastructure providers and infrastructure users.

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