



# WP3 Evaluation of RARHA JA



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To verify if RARHA is being implemented as planned and reaches the objectives:

- a. following the progress of the JA**, including the assessment of the adequacy and appropriateness of dissemination activities, taking into account pre-defined milestones and process indicators in order **to provide feedback** on aspects that hinder or advance implementation, identifying also unexpected developments;
- b. assessing the achievements and their quality** against appropriate **process, output and outcome indicators**, taking into account the general and specific objectives and the expected deliverables.

The WP involves all the **32 Associated Partners**

Internal (point **a.**) and external (point **b.**) evaluation are led and overseen by **ISS**, supported by an **Evaluation Steering Group**

Part of the evaluation process is subcontracted to an **independent evaluator**



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# Milestones & Deliverables

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| Year | Month | Deliverable/Milestone number | Description   |
|------|-------|------------------------------|---|
| 2014 | Mar   | Milestone1                   | <b>Evaluation Steering Group creation</b>   |
|      | Jun   | Milestone2                   | Specifications, call for tender <b>subcontracting external evaluation</b>   |
|      | Jul   | Deliverable5                 | Detailed <b>evaluation plan</b> for and external evaluation   |
| 2015 | Jan   | Milestone3                   | <b>1<sup>st</sup> internal evaluation report</b>  |
| 2016 | Feb   | Milestone4                   | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> internal evaluation report</b><br><b>1<sup>st</sup> external evaluation report</b>                          |
|      | Nov   | Deliverable6                 | <b>Final evaluation report</b> to summarise the overall evaluation of RARHA JA  |
|      | Nov   | Milestone5                   | <b>Publication of overall evaluation report</b> combining conclusions from the final internal and external evaluation reports |
|      |       |                              |   |

ESG composed of the CNAPA representatives of **Belgium, Croatia, Estonia, Hungary, Italy**

**ESADE Business School**, Ramon Llull University (Barcelona, Spain)

**Deliverable 5** (available at RARHA website) submitted to CHAFEA after preliminary approval of ISS and ESG

**3 interim reports** submitted to CHAFEA and available at RARHA website

**Feedback to partners on the evaluation of the JA implementation process** in 2 Management Group Meetings in Brussels (April 2015) and Helsinki (February 2016)

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The instruments used for RARHA internal and external evaluation are mixed. They can be summarized in two broad categories:

## Quantitative methods

- S1+S2** Online survey in two waves for internal evaluation addressed to associated partners, conducted in Nov 2014 and Nov 2015
- S3** Short online survey for external evaluation addressed to target groups of stakeholders, to be conducted in Oct-Nov 2016

## Qualitative methods

- DA** Documents analysis, examination of deliverables, outputs, reports, minutes and other documents produced throughout the all period of RARHA activity
- SI1+SI2** Semi-structured face-to-face interviews with WP leaders and co-leaders, in two rounds, carried out in Apr 2015 and Oct 2016
- PA** Participants Observation by ESADE external evaluators in 3 RARHA meetings, including the Final Conference



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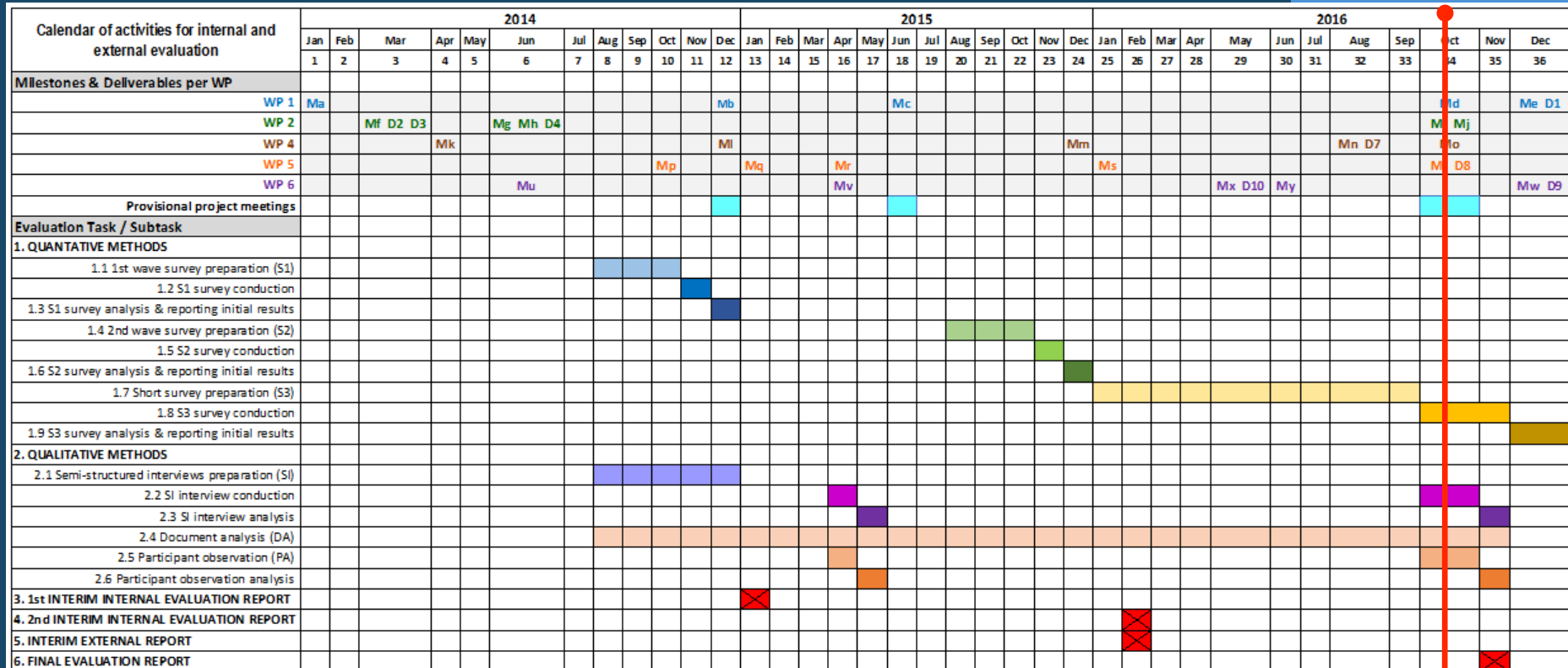
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# Gantt chart of evaluation activities

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## Milestones and Deliverables predefined in the RARHA Grant Agreement:

|    |  |     |  |
|----|--|-----|--|
| Ma | Kickoff meeting  | Mr  | Launch of Delphi survey  |
| Mb | Management meeting, steering committee meetings, advisory committee meetings                                     | Ms  | Expert/policymaker meeting   |
| Mc | Interim meeting and interim report   | Mt  | Publication of synthesis report  |
| Md | Closing conference   | Mv  | Template for describing good practice examples   |
| Me | Final report   | Mw  | Guidance on criteria of good practice in the use of information approaches to reduce alcohol related harm          |
| Mf | Launch of promotional package and main web site  | Mx  | Online version of Tool Kit   |
| Mg | Launch newsletter  | My  | Master for printed Tool Kit  |
| Mh | Satellite event for public launch of the JA  |     | Launch of Tool Kit within wider European conference  |
| Mi | Publication of short version of final report   |     |  |
| Mj | Final conference   | D1  | Technical reports, JA meetings and final conference  |
| Mk | Work meeting to refine SMART methodology, agree on common protocol for surveys and on re-coding of existing data | D2  | Promotional package and communication about the launch of RARHA  |
| Ml | Calls for tender in Task 1 for subcontracting the (face-to-face) survey fieldwork                                | D3  | Main web site and common content for national web pages  |
| Mm | Establishment of international comparative data bases for Task 1 and Task 2                                      | D4  | Bi-annual electronic newsletter  |
| Mn | Work meeting to consolidate findings and discuss conclusions   | D7  | Synthesis report: baseline assessment and suggestions for comparative monitoring of alcohol epidemiology across EU |
| Mo | Synthesis report   | D8  | Synthesis report: good practice principles in the use of drinking guidelines as a public health measure            |
| Mp | Expert work meeting to discuss reviews of: science, SD definitions, use of guidelines, drinking by young people  | D9  | Online version of the Tool Kit   |
| Mq | Launch of consumer survey  | D10 | Master for printed Tool Kit  |

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### RARHA online survey

RARHA online survey is designed to follow the progress of the Joint Action (JA) and assess the process, the outputs and the outcomes of RARHA JA.  
The survey is confidential and only the aggregate data will be made available in reports.  
Completing the survey takes around 15 minutes.  
If you have any questions or queries, please contact Adria Albarada ([adria.albarada@esade.edu](mailto:adria.albarada@esade.edu)) or Tamyko Ysa ([tamyko.ysa@esade.edu](mailto:tamyko.ysa@esade.edu)).

**NOTE:** Be aware that, at the beginning of each section, we indicate who is supposed to answer to the questions posed.

1. Country and organisation

2. Gender

- ☐ Male  
☐ Female

3. Year of birth? (please indicate with four

4. What is your highest level of education?

- ☐ High school degree  
☐ Undergraduate degree  
☐ Masters' degree  
☐ Ph.D  
☐ Other:

5. In this first period of RARHA activities, I involved?

- ☐ WP1: Coordination of the Joint Action  
☐ WP2: Dissemination of the Joint Action  
☐ WP3: Evaluation of the Joint Action  
☐ WP4: Strengthening the monitoring of drink  
☐ WP5: Good practice principles in the use of  
☐ WP6: Good practice Tool Kit

6. In RARHA Joint Action, I mostly undertake:

- ☐ Research/Management tasks  
☐ Administrative/Financial tasks

### RARHA 2nd online survey

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\* Required

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1. Country and organisation \*

2. Gender

- ☐ Male  
☐ Female

3. What is your highest level of education?

- ☐ High school degree  
☐ Undergraduate degree  
☐ Masters' degree  
☐ Ph.D  
☐ Other:

4. In this first period of RARHA activities, in which Work Package(s) have you been personally involved? \*

- ☐ WP1: Coordination of the Joint Action  
☐ WP2: Dissemination of the Joint Action  
☐ WP3: Evaluation of the Joint Action  
☐ WP4: Strengthening the monitoring of drinking patterns and alcohol related harm across EU countries  
☐ WP5: Good practice principles in the use of drinking guidelines to reduce alcohol related harms  
☐ WP6: Good practice Tool Kit

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- Online instrument in 2 waves (Nov-Dec 2014 and Nov-Dec 2015) for **longitudinal analysis of the progress** of the JA
- Assessment of RARHA implementation process through the following **evaluation questions**:
  1. *Is the Joint Action meeting its goals and progressing according to the Grant Agreement?*
  2. *Are there any particular aspects of the RARHA implementation process (e.g. timing, networking, organization, communication, etc.) that needs to be improved or encouraged to increase the overall quality of the action?*
- Addressed to the **32 Associate Partners organizations**, including administrative staff (total contacts 113)
- Response rate 1<sup>st</sup> wave 64.7%; 2<sup>nd</sup> wave 57.1%



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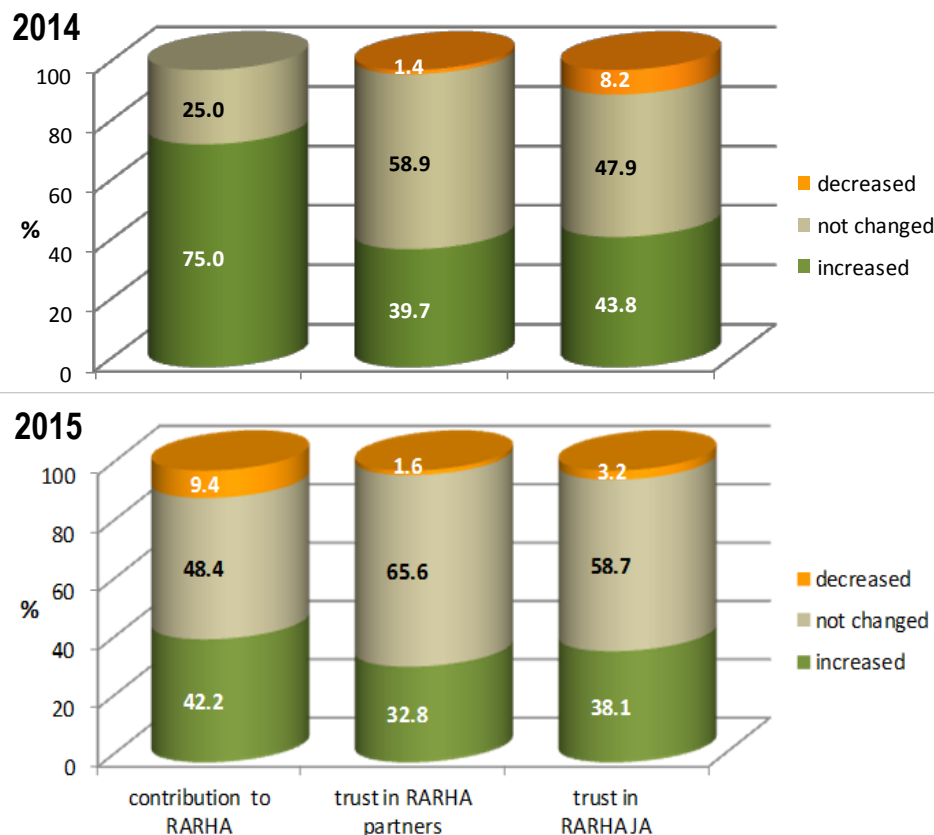
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# S1+S2 Longitudinal evaluation of RARHA process by means of 3 main indicators

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Regarding the process over time, in the last year of activities, your ...



- As expected, the **individual contribution to RARHA** activities has considerably increased during the first year of the JA. In the second year of activity, it remains substantially unchanged for most partners
- The **trust in RARHA partners and in the JA** as a whole is substantially unchanged over time
- The reduction in the proportion of subjects with decreasing **trust in the JA** shows a longitudinal improvement in the level of confidence in RARHA potentialities



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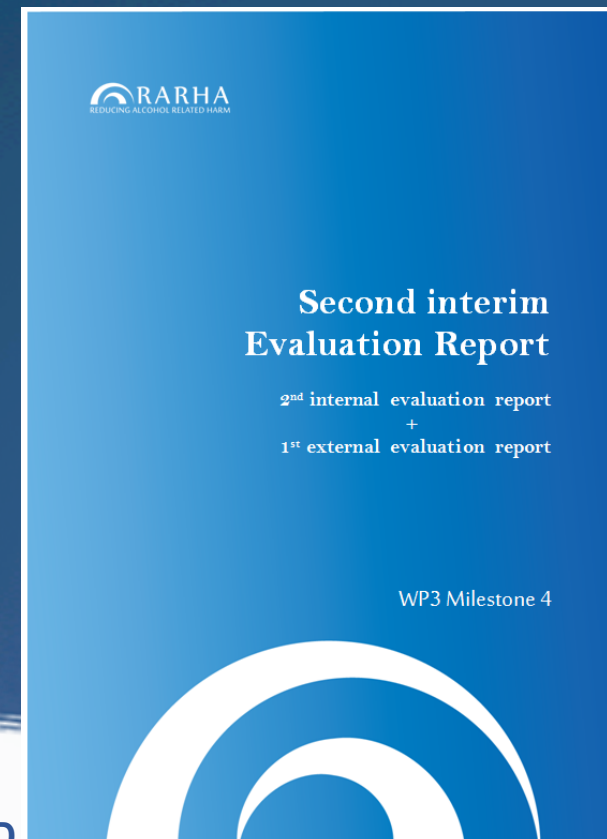


# Interim evaluation results

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- The implementation process obtains an overall positive judgment by all partners involved in RARHA activities
- The JA is meeting its goals and progressing according to the Grant Agreement
- Apart from minor delays in producing certain products it seems that the JA is meeting its deadlines and producing the expected outputs
- Unless unexpected situation arise, everything seems to indicate that the JA will properly meet its objectives
- To facilitate the sustainability of results, a certain attention should be paid to enhance the circulation of information and the dissemination of RARHA products, in order to ensure that the JA findings reach as many and qualified stakeholders as possible



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# S3 Short online survey for external evaluation

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In the next few days, a sample composed of 293 experts in the field of alcohol related harm or public health, from the following categories of stakeholders:

- CNAPA members and observers
- RARHA Collaborating partners
- National experts selected by the 32 Associated Partners

will be reached by email and invited to participate in the final RARHA evaluation survey.

The aim of this survey is to gain knowledge on the extent to which the JA results have been properly disseminated among the main stakeholders in the field of interest, and also to assess their perception of the effect and impact of RARHA results on future national alcohol policies and practices.



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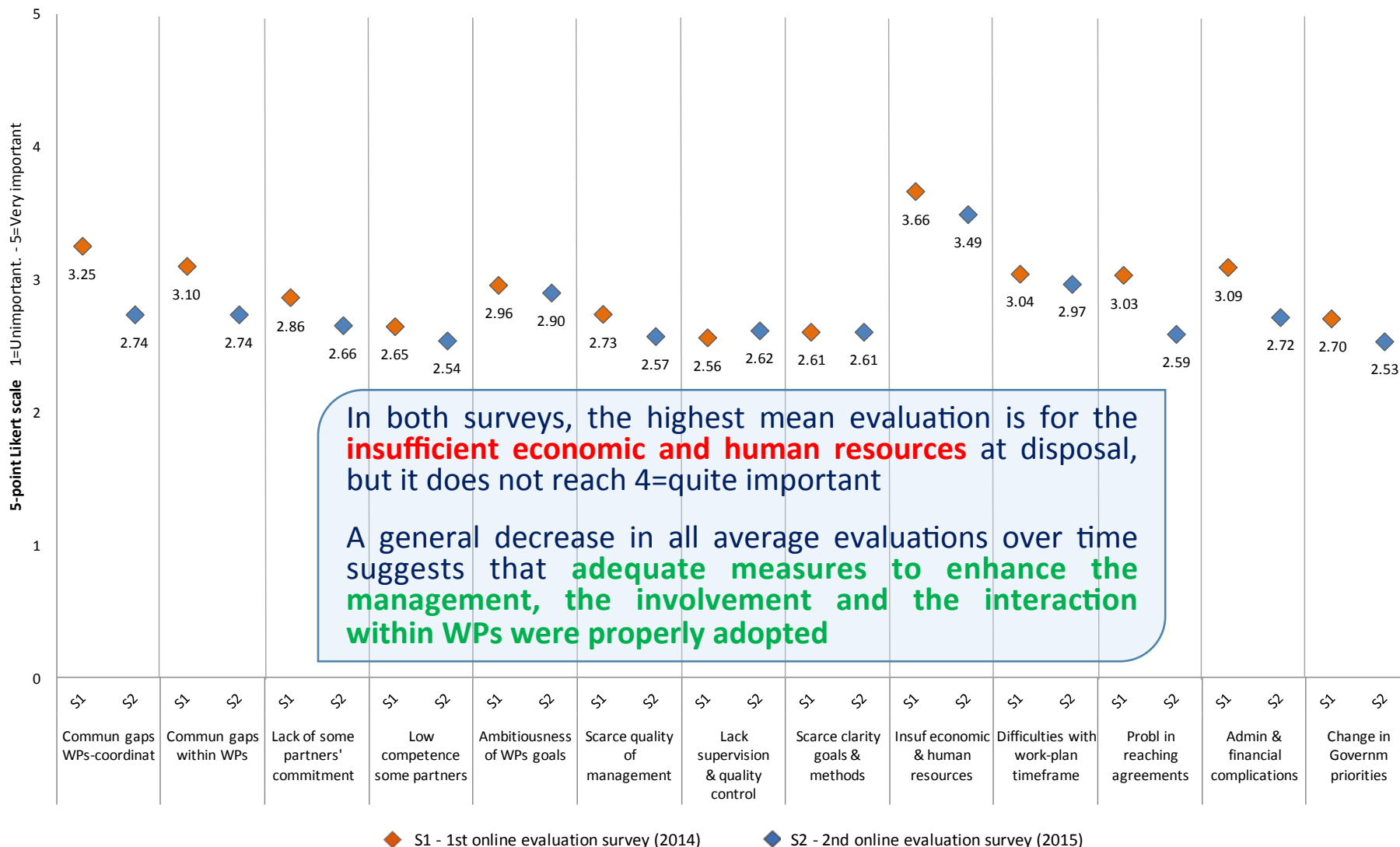
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# S1+S2 Partners' rating of potential obstacles to the implementation process of the JA

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Evaluation is a process ...

Final evaluation is ongoing and will be produced in due time . At that time there will be no more face to face opportunities to thank you all for all the efforts and fruitful and friendly contribution that is an added value we have perceived growing along the JA and we feel overcoming the framework of a formal “neutral” activity as evaluation WP usually represents ...

Dealing with barriers and facilitators and making use of the time by time evaluation RARHA had the opportunity to know better each other and to look at the main common goal to make RARHA the best place to deal with MS needs and expectations fully complying with the need to create the consensus we all need to tackle alcohol related harm



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