4th CDM Roundtable

Wrap-up session
Sampling

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Main issues discussed:

• Draft revised standard
  • Switch of proportion in the sample size calculation should be possible even throughout the project lifetime without changing monitoring plan
  • How to deal with existing sampling plan and follow guidance afterwards, especially for PoA and CPAs
  • Footnote or guidance by EB-report what is superseding: existing plan / standard

• Side discussion on ex-ante approval of monitoring plan
Break-out session [Sampling]

Main issues discussed:

• Minimum sample size for determining the mean
  • Preference for following formula
  • 30 is required as pre-condition to apply the formula
  • Rationale for 50 and 100 is unclear
  • Elements where minimum is irrelevant while for others it may require insurmountable burden – ideas for solution?

• Areas for further elaboration
  • Questionable applicability if not applied for surveys /e.g. monitoring of fuel parameter: Is scope too wide?
  • Does every monitoring report require an own sample? Clear guidance is missing (amendment to standard requested)
Main issues discussed:

- Areas for further elaboration
  - Sampling guidance for DOE's might be quite challenging (e.g. a random sample of country-wide records is still country-wide) options for document review acceptable?
  - But experiences are still missed but high impact on transaction costs is feared (reference to field/on-site check; are options for document review acceptable?)
  - By differences in time there are automatically differences in result
  - Recommend that examples not to become the rule
  - Conclusion is to reconsider DOR section
Main issues discussed:

- Best practice examples on dealing with failure to achieve reliability
  - Take conservative numbers of existing sample is suggested or amending sampling
  - But additional sampling as presented might not be a practically feasible option
  - Further assistance is required

- Evaluation criteria to be used in validation
  - Again considered to early for providing clear feedback
  - Hence list should not be considered neither complete nor mandatory
Break-out session [Sampling]

Further practice examples in other areas:

- Considered helpful for all sides
- Precedence from registered and successful activities with technologies on household level is missing
- How to develop missing examples? Secretariat? Workshops? Internet-based solutions?