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**NATIONAL
EVALUATION
SOCIETIES
OF EUROPE**

A Work Group within the European Evaluation Society

Results of the 2008 monitoring survey

Strasbourg – July 2nd

Responses from 12 societies

Czech Evaluation Network
Finnish Evaluation Society (FES)
French Evaluation Society (SFE)
Irish Evaluation Network (IEN)
Italian Evaluation Association (AIV)
Polish Evaluation Society (PTE)
Romanian Evaluation Network (Evalrom)
Slovak Evaluation Network
Spanish Evaluation Society (SEE)
Swedish Evaluation Society (SVUF)
Swiss Evaluation Society (SEVAL)
UK Evaluation Society (UKES)

Other societies have responded after July 2nd and are not included in this synthesis. We apologise for this inconvenience and we are preparing an update.

Respondents

Are board members, vice-/presidents, founding
members of their respective societies

Answers validated by the society's board
Yes = 7; No = 5

Could not be reached in 2008

DeGeVAL   (Germany, Austria, Switzerland)

Vlaams Evaluatieplatform   (Belgium, Vlanders)

SWEP   (Belgium, Wallonie)

Dansk Evaluerings Selskab   (Denmark)

VIDE   (Netherlands)

Slovensko drustwo evalvatorjev
                                              (Slovenia)

… other missing socities?

Age and size

	founded	indiv. members	instit. members
UK Evaluation Society (UKES)	1993/94	300	15
Swiss Evaluation Society (SEVAL)	1996	367	-
Italian Evaluation Association (AIV)	1997	250	-
Finnish Evaluation Society (FES)	1999	140	4
French Evaluation Society (SFE)	1999	300	
Polish Evaluation Society (PTE)	2000	62	-
Spanish Evaluation Society (SEE)	2001	200	10
Irish Evaluation Network (IEN)	2002	370	5
Swedish Evaluation Society (SVUF)	2002	250	17
Slovak Evaluation Network	2007	-	-
Czech Evaluation Network	2008	-	-
Romanian Eval. Network (Evalrom)	2008	40	-

Conferences

	frequency	participants
UK Evaluation Society (UKES)	annually	1000
French Evaluation Society (SFE)	biannually	450
Italian Evaluation Association (AIV)	annually	250
Swedish Evaluation Society (SVUF)	biannually	250
Spanish Evaluation Society (SEE)	biannually	200
Irish Evaluation Network (IEN)	biannually	120
Swiss Evaluation Society (SEVAL)	annually	80-100
Finnish Evaluation Society (FES)	annually	50
Polish Evaluation Society (PTE)	every 3y	30-40
Romanian Eval.Network (Evalrom)	annually	20
Slovak Evaluation Network	-	-
Czech Evaluation Network	-	-

Recent conference topics

- Public Management and Evaluation (Spain)
- Standards of evaluation (Poland)
- Evaluation in progress, progress in evaluation? (Sweden)
- The relationship of evaluation to emerging approaches to quality
  assurance in organisations (Ireland)
- Organisation of the evaluative practice: professional perspective (Italy)
- The development of the professional community (Romania)
- Place of evaluation in the civil society (Switzerland)
- Ex ante evaluation and impact assessment (Finland)
- Meeting the changing needs of stakeholders in evaluation (UK)
- Evaluation and citizen involvement (France)

Working groups

Regional working groups   Sweden, Romania, UK, France

Sector-based working groups   ?

Thematic working groups   Czech Rep., France, Italy, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK

Standards

Standards	Finland, Italy, Poland, Switzerland
Principles	France
Guidelines	UK
Decision not to set standards	Sweden

Journals

Italy:	Rassegna Italiana di Valutazione
Switzerland:	LEGES
Finland:	A yearly evaluation supplement in the quarterly journal "Hallinnon tutkimus" (online)
France:	Les Cahiers de la SFE

Cooperation between Societies

already cooperated with:

Finnish Evaluation Society (FES)   e.g.Denmark, Sweden

French Evaluation Society (SFE)   SEVAL, SWEP

Irish Evaluation Network (IEN)   UKES, AEA

Spanish Evaluation Society (SEE)   SFE

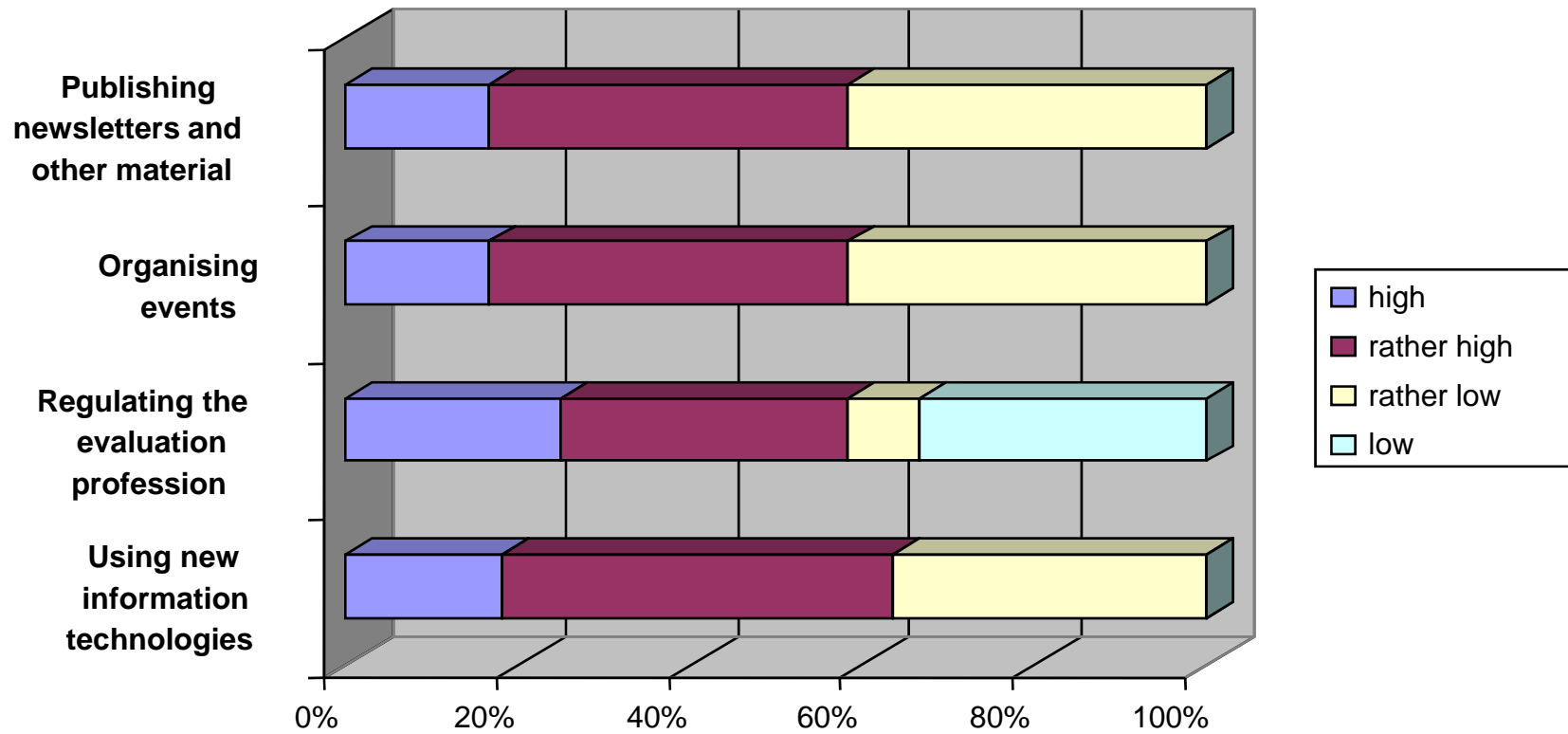Swiss Evaluation Society (SEVAL)   SFE, DEGEVAL, EES

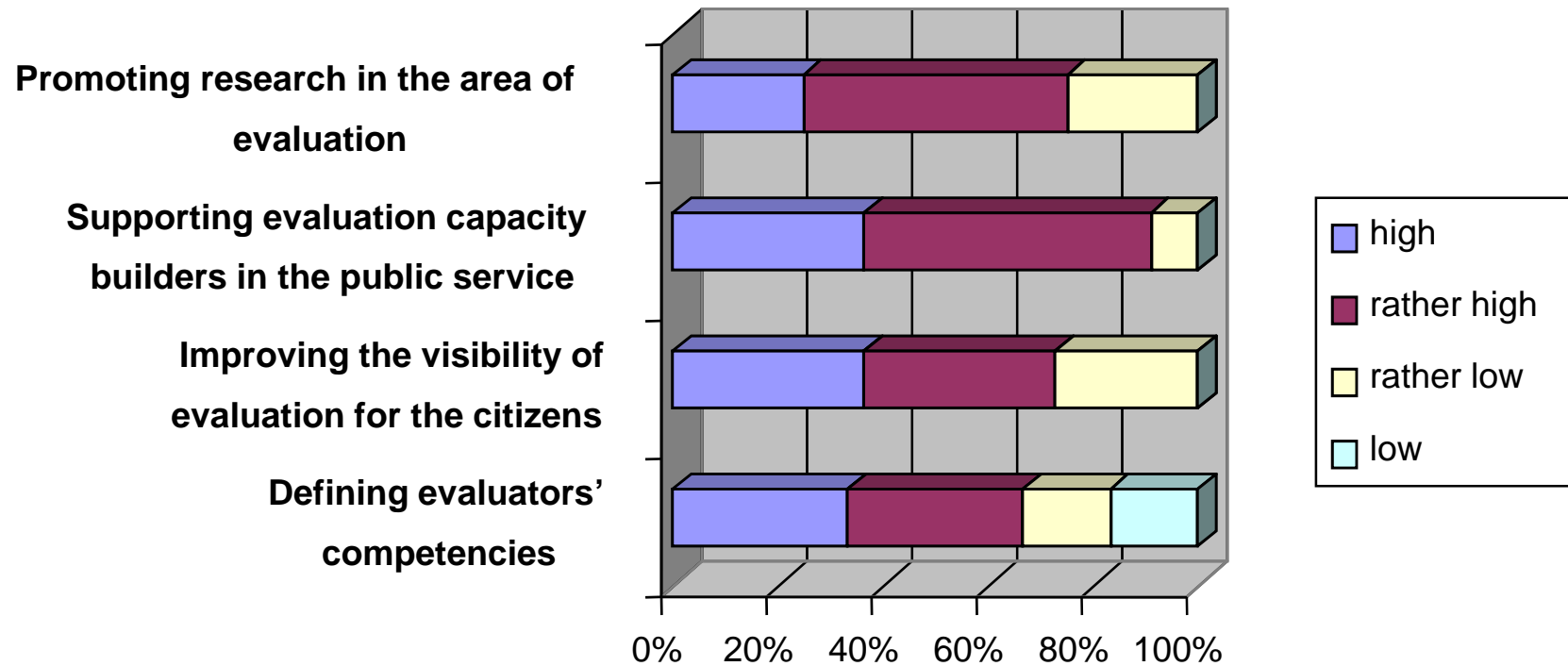UK Evaluation Society (UKES)   e.g. Poland, EES

Past Cooperations included...

- Cooperation in organising conferences and seminars

- Common training activities, seminars

- Thematic exchange on:
  - Public Sector Accountability,
  - School Evaluation,
  - Educational Evaluation,
  - Origins of Irish Evaluation,
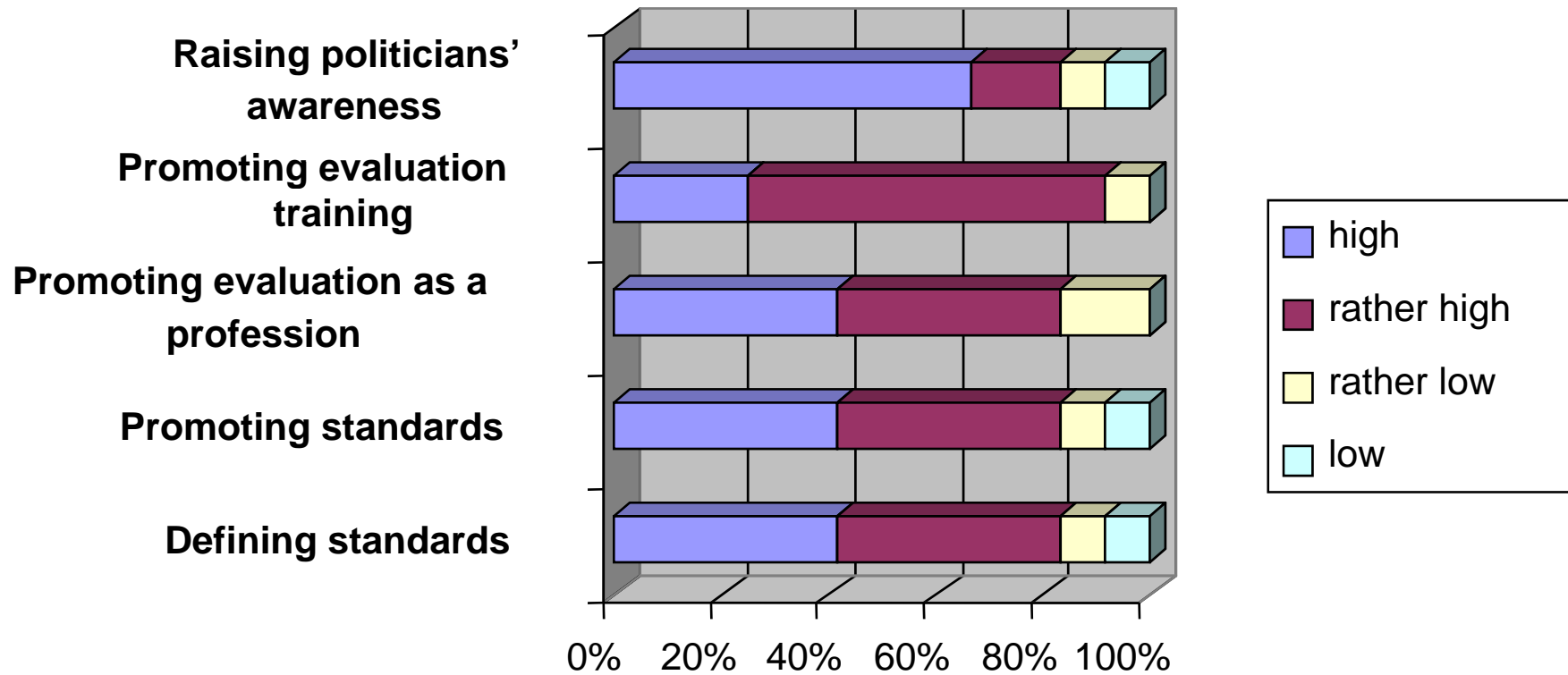 - Evaluation standards

Expectations for cooperation

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Main expectations for cooperation

Raising public awareness

Promoting evaluation as a profession

Defining and promoting standards

Capacity building in the public service

Promoting evaluation training

Setting up an evaluation society (events, newsletter, …)