

## EFA – GROUP 2

### Results

1. Measurement equipment: we agree to keep the available instruments to measure EFA elements in the field. We don't think it's necessary to update the tools and it would be too costly for MS;
2. First issue: define correctly what to measure, in other words, the EFA elements, and then start to measure it;
3. Tolerances: two approaches for a linear measurement:
  - a. 2% and a minimum accepted of 0,5 m;
  - b. 10% flat.
4. Tolerance for polygon measurement: single buffer tolerance.

The group has discussed other issues without a clear conclusion:

- Where are the borders of the EFA elements on the field? In some cases it's difficult to establish and it's also difficult to assess in the field;
- Due to the difficulty to measure in the field ditches, wooded strips, hedgerows that are very long and without the possibility to cross them, it's possible to measure them on the screen (even with archive orthophotos) and only "validate" in the field?
- Way to measure and consider a feature that is not regular:
  - Split the polygon in "simple" polygon;
  - Way to consider the "angle" or junction parts.

The MS seem to have still a lot of open questions about EFA that are not completely assessed in the guidelines: i.e. real cases about how the different MS can evaluate and manage different situations.