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## News

### A new Cork Declaration 2016

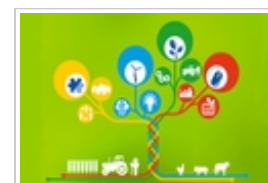
**This Special Edition ENRD Newsletter (see attached) provides a highlights summary of the recent Cork 2.0 European Conference on Rural Development and the Cork 2.0 Declaration that resulted.**

More than 300 rural development stakeholders met for the [Conference](#) in Cork, Ireland, 5-6 September 2016. They participated in four thematic workshops on:

- Jobs, Growth and Investment;
- Rural environment, climate & water;
- Innovation;
- Rural viability and vitality.

Each parallel workshop went through a three-stage process to identify: 1. the main potentials and opportunities under each theme; 2. the main drivers and barriers to making the most of those opportunities; and 3. the emerging recommendations for policy and action.

A drafting committee of experts under the chairmanship of Heino von Meyer (OECD) turned these inputs into a [Cork 2.0 Declaration: A Better Life in Rural Areas](#). This new Declaration comes exactly twenty years since the original Cork Declaration (1996) that laid the ground for Rural Development policy in Europe.



## Documents

-  [ENRD Special Edition Newsletter Cork 2.0](#)  
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