

1. Annual Work Programme (AWP) 2012: priorities supporting RDP implementation

- The network maintains an annual work programme.
- For the 2012-2014 a multi-annual work programme was drafted.
- The current AWP was approved on 15th December 2011.

- The main priorities of the current AWP include:
 - Best use of knowledge and experience in rural areas and agriculture;
 - Local funding and opportunities for (European) funds;
 - Well-functioning local and regional partnerships.



2. Thematic Initiatives launched by the Network

Priority	Services and products
1. Utilization of knowledge and experience	State-of-the-art-meetings
	Access to useful practices including local funding and organization
	Articles in professional magazines, information bulletins and blogs
	Excursions to exchange (Standplaats.pl)
	Communities of practice
	Study meetings
2. Local funding	New forms of cooperation
	Workshops and conferences
	Website and blog
	Articles in 'Streek' (magazine)
3. Local and regional partnerships	Regional meetings
	Pilots in new partnerships
	Relevant benchmarks
	Website
	LinkedIn-groups
	Rural Parliament
4. Visibility and heritage	Book 'The ideal country side'
	Publication on local funding
	Handing over document for the next Network Unit

2.1 LEADER-related activities

- The NSU/MA has staff dedicated to LAG support and organises training and events but not exclusively for LAGs.
- Information about these events is available on: <http://www.netwerkplatteland.nl/agenda/>
- The NSU/MA provides guidelines and other supporting documents i.e. on transnational cooperation.
- The NSU/MA staff support inter-regional and transnational cooperation by disseminating and exchanging information.

3. Relevant Experiences/Good Practices

- Good practices stories are collected through coordinators at the provinces (MA), through the database where people can submit their ideas and through the organization of contests.
- Stories are disseminated through the network's website, via a contest "POP Prijs" and thought workshops on certain topics.
- Relevant experiences/good practices are available on: <http://www.netwerkplatteland.nl/articletype/innovatieve-praktijken>.

4. Communication

- The communication tools mostly used by the network are:
- Website, social media (twitter), quarterly magazine (STREEK), newsletter.

5. Documents

- Publications, info materials, videos, etc are available on: <http://www.netwerkplatteland.nl/netwerk-platteland/publicaties>.
- Latest version of the NSP and RDP available on MA website: <http://www.regiebureau-pop.eu>.