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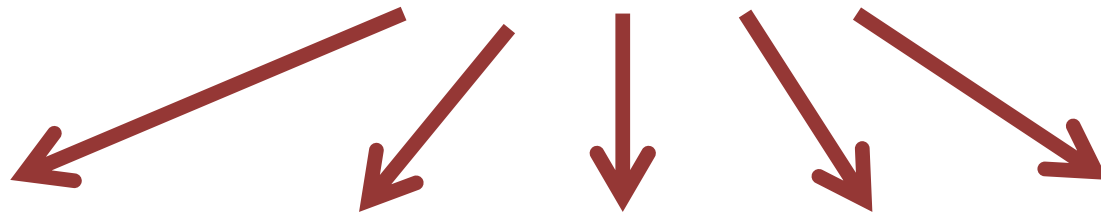
WS2: How to develop a supportive / enabling support for TNC

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France: a 2 level organisation...

NATIONAL LEVEL

- Managing authority -> general guidelines (for regional Mas) & light 'procedure guide' (for all, Mas & LAGs)
- National network -> promotion, gathering of information, general overview & direct support to regional networks



REGIONAL LEVEL

- Managing authority -> definition of the administrative rules of the game for cooperation
- Regional networks -> promotion, information, training sessions, direct support to LAGs

... and 2 parallel tracks

MANAGING AUTHORITY (NATIONAL & REGIONAL)

- Definition of procedures: rules, eligibility, ...
- Definition of the tasks of the networks re. cooperation -> scope of their missions
- Eligibility check of the projects

More of an 'administrative' approach to cooperation



NETWORK (NATIONAL & REGIONAL)

- Direct support to LAGs in the definition and implementation of their cooperation projects
- Cooperation network -> acquisition of skills, development of tools (for support & project implementation)...

More of a user directed approach: LAGs and project promoters

the networks' efficient support

- **A dynamic approach to cooperation through a network of networks (national & regional):**

Requirement
from the
Managing
authority

- 'usual' **tools** to facilitate cooperation: communication, good practices, partnersearch databases...
- direct **contacts** with LAGs & project promoters → assistance & support

- regular **meetings** of all networks (3-4 times a year): exchange of information, training, co-construction of tools/event schemes, development of links between projects...

Further
proposals from
the networks

- common **monitoring tools** -> a cooperation '**dash board**' gathering information on all known cooperation ideas, search for partners, projects, ... and a good opportunity to see which projects seem 'stuck' and take action!

the results ?

- A general heading common to all LAGs (procedures & global assistance)
- Different levels of assistance available to LAGs according to their needs: from day to day support to wider requests
- A dynamic network to make cooperation easier for LAGs and to assist them in every step of their cooperation journey
- Easier contacts between LAGs between different regions (real networking effect)

- Some delays in the definition of cooperation rules
- Regionalised system → sometimes, non-equality of treatment (procedures or available assistance) - difficult for LAGs

Issues to make cooperation work: openness to cooperation, acceptance of 'risk taking', being clear on the ambition set for cooperation projects...