

European Rural Networks' Assembly

Tackling key issues in RDP implementation (including a simpler and more effective rolling out of LEADER/CLLD)

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Purpose of the Workshop

- Identifying activities contributing to a simpler and more effective RDP implementation
 - Special focus on what can be done by the rural network and its members
 - Building upon rural networks' achievements
 - Establishing links to existing work programmes
 - Prioritizing with regard to most essential needs and timing



ENRD activities supporting

more effective and simpler RDP implementation

- RDP Analysis and purpose-oriented screening
- Good practices of programming and implementation methods
- Ruralabs
- Further Tools: Publications, Guides, FAQs, Social media
 - Definition of scope: need-oriented
 - Open for assessing the possibility to offer new tools - proposals might result from this workshop
- Series of 3 – 4 Workshops until mid 2016
 - Topics to be defined ...



Series of Workshops – Selection of themes

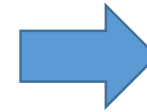
SG Priorities

1. Simplification
2. Advisory services-
knowledge transfer-
innovation
3. Local food- short supply
chain-urban-rural, small farms
4. Pillar 1- Pillar 2 linkages
5. Demographic change +
social inclusion
6. Multifund approaches
7. Green economy, Jobs +
growth
8. Starting up NRNs
9. Evaluating network
activities
10. Climate change



Needs assessment

- Survey among participants
of the planned RDP
Conference
 - Survey among Desk officers
 - Consultation of DG Agri
units
 - Consideration of the results
of other workshops
- and ...*
*... assessment of preferences
within this workshop*



Topics



Themes identified so far

1. Focus on individual measures: M 16 Cooperation
2. Public procurement
3. Empowering advisory services
4. Setting up and running Monitoring Committees
5. Communication plans
6. Information and publicity strategy / Awareness raising
7. Usage of selection criteria/ Arranging selection processes
8. Financial instruments
9. Managing challenges faced by member states with two or more RDPs
10. Simplification – Financial Management
11. LEADER - TNC
12. Pillar 1 – Pillar 2 linkages
13. The potential of the EFSI for rural areas
14. SCO

**No
Ranking!**



Further themes can be proposed

Considering that ...

- the workshops are foreseen to take place over the next half year
- a theme has not to be relevant for all member states/ regions
- a workshop can or cannot address several stakeholder groups

- Topics which are not addressed within a workshop might be approached with other instruments



CLLD – specific objectives

Programme level:

- Simplify delivery
- Coordinate multifunding
- Improve cooperation between different levels

Help NRNs with:

- Capacity building of CLLD actors
- Facilitating exchange between different delivery actors

Local actors

- Targeted pilot activities
- Tools (website, publications, GPs...)



CLLD – themes

(identified by the Leader/CLLD Subgroup
meeting in April 2015)

1. Approaches to multi-funding
2. Delivery systems for CLLD
3. Capacity building for LAGs
4. How to support TNC effectively
5. Measuring the success of LEADER/CLLD
6. LEADER/CLLD as a tool to achieve local development priorities
7. LEADER/CLLD and innovation
8. LAGs as communicators



CLLD – activities (1)

Overview of CLLD in RDPs

Three workshops:

- January 2016: delivery systems – **simplifying CLLD**
- March 2016: achieving local development priorities – **fostering social inclusion in CLLD** (tbc)
- June 2016: supporting TNC effectively: **improving the delivery of LEADER cooperation**

LEADER/CLLD Subgroup meeting. Provisional theme: capacity building & exchange on enhancing the bottom-up approach (February 2016)

- **Ad hoc meetings** subject to demand



CLLD – activities (2)

LEADER Toolkit

- New, improved structure (by end 2015)
- On-going updates

Good practices

- up to 10 examples of MA, NRN or LAG practices: methods of delivery, capacity building, animation, cooperation...

LAG database, cooperation partner search tool, FAQs and other web-based tools

Joint activities with other CLLD Funds:

- Joint CLLD seminar (9-10 December, led by DG MARE)
- Further joint activities



How can MAs and NRNs contribute to improving RDP implementation

- Practical solutions -



Group work

Key questions

- What type of activities are already done to address such problems as identified in the example?
- What can rural networks do about it?
- Who is going to be interested/ involved or will bring actions?



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*Your
examples +
priorities?*

