



**European Rural Networks'
Steering Group**

**LEADER/CLLD conference: “Strengthening Local
Development through Cooperation”
Milan, 25 September 2015**

Stephen Jackson: Wales Rural Network

**3rd Meeting
Brussels - 20 October 2015**



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Representing UK National Rural Network:

- England
- Scotland
- Wales
- Northern Ireland



Strengthening Local Development Through Cooperation

How to design a supportive or enabling
delivery system for TNC

John Grieve, Ed Thorpe

Milan – 25 September 2015



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The cooperation conference...

- ...was organised in Milan (Italy) in the context of the Expo Milano
- ...was preceded by an NRN meeting on LEADER/CLLD (24 September)
- ...brought together 176 participants from 28 MS and 15 countries outside the EU



Key objectives were:

- Peer learning on improving delivery and harmonising rules for cooperation projects
- Highlighting the applicability of local development methods in different rural areas
- Strengthening cooperation between local partnerships within and outside the EU



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Activities included:

- Presentations of cooperation project examples (inter-territorial, transnational, between EU Funds), including many examples of cooperation with Third Countries
- Analysis and discussion of the new EU framework for LEADER cooperation
- Exchange of practices on delivery of LEADER/CLLD cooperation projects (including cooperation with Third Countries and cooperation between different EU Funds) and ideas how NRNs can support such cooperation
- Developing recommendations and action points



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SPAIN - MEXICO

CLLD IN MEXICO: 2 LAGs IN CHIAPAS OPEN TO EU

Come to visit us!

Objetivo: Integrar los Comarcas Programadas México EU de 2. Sistema aptitudes y servicios de los Comarcas y implementación de la Comarcas de desarrollo Comarcas.

With Spanish LAGs (LAGs) objectives:

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How to approach an industrial and professional team?

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Workshop achieved:

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Main outcomes:

- **Raising the profile of transnational cooperation**, including cooperation with Third Countries, as a powerful tool to achieve local development objectives and address new challenges (such as the impact of migrants and refugees)
- **Recommendations and practical solutions** to address implementation issues linked to cooperation under LEADER/CLLD (administrative complexity, different rules and procedures, the need for improved communication and trust), in the light of the new possibilities of EU legislation 2014-2020



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Wales NSU Perspective:

- **Timely event - developing our co-operation offer at Wales and UK level**
- **Feedback on the UK/Ireland cluster**
- **Addressed live and sensitive issues e.g. refugees**
- **Energised - 8 Action Points**
- **And it was an opportunity to....**



Logo of the event, partially visible on the red wall.



- **Network**
- **Catch Up**
- **Benchmark our progress**

Thanks