



European Rural Networks'
Steering Group

Overview of the activities of the networks

4th Meeting
Brussels – 4th March 2016

#RNSteeringGroup

General and specific objectives of EU Rural Networks

General Objectives

Enhance participation

Improve the policy quality

Increase awareness

Specific Objectives

A. Stakeholders' involvement in rural development

B. Dialogue between farmers and research community

C. Inclusion of all stakeholders in the knowledge exchange process

D. Exchange of expertise and good practice

E. Improve the quality of RDPs

F. Support the evaluation of RDPs

G. Informing the broader public on the benefits of rural development policy



Putting Assembly / Steering Group priority themes into practice

HOW?

1. Simplification
2. Pillar 1- Pillar 2 linkages
3. Multifund approaches
4. Starting up NRNs
5. Evaluating network activities

WHAT?

1. Advisory services-knowledge transfer-innovation
2. Short supply chain-Local food-urban/rural-small farms
3. Demographic change + social inclusion
4. Green economy, Jobs + growth
5. Climate change

RDP analysis,
good practices...

Capacity building
& peer exchange

Smart and competitive
agriculture and rural
areas

Promoting the
transition to a
green economy

Fiches/Guidance
documents

Workshops/
Seminars

Focus Groups

Thematic Groups

Communications

Etc...

Work streams 2016

CAPACITY BUILDING AND PEER EXCHANGE

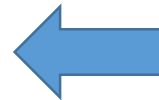
- Managing Authorities
- NRNs and NSUs
- Local Action Groups
- Operational Groups
- Agricultural Researchers and Advisors
- Evaluators

THEMATIC WORK

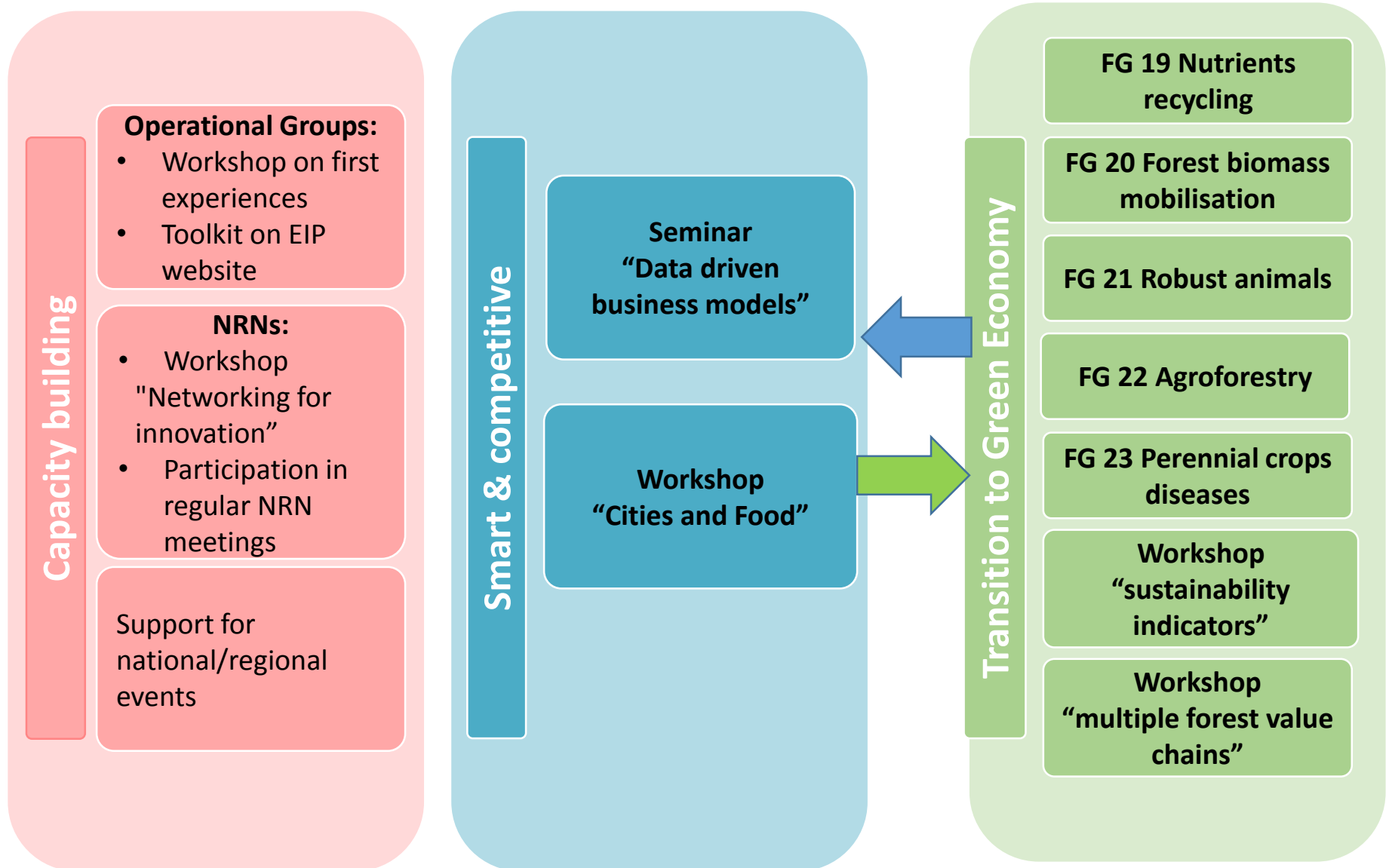
- **Smart and competitive agriculture and rural areas**
- **Promoting the transition to a green economy**
- **Evaluation–related themes (e.g. LEADER/CLLD; HNV, ex-post, AIR2017)**

CROSS-CUTTING ACTIVITIES

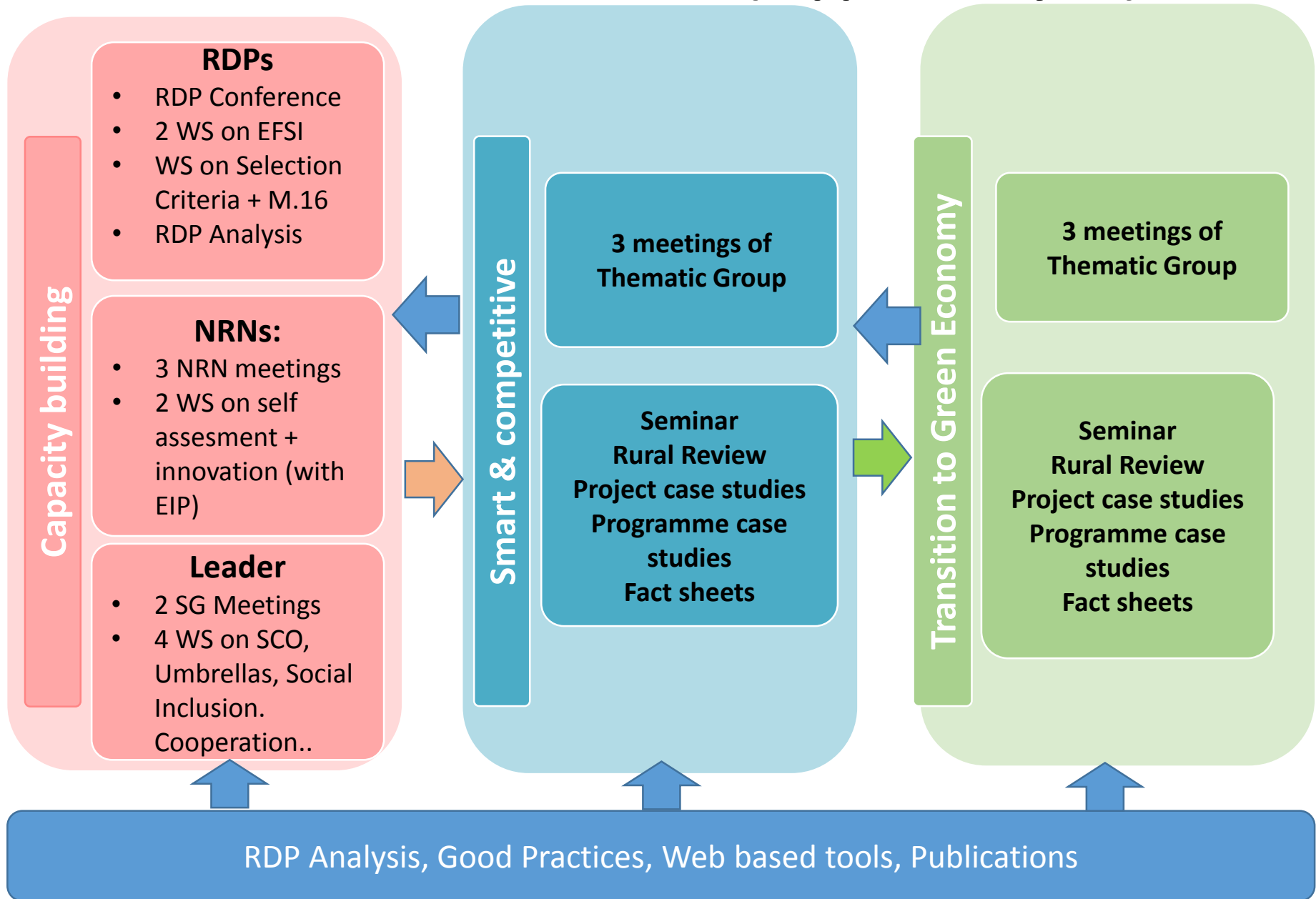
- RDP analysis
- Good practices
- Communications
- Guidance documents (Evaluation)



Main EIP-AGRI activities 2016



Main ENRD activities (supported by CP)



Main ENRD activities supported by the Evaluation Helpdesk

