



# Keskipiste

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Youth and depopulation  
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# KESKIPISTE-LEADER

- Founded 1996
- Located in the center of Finland
- Area 10 400 km<sup>2</sup>
- 42 000 inhabitants
- 4 inh / km<sup>2</sup>
- 19,25 % under 15 years old (16,0 %)



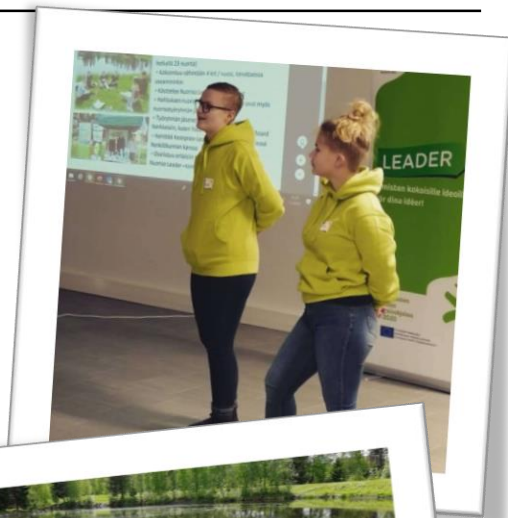
# Leader fund for youth

- young people's own initiatives, "mini projects"
- max 500 €, local money
- easy, quick, flexible
- we trust!



# Youth action team

- 24 members, 13-20 years old
- opinion on the funding of mini projects
- develop LAG's youth work with project activator



# Entrepreneurship

- support for mini companies / business trials
- entrepreneurship education network
- own projects;  
Transinnovation camp for youth (E+)



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# International activities

- ERASMUS+
- TNC projects
- Ireland, Scotland, Latvia, Hungary, Romania, Poland, Netherlands, France, Spain, Portugal, French Guiana...



# EAFRD projects

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- Villages for youth
- SILTA (co-operative of young people)
- Youth Board and Youth manifesto (TNC project)
- Active participants!



# Results so far

- ~360 mini projects
- ~1200 young people being active
- ~80 mini companies
- positive effects among young people
- depopulation ?





# Future & Cap27

- youth strategy 2021-2027 (by young people)
- human resources needed
- definition of "young people" → not only young farmers
- remember...





AND GIVE US THE CHANCE TO TAKE THE LEAD.



# Thank you!

**Keskipiste-Leader**

[www.keskipisteleader.fi](http://www.keskipisteleader.fi) / <https://youtu.be/b-9H6mYJqqU>

**Youth Board and Youth Manifesto**

[https://enrd.ec.europa.eu/projects-practice/youth-board-and-youth-manifesto\\_en](https://enrd.ec.europa.eu/projects-practice/youth-board-and-youth-manifesto_en) & <https://youtu.be/bnfHHAXNNwE>

**SILTA-project** [https://enrd.ec.europa.eu/projects-practice/silta-bridge-youth-entrepreneurship\\_en](https://enrd.ec.europa.eu/projects-practice/silta-bridge-youth-entrepreneurship_en)