

LEADER Thematic Lab ‘Maintaining and widening stakeholder engagement’

Agenda

4 June 2020

The 4th LEADER Thematic Lab on Maintaining and widening stakeholder engagement will involve LEADER stakeholders from local communities, local action groups (LAGs), Managing Authorities and National Rural Networks. Discussions will focus on the role of LAGs in maintaining and widening stakeholder engagement in their local areas to develop short and long-term responses to local challenges now and for the future. The webinar will also share experiences of how LAGs are responding to the current COVID-19 crisis and the key elements of building and strengthening local resilience for the future.

Timing (Brussels time)	Agenda item
09:45-10.15	Online registrations
10.15-11.15	<p>Session 1: Widening stakeholder engagement</p> <p>Welcome, introduction to the webinar (ENRD CP)</p> <p>Key considerations from the Commission perspective (Karolina Jasinska, DG AGRI)</p> <p>Experiences of widening stakeholder engagement at LAG level, between LAGs and in the LEADER delivery chain, including alternative and innovative ways of widening stakeholder engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Widening stakeholder engagement at LAG level: Theory-U, lessons learnt, applications for the future (Mireille Groot Koerkamp, LAG Salland, Netherlands) • Stakeholder engagement and its role in successful LEADER implementation – lessons learnt from Spanish LAGs (Maria José Murciano, REDR, Spain) • Widening and deepening LAG engagement at Member State level – various methods (Ulrika Holmgren, National Rural Network, Sweden) • Working with LAGs in a digital innovation hub – reasons, benefits, ways forward (Emilija Stojmenova Duh – 4PDIH, Slovenia)
11.15-11.35	Coffee & informal discussion. Mini-survey.

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11.35-12.50	<p>Session 2: Maintaining stakeholder engagement in crisis situations</p> <p>Questions from session 1</p> <p>Experiences in adapting to the COVID-19 crisis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintaining stakeholder engagement and ensuring RD policy delivery during the COVID-19 crisis (Marjeta Jeric, Managing Authority, Slovenia) • NRN support to crisis response in rural communities (Ana Pires da Silva, National Rural Network, Portugal) • What LAGs are saying on how COVID-19 is affecting their work (Marion Eckardt, ELARD) • Working with LAGs in developing local responses to COVID-19 (Emilija Stojmenova Duh, 4PDIH; Andrej Medved, LAG Istra, Slovenia) <p>Q&A. Discussion</p>
12.50-13:00	Summary and conclusions