

# JOINT ENRD - Réseau Wallon Workshop

## NRNs going local!

*Exploring approaches to regional and local networking*

**Citadelle de Namur, 31 May 2017**

### Background

The ENRD Contact Point is looking **to explore how the NRNs approach regional and local networking** to reach out to stakeholders more effectively. This workshop responds to specific requests to address this subject, with the intent of building on the previous activities on regionalised NRNs.



Some **in-depth mapping work** has been developed in six selected Member States - namely Belgium, France, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovakia - to screen how local networking is happening in these quite different regional delivery models.

### Objectives

The workshop, organised with the support of the Belgian-Walloon Rural Network, aims to:

- Present the results of the analytical work on regional/local delivery with presentations from participants from selected countries and regions;
- Examine how the two-way flow of networking can be facilitated (centre-periphery and vice versa);
- Explore the potential of local networking by promoting exchanges between the participants and to identify challenges and room for improvement.

<b>Timing</b> 	<b>Agenda item</b> 
09:00 – 09:30	<i>Arrival and registration</i>
09:30 – 10:00	<b>Welcome and introductory remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening of the Workshop – <i>Belgian-Walloon Authority</i></li> <li>• Welcome Speech – <i>DG AGRI</i></li> <li>• Introduction to the day – <i>ENRD CP</i></li> </ul>
10:00 – 12:30	<b>Identifying the main elements of the Regional and Local Networking landscape</b>
10:00– 10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of the ENRD CP Mapping work, <i>Anna Parizán, Veronika Korcekova ENRD CP</i></li> <li>• Presentation of regional examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Collaboration in Belgium, <i>Ariane Van den Steen and Xavier Delmon</i></li> <li>○ Région de Bretagne – France, <i>Marianne Paboef</i></li> <li>○ Podlaskie Region – Poland, <i>Marcin Muszyc</i></li> <li>○ Regional antennae model – Slovakia, <i>Simona Radecka</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:15	<i>Coffee &amp; networking</i>
11:15 – 12:30	<b>Group Exercise 1 – The three elements of local Networking: Water, Fire, Earth</b>  Three parallel group discussions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>WATER – FLOW:</b> how the flow of information/communication works from the centre to the periphery? Are local stakeholders feeling informed and heard?</li> <li>- <b>FIRE – INSPIRATION:</b> How to inspire/motivate local stakeholders? How do they organise their activities across the 7 core NRN tasks?</li> <li>- <b>EARTH – EMPOWERMENT:</b> what should be done to make local stakeholders and intermediate organisations more empowered in delivering against the 7 NRN tasks? Are they autonomous enough?</li> </ul>

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12:30 -13:00	Feedback session from the three parallel discussions: - <b><i>Do we need more Water, Fire or Earth?</i></b>
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Networking lunch</i>
<b>14:00 – 17:00</b>	<b>Delivering rural development policy at local level: from challenges to improvements</b>
14:00 – 14:30	- Setting the scene: rapid fire question and answer session
14:30 – 15:45	<b>Group Exercise 2 – “The Matrix is everywhere. It is all around us”</b>  To identify the main elements of local/regional networking that make the 7 NRN tasks `work`. Work to be structured based on a Matrix structure designed to analyse it ( <i>to be presented at the event</i> )
15:45 – 16:00	<i>Coffee &amp; networking</i>
16:00 – 16:20	Feedback session from the buzz group discussion: - <b><i>What does the Matrix tell us?</i></b>
16:20 – 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q&amp;A</li> <li>• Presentation of future activities – <i>Riccardo Passero, Italian NRN</i></li> <li>• Update: 7<sup>th</sup> NRN Meeting in Finland – <i>Lauri Hyttinen, Finnish NRN</i></li> <li>• Conclusion and final remarks.</li> </ul>