

LEADER Thematic Lab 'Working with Smart Villages' Agenda

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Background

The LEADER Thematic Lab on "Working with Smart Villages" will involve 30 LEADER stakeholders in exploring, discussing and sharing practical experience and approaches and developing practical suggestions for how LEADER can work most effectively with Smart Villages including associated support needs.

Objectives

The thematic lab aims to identify specific information needs, implementation issues and challenges, success factors and solutions, and the support needs, lessons and considerations for the next programming period. During the thematic lab, the focus is on identifying the elements of an enabling LEADER framework for informing and supporting LAGs work with smart villages, identifying success factors and lessons learnt in this programming period and how these could be applied in the future CAP Plans.

Timing	Agenda item
08:30-09:00	Registration
09:00-10:00	Opening plenary – setting the scene
	- Welcome, "zooming in", introduction to the day (ENRD CP)
	- Key issues and lessons learnt from the ENRD Thematic Group on Smart Villages (ENRD CP)
	- Key considerations from the Commission perspective (DG AGRI)
	- Good practices and lessons learnt through LEADER (2-3 LAGs from different EU MSs)
	- Q&A
10:00-10:30	Coffee
10:30-12:15	Thematic Lab discussion sessions – Round 1





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	Identifying the barriers and key issues regarding LEADER support to smart village initiatives
	- Group discussions in three groups
12:15-13:15	Lunch
13:15-15:00	Thematic Lab discussion sessions – Round 2 Identifying the success factors and how these can be maintained under the CAP Plan framework in the next programming period - Introduction to the group discussions, formation of groups - Group discussions in three groups
15:00-15:30	Coffee
15:30-16:30	 Closing plenary Summaries and reflections on the group work Discussion (including how to communicate LEADER work with Smart Villages) Next steps

