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Transnational Cooperation: state of play  
and ENRD support tools

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The evolution of LEADER – 1991 to 2011

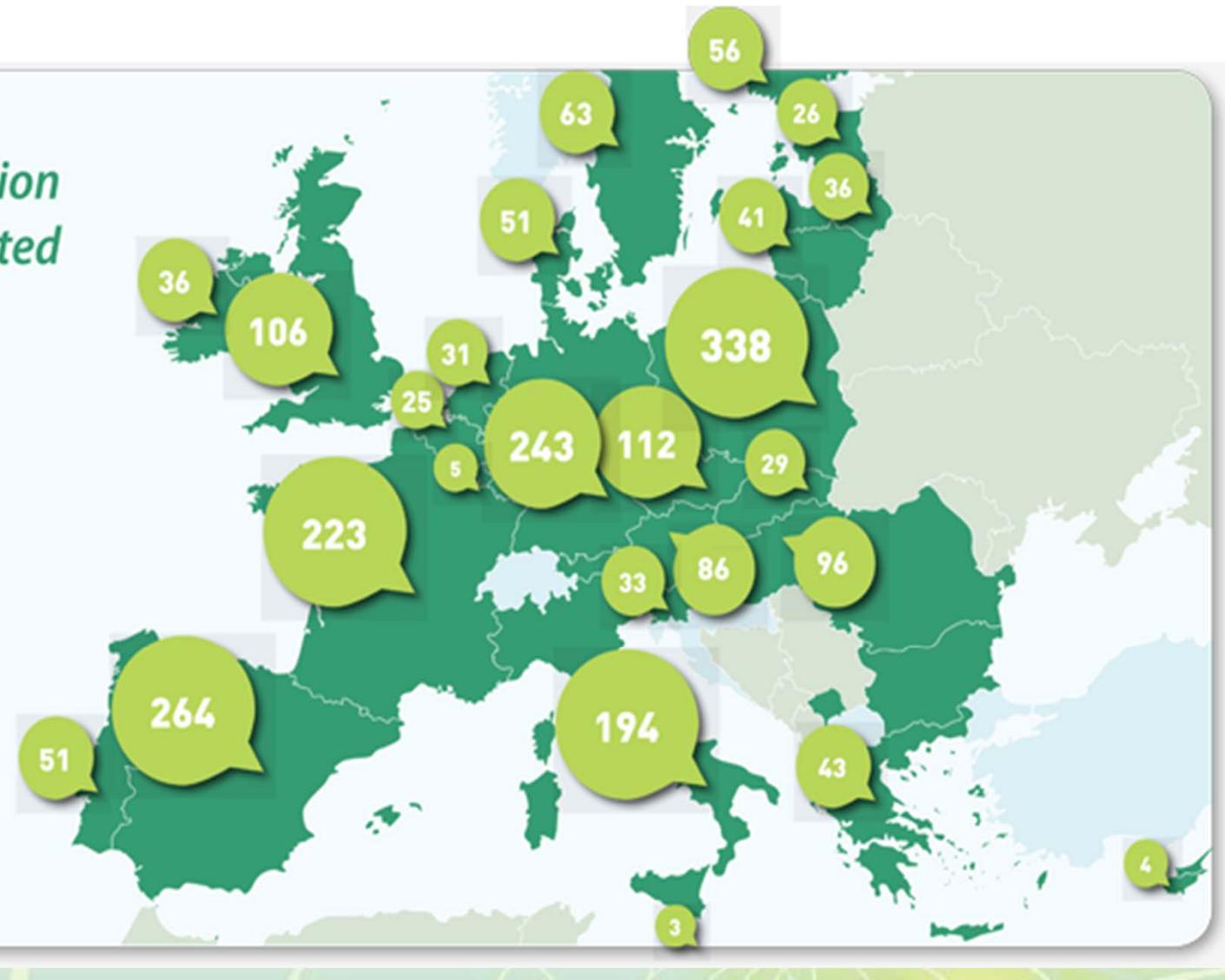


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## Total number of LAGs selected

*Number of Local Action Groups (LAGs) selected per Member States as of June 2011*





**278 M€: EAFRD budget for  
cooperation EU**

**Highest budget for cooperation**

- 1. Italy – 45.7 M€**
- 2. Spain – 33.8 M€**
- 3. Germany 30.2 M€**



**598 TOTAL PROJECTS  
APPROVED IN 2010**



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## Total Number of notified TNC projects 89 per MS (lead partners)

*Number of notified  
transnational cooperation  
projects per Member States  
(coordinating LAG per MS)  
as of June 2011*



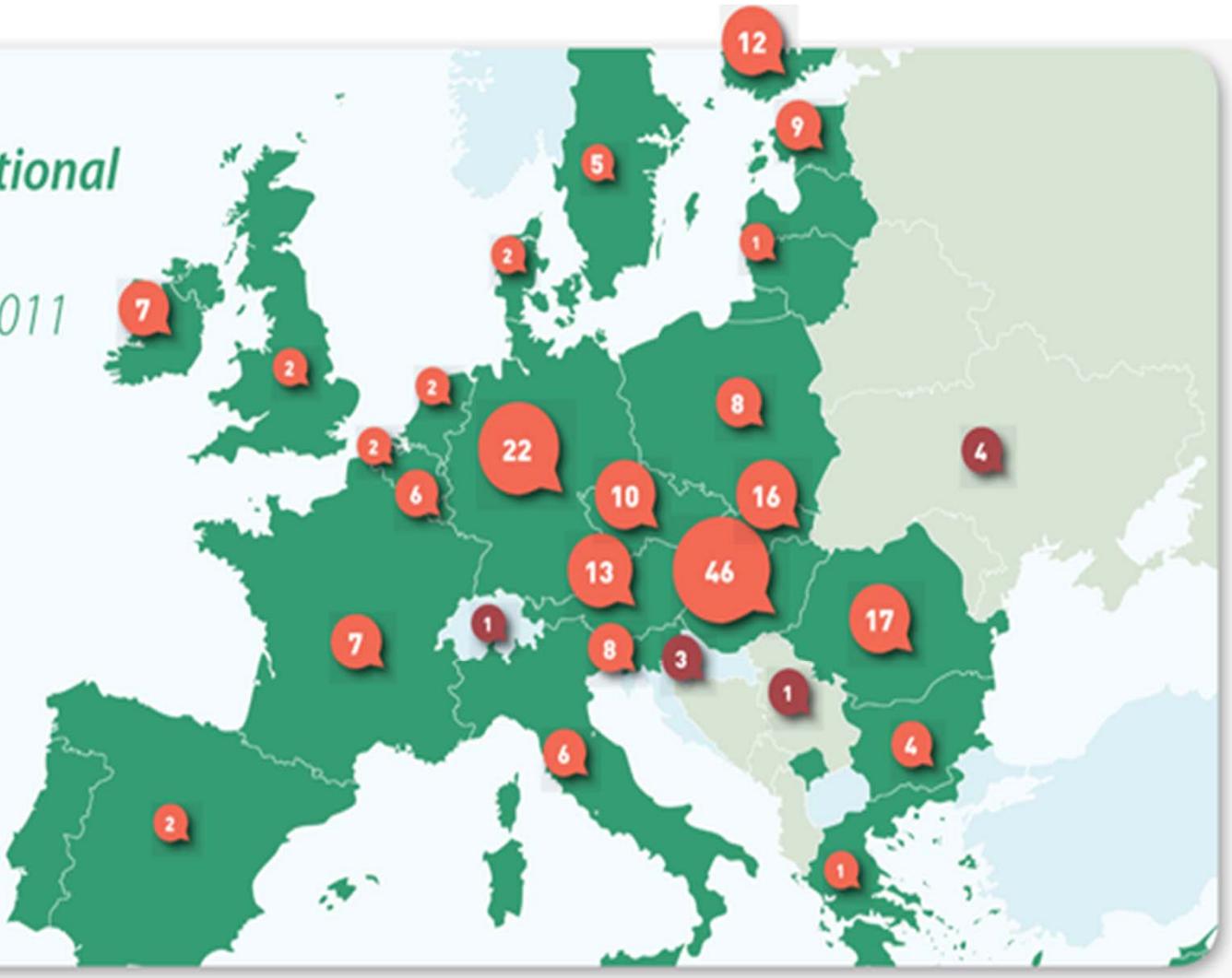
Origin of project partners: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Slovenia, Slovakia, United Kingdom, and Croatia, Serbia, Ukraine



# Country participation in TNC projects

## *Participation in transnational cooperation projects per country as of June 2011*

(based on the number of projects notified to the European Commission)





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### Introduction



Leader ('Liaison Entre Actions de Développement de l'Économie Rurale', meaning 'Links between the rural economy and development actions'), is an approach used by [Local Action Groups](#) (LAGs) to implement and finance their local development strategies. These strategies are designed to promote public-private sector partnerships, using a multi-sectoral, bottom-up approach that encourages local cooperation and networking.

The **Leader** approach forms one of the four axes of Rural Development Policy 2007–2013. It takes account of the three thematic axes which form the core objectives of the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD). Leader is a required element of the RDPs for the 2007-2013 programming period. The total budget for the Leader axis is EUR 13.788 billion, of which the EAFRD contribution is EUR 5.4 billion, with the remainder made up of public and private contributions. For more details see the [The Leader Approach - A basic guide](#) [PDF [en](#)]

### LAG Database

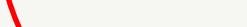
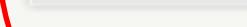
A database of registered LAGs is available including a summary of their strategy themes and contact details. [Click here to visit the EU wide LAG database](#).

### Transnational Cooperation

- A Transnational Cooperation (TNC) Guide is available which provides practical information about approaches to cooperation [Click here](#)
- In addition, the Administrative Guide aims to provide help to Member States and LAGs to implement the cooperation measure under the Leader Axis of Rural Development Programmes 2007-2013. [PDF [en](#)]
- A regularly updated database of Cooperation Offers under the Leader programme: [click here to use our search database](#).

### Archives:

- Information and documentation on the **Leader+** Community initiative (2000-2006). Visit the archived website: [http://enrd.ec.europa.eu/leader/leader-plus/en/leader-plus\\_home\\_en.cfm](http://enrd.ec.europa.eu/leader/leader-plus/en/leader-plus_home_en.cfm)
- Information and documentation on the **Leader II** Community initiative (1994-1999). Visit the archived website: [http://enrd.ec.europa.eu/leader/leader-ii/en/leader-ii\\_home\\_en.cfm](http://enrd.ec.europa.eu/leader/leader-ii/en/leader-ii_home_en.cfm)



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The LEADER Transnational Cooperation Guide is intended to provide an effective cooperation tool tailored to the needs of the current 2007-2013 programming period and distilled and re-packaged a range of relevant TNC information focusing on two core aims:

- to clarify what cooperation is and the benefits it can bring, and
- to present a comprehensive step by step guide to TNC, that clearly explains concepts linked to planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of cooperation projects

Updates will also aim to reflect the information needs of readers and so please send any suggestions for new and useful material, or general feedback on the guide, to [cooperation@enrd.eu](mailto:cooperation@enrd.eu). Your comments are warmly welcomed!

### QUICK VIEW

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**Leader Cooperation Offers**

Here you can find lists of project ideas for which project promoters are seeking to identify additional partners. Parties interested in joining a cooperation project are invited to carefully review the list and contact the project promoter directly. We wish you every success with your partnership development efforts.

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### Edit cooperation offer

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LOCAL ACTION GROUP:

PROJECT TITLE: Vers un impôt européen unique?

CATEGORY: **12 items selected** [Remove all](#) [Add all](#)

Agriculture	-	Economy	+
Community development	-	Forestry	+
Culture	-		
Demography, social issues	-		
Education	-		
Leisure	-		

SUMMARY OF PROJECT IDEA:  
Maximum 800 characters

LOCAL CONTEXT IN WHICH THE PROJECT IS GOING TO OPERATE (STARTING SITUATION):  
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PROJECT OBJECTIVES, TARGET GROUP AND ACTIVITIES:  
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## Ideas for future Transnational Cooperation support

**Upgrade existing and develop new TNC support tools**

- Geographical map of LAGs
- Upgrade LAG and Co-operation Offer databases
- Develop TNC-approved project database



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