

Friday 9th November Morning

9h00-12h30 Cooperation workshops **and/or** cooperation fair

Several workshops to choose from (9h00 – 11h00)

Methodological workshops

M1 : Improve support to cooperation at regional level

How to support rural areas in the development of their cooperation project? Which tools? At which level of the project? Which support leads to the best results? Which good practices can be exchanged?

M2 : Cooperation questions? Answers!

Cooperation procedure, eligibility of expenses, role of the different actors, rules to cooperate with countries located outside EU...

M3 : Cooperation around Europe: the way cooperation works in Member States

30 minutes session per country in 2 different rooms

Thematic workshops

T1 : Cooperation and agriculture

Structuring agriculture channels, valorise local agriculture products, short circuits – Illustration through 3 tangible projects

T2 : How to make cooperation a tool for the development of a local area?

Reinforce territorial marketing and the new attractiveness of local areas, transform inhabitants in ambassadors of their area, change the image of rural areas, revalorise industrial heritage – Illustration through 3 tangible projects

T3 : Cooperation and energetic transition

Which tangible projects? Renewable energies, eco-building, eco-material: how cooperation contributes to reach new environmental objectives in rural areas?

Or Cooperation fair (9h00 – 12h30)

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Meeting with already identified partners

● Thematic speed-dating

30 minutes sessions, exchange around cooperation ideas on several themes.
Proposed themes: short circuits, sustainable tourism...

● Country stands: discover potential partners

Each country will have its own stand with documentation (map of the LAGs, cooperation offers...)

● Cooperation ads corner: display of all cooperation ads, both French and from other European countries

Friday 9th November Afternoon

12h30 Lunch

13h45 Plenary session: “You have a message...”

Message from LAGs: testimony “on the spot” from participants – What the event has brought and which are the follow-up actions to be undertaken?

Message to LAGs: conclusions

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16h00 The end of seminar



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Cooperation, onwards and upwards!



MONTBRISON (in the Rhône-Alpes Region)

8th and 9th November 2012



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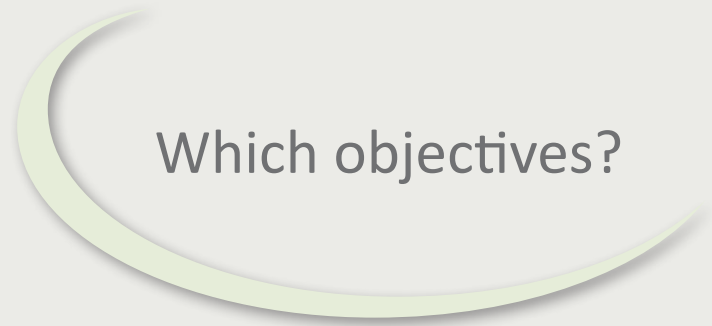


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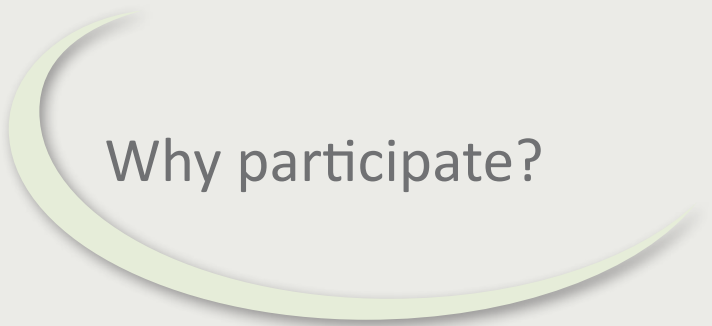
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Which objectives?

- Mobilise around cooperation:** LAGs, elected representatives, co-financers, demonstrate which added value cooperation can have on the LAG’s local development strategy and its spin-offs on the ground; show the advantages of cooperation and the different types of projects which can arise.
- Inject some dynamism in cooperation:** valorise on-going projects, raise awareness amongst LAGs not yet involved in cooperation projects, identify European partners and seek initiatives led elsewhere.
- Bring technical answers for today and for tomorrow,** improve the assistance on methodology provided by the regional networks.
- Understand and prepare the future cooperation challenges for the 2014-2020 programming period.**



Why participate?

- You are newcomer to cooperation,** you wish to get started but do not know where to start? The thematic or methodological workshops and the thematic tables will help you to identify a cooperation idea and to go through the first steps of a cooperation project.
- You have a cooperation idea** and you do not have any partner yet. The country focusses, the cooperation rendezvous, the stands, the thematic speed-dating sessions will be many occasions where you will be able to identify French and/or European partners.
- You already have an on-going cooperation project:** you will be able to put it forward during the workshops, to meet European partners and to understand the stakes of the next programming period.



Thursday 8th November Morning

9h00	Welcoming of participants
9h30	Welcome speech
10h00	Presentation of the organisation of the 2 days event <i>Workshops, thematic tables, cooperation rendezvous, round tables... we explain it all!</i>
10h10-10h45	Plenary session – Leader cooperation: what is the state of the art? <i>Broadcast of the movie ‘They had an appointment... with cooperation – 3 French LAGs in Brussels’ (French version) European overview of European and national Leader cooperation: number of projects, favourite partners of French LAGs, themes for cooperation...</i>
11h00-12h45	Cooperation workshops (as you prefer)
Methodological workshops	
M1 : Start a cooperation project and identify the ideal partner: first steps <i>I wish to initiate a cooperation project, how should I proceed? Which are the first steps to be undertaken? How to define my cooperation idea? How can I identify relevant partners and move from idea to project?</i>	
M2: How to define a common cooperation action? <i>How to move from exchange to the definition of a common action? How to work with the partners? Which possible common actions?</i>	
M3: Cooperation around Europe: How cooperation works in other Member States <i>30 minutes presentation per country in 2 different rooms</i>	
Thematic workshops	
T1: Cooperation as a support to local economic development <i>Modernization of local know-how and access to new markets, proximity economy, development of new economic sectors, urban-rural links – Illustration through 3 tangible projects</i>	
T2: Can cooperation contribute to social inclusion and to fighting against discrimination? <i>Insertion of people facing difficulties, taking into account of handicap, support to women entrepreneurship, intergenerational actions, medical diversification, active ageing, health: which social innovations? - Illustration through 3 tangible projects</i>	
T3 : Youth and cooperation <i>Attract young people in rural areas, support to young people in activity development, implementation of actions targeting young people... How is the issue of youth triggered by cooperation, how to contribute to European citizenship in rural areas? – Illustration through 3 tangible projects</i>	
13h00	Buffet lunch

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14h00-16h45	Cooperation fair and/or field visits
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Or field visits: discover projects (14h00 – 17h00)	
14h00-15h00 / 15h00-16h00 / 16h00-17h00	Mobile waste disposal devices (3 visit possibilities)
14h00-16h00	Field visit n°1: company producing essential oils using local resources and labeled “organic farming”
	Field visit n°2: Garden of Cocagne bringing together insertion, eco-housing and organic farming
17h00–18h45	Round tables ‘Exchange of views on cooperation today and tomorrow’
Cooperation, a simple option or a strategic option for rural areas: the voice of actors <i>Is cooperation a necessary strategic investment for rural areas? Under which conditions? How to articulate different types of cooperation? How to facilitate the involvement of rural areas in cooperation in the next programming period?</i>	
Cooperation, a simple option or a strategic option for rural areas: answers to better prepare tomorrow <i>While the future cohesion policy leaves a greater space for cooperation, what happens with Leader cooperation? What are the perspectives for the 2014-2020 period?</i>	
20h00	Dinner and “Cooperation” evening