

ENRD Workshop

Improving LEADER Implementation: Making progress with Practitioner Led Working Groups

Agenda

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Background

This seminar will involve LEADER practitioners including LAGs, Managing Authorities and National Rural Networks. The session will focus on the work of the two Practitioner Led Working Groups which were established to contribute to improving the different aspects of the implementation of LEADER. The themes which the groups address are LEADER cooperation and LEADER innovation. Both groups are exploring different ways in which LAGs and other actors can strengthen and improve LEADER implementation at local, regional, national and EU levels.

Objectives

The main aim of this workshop is to further progress this work on improving LEADER implementation through the two PWGs and to explore how the use of the PWG method may be strengthened. The workshop sessions will update participants on progress so far, build on the work to date and focus on developing practical actions and recommendations for improvements. The intention is that this event will contribute to the ongoing work of both PWGs, launching the next stage of the Innovation PWG, identifying common ground and drawing lessons for improvements from the work of both groups. The workshop will contribute to the preparation of the ongoing development plans which guide the work of the groups.

Timing 	Agenda item 
09.15 – 09.45	Registration of participants
09.45 – 10.30	<p>Welcome and introductory remarks <i>by DG AGRI and the ENRD CP</i></p> <p>Purpose and structure of the day, <i>ENRD CP</i></p> <p>LEADER Cooperation – <i>state of play – summary of progress and participation</i></p> <p>LEADER Innovation – <i>work to date and emerging thoughts</i></p> <p>LEADER Update – <i>progress and emerging issues</i></p>
10.30 – 12.00	<p>Parallel Topic Workshops Round 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEADER Cooperation – Workshop ‘A’: drawing on the work to date and digging deeper, developing feasible solutions to practical implementation issues brought forward by PWG members. • LEADER Innovation – Workshop ‘B’: based on the core group work an initial inventory of ‘smart’ ways to enable greater innovation in LEADER will be drawn up as a basis for practical and more detailed proposals for improving innovation.
12.00 – 13.00	<i>Lunch</i>
13.00 – 14.30	<p>Parallel Topic Workshops Round 2 <i>Participants encouraged to switch groups.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEADER Cooperation – Workshop ‘B’: <i>Feedback from round 1 followed by continuation of the discussion.</i> • LEADER Innovation – Workshop ‘A’: <i>Feedback from round 1 followed by continuation of the discussion.</i>
14.30 – 15.00	<i>Coffee</i>

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15.00 – 16.00	Workshop - ‘Making the most of the PWG method’ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>What have we learned from the PWG way of working? CP and PWG Members</i> • <i>What other LEADER topics is it applicable to?</i> • <i>How can the approach be improved, how can its relevance be widened?</i>
16.00 – 16.30	Reporting Back: <i>PWG proposals, lessons learnt, concluding discussions, next steps and action points.</i>
16.30	<i>End of event</i>