



European Network for
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Update on the ENRD Contact Point activities for 2019

5th Rural Networks' Assembly

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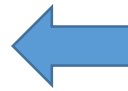
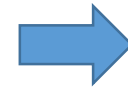
Capacity building and peer exchange

1. More effective and simpler programme implementation
2. Strengthening NRNs and NSUs
3. Simpler and more effective CLLD



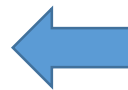
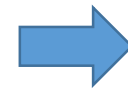
Thematic topics

4. Smart and competitive rural areas
5. Supporting the transition to the green economy in rural areas
6. Promoting social inclusion in rural areas and complementary thematic activities



Cross-cutting activities

RDP Analysis
Good practices
Communication
Network Coordination



P1 - Support to more effective and simpler programme implementation

Events primarily targeted at MAs and PAs – Topics primarily related to the **new delivery model**

- Workshop on 'Risk Management' Feb/March (TBC)
- Workshop on 'Improving farm performance April/May (TBC)
- Possible 2nd event on CAP Strategic plans (TBC)
- Possible further workshop(s) Sept/Dec (TBC)

New topics of time-bound importance to MAs and PA's and from the EC's perspective may be identified during the course of the year, and events organised accordingly

Three EU-wide NRN meetings

Ireland 21 Feb, Romania early June, Location TBC, Sept/Oct

networX – Inspiring Rural Europe (11-12 April 2019)

Networking
for Policy

Networking
for innovation

NRNs in
action

Building a
network

Networking
with LEADER/
CLLD

Stakeholder
engagement



Working more closely with Agricultural, Environmental, Territorial, and Social organisations



Peer-to-peer exchanges & Multi-speed clusters



Rural Inspiration Award, (**networX** event, April)

Engagement strengthened through NRN Events, June and Oct/Nov (both TBC)

NRN toolkit / CNS / NRN Profiles and Screening



Focus on Improving and Demonstrating the
Achievements of LEADER

More engagement with **all the delivery chain actors** = smarter outcomes

LEADER related events

- LEADER / CLLD Subgroup meeting, 31 Jan
- ‘Simplification and Simplified cost options’, May (TBC)
- Further event, Oct/Nov (TBC)

Exchange of LAG Survey Results / LAG DB / Partner Search Tool / Web resources / Support to non-ENRD events

P4 – Thematic Group on Smart Villages (to July 2019)

Bringing together both the economic and service aspects of Smart Villages

PROOFING POLICY INSTRUMENTS

How existing policy instruments and funds (both EAFRD and others) can be used in a more integrated way for Smart Villages, including those relevant for digital innovation.

PRACTICAL ORIENTATIONS

- For policy implementers on how to design Smart Villages strategies
- How specific EAFRD instruments can support Smart Villages both now and in the future

Jan-July: 2 further TG meetings, web-portal,
case studies and briefing documents

P5 – Thematic Group ‘Mainstreaming the bioeconomy’ (to July 2019) + Biodiversity workshop

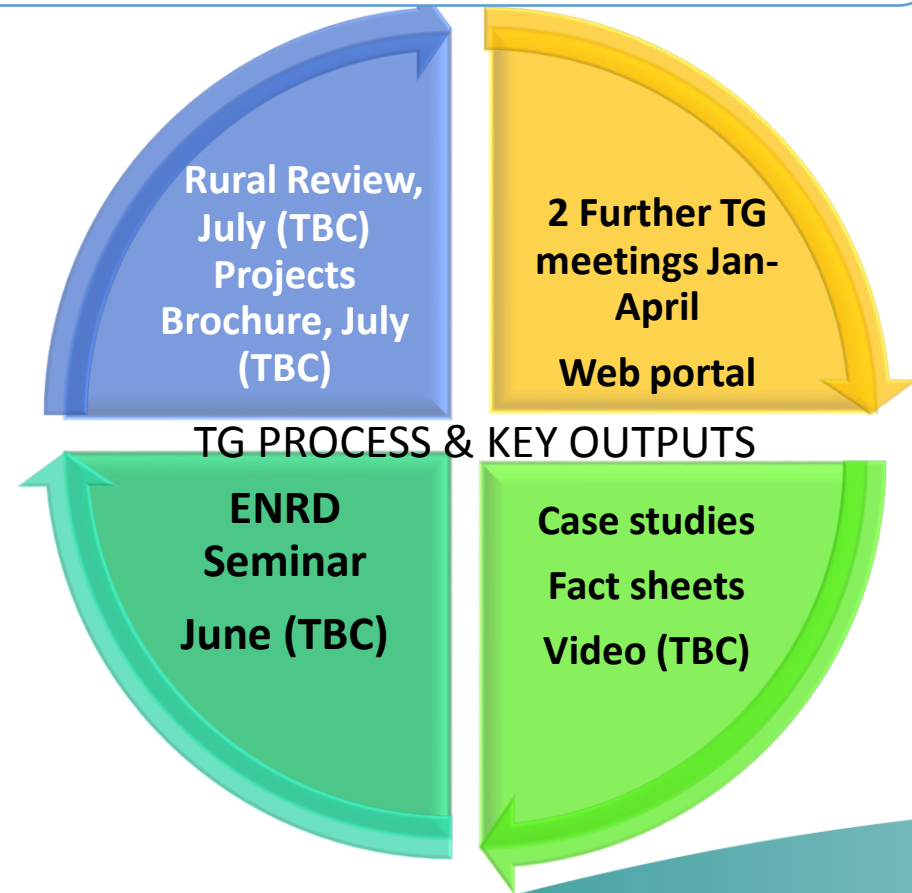
Exploring:

- the synergies between policy instruments
- developing territorial and local approaches and attracting investment
- better communication and engagement of different stakeholders

Recommendations on how the **design of RD interventions** could be improved to encourage and support the **growth of a sustainable bio-economy in rural areas.**



Workshop on **Biodiversity** 29 Jan



P6 – Social inclusion and complementary thematic activities

Generational renewal and making rural areas attractive for young people

- Analyses of access to land, finance and knowledge
- Exploring how MS are facilitating generational renewal and making rural areas more attractive for young people

Complementary thematic activities Focus on Combatting Rural Depopulation

- Depending on needs identified and resources, further topics can be considered

Workshops:

- Generational Renewal 22 Feb
- Combatting rural depopulation, May (TBC)



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ENRD Communications

Website

The Most Important Communications Channel

- continuously updated and enhanced -

Social media & communication methods

- Further develop social media channels
- More audio/video material
- **Improve timeliness** - short extracts from forthcoming publications and other communications

And not forgetting ENRD Publications...

12 Monthly Newsletters / 2 Rural Connections / 2 EU Rural Reviews (first on Networking) / 2 Project brochures (first on Youth)

