

**European Rural Networks'
Assembly**

Taking Cork 2.0 forward:
Proposals from the Steering Group *(EU organisations, Agricultural
Research Organisations and Agricultural Advisory Service Providers)*

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Examples of Current activities that contribute to Cork 2.0

- ELARD: Estonia, conference on the future of CLLD 2020-2027, 21-23 November 2016
- PREPARE, ELARD, ERCA: upcoming European Rural Parliament, in The Netherlands in 18-21 October 2017, national rural parliaments
- Joint event Copa Cogeca, CEJA, CEPF in March 2017 – Think BIG (bioeconomy, investments and innovations, generational renewal)
- Copa Cogeca - 35 sectoral and horizontal working groups on various themes linked to Cork 2.0, incl. digitisation, big data, ANC, Risk Management and a cooperative business forum
- Euromontana - ongoing work on Supply Chains and on Quality Systems in mountain areas, sectoral working groups, e.g. on digitisation
- work in Finland and Latvia on Entrepreneurship
- developing an Innovation Support Service in Scotland



Ideas for the future which can build on the Cork 2.0 Declaration

- better links between farmers and consumers along food chain
- need to assess rural development in terms of its contribution to reducing climate change
- simplification of multifunding, better coordination between funds on all levels, real multifunding
- reduction of „burreaucrazy“
- more involvement of businesses in RD
- better knowledge transfer
- improve the way networking is coordinated by transforming networking events such as the General Asembly into a real opportunity to discuss and share practical ideas



Ideas for the future which can build on the Cork 2.0 Declaration

- rural proofing, addressing needs of rural people
- building trust between EU and citizens, between EU, MAs and stakeholders
- rural-urban links



Ideas for the future which can build on the Cork 2.0 Declaration

- “We view that the Cork 2.0 be followed by fuller consultation with the participation of civil society about future policies for rural development, both narrow, EAFRD funds, and broader Structural Funds and rural proofing. This should include focus on the needs of millions of small farmers, socially excluded people and ethnic minorities. People from Western Balkans and other EU neighboring countries affected by EU policies should be enabled to take part. We are greatly concerned that separate processes already in hand, appear to threaten future funding and staff for rural development. The preoccupation of European Institutions with the EU multiple crisis should not deflect them from addressing the needs of rural people. ELARD, ERCA, PREPARE and our wide network of national partners in the European Rural Parliament will continue to express the voice and to stimulate the positive action of rural people as we move towards policies for 2020 onwards. We seek to connect and build trust between the EU and citizens. We urge the European Institutions to do the same.” (ELARD, PREPARE, ERCA)



Why real multi-fund approach needed ?

2007-13



2014-20

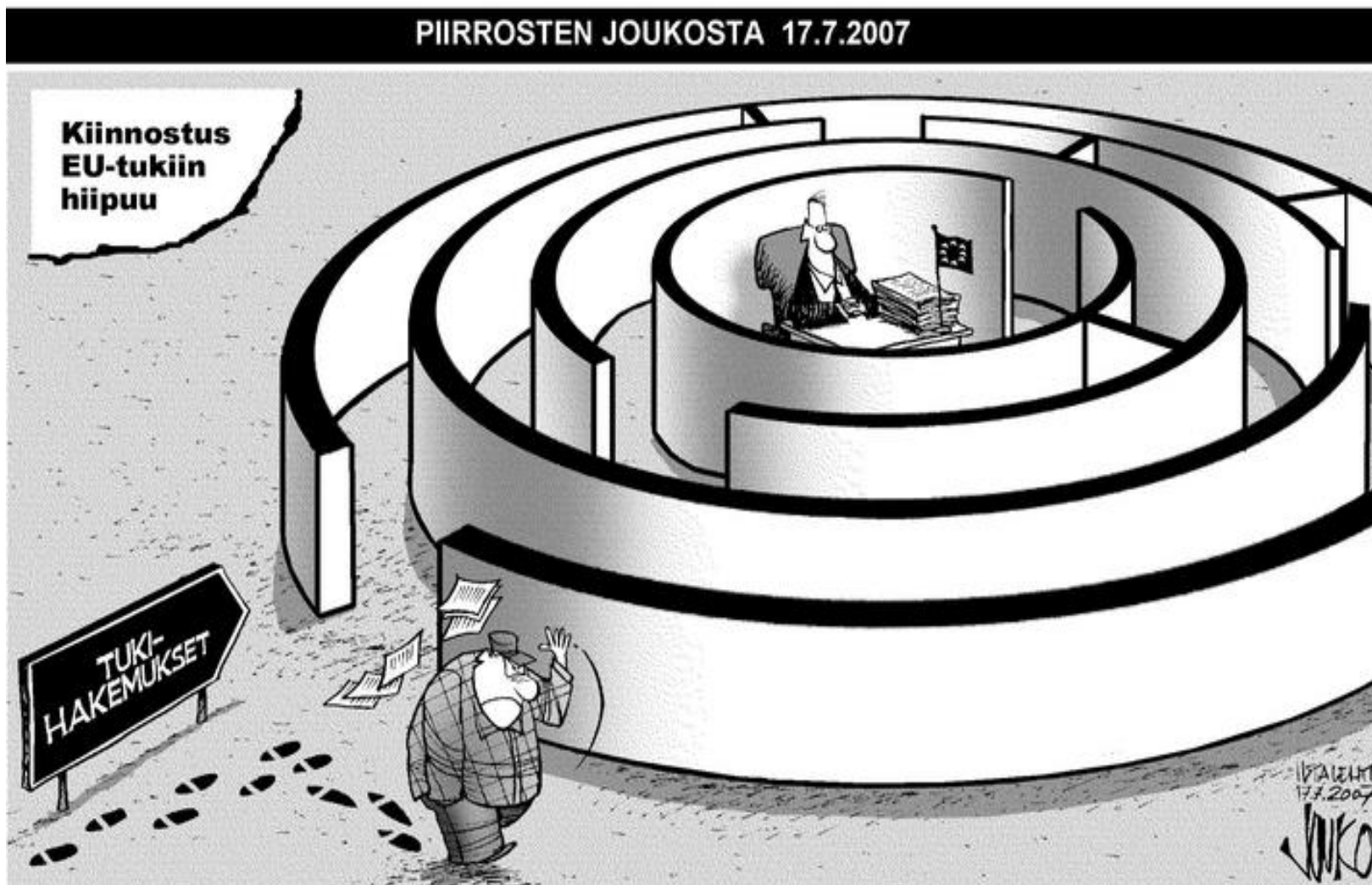




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„BUREAUCRAZY“

PIIRROSTEN JOUKOSTA 17.7.2007



If you want to go fast, go alone,

If you want to go far, go together...

(African proverb)

**MANY THANKS
FOR YOUR
ATTENTION!**



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