

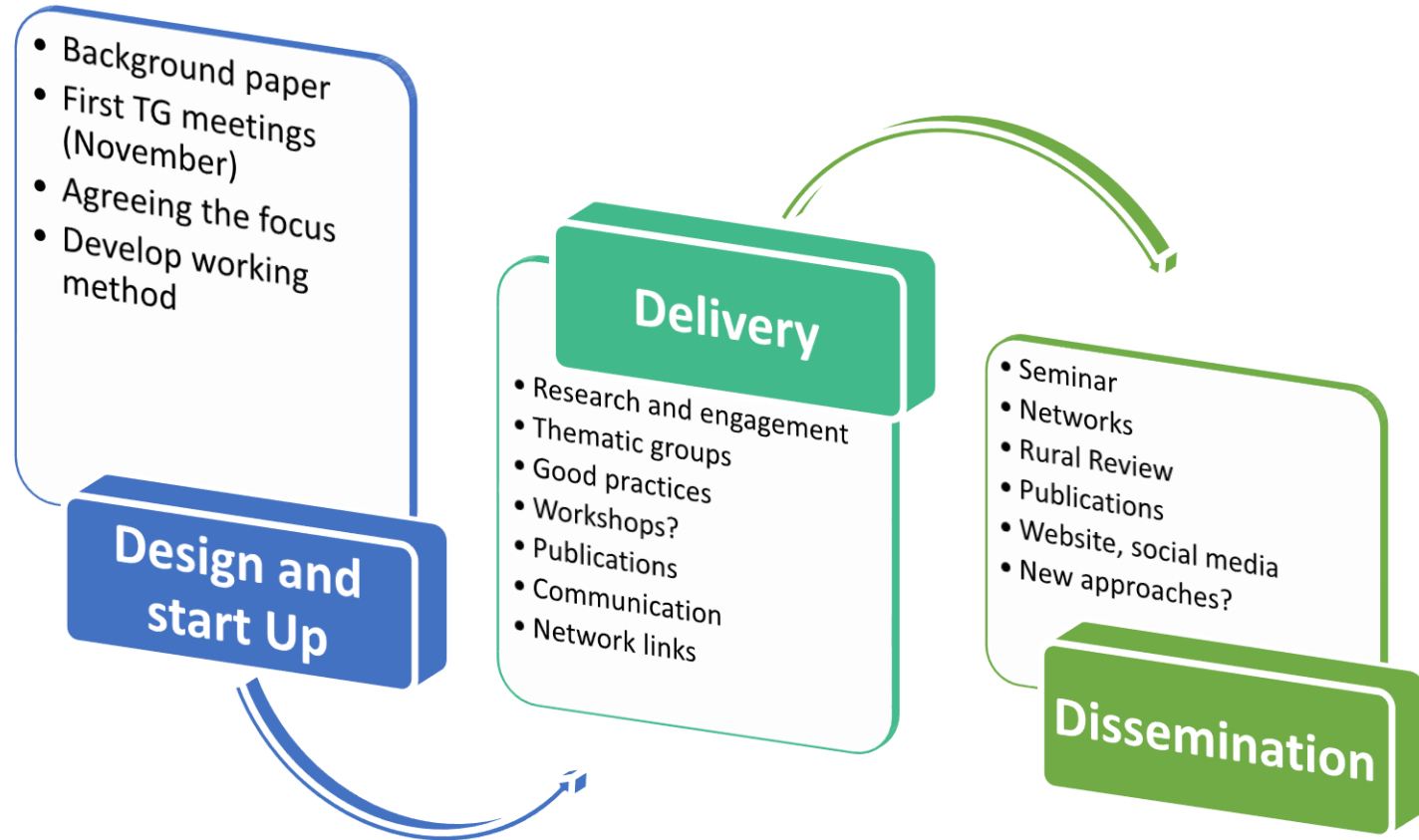
# Smart and Competitive Rural Areas Thematic Group

## Developing Topics

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# Roadmap



# FIVE STEPS OF ENRD THEMATIC GROUPS

Findings of  
previous projects



1. Mapping needs and  
challenges



Opportunities for further  
network activity are  
identified (TG)



RDP analysis



2. Identifying RD policy  
tools and approaches



Overview of promising RD  
tools and approaches +  
national and regional  
examples



Good practices  
Case studies



3. Showcasing  
promising examples



Case studies show  
conditions for success +  
potential obstacles



Activities of NRNS



4. Designing network  
support activities



Shared examples of  
networking tools which  
can support transfer

5. Dissemination–Review –Report- Seminar–WS–networking

# KEY QUESTIONS

## 1. Mapping needs and challenges

- What are the main lessons from previous projects?
- What are the gaps and opportunities for work by EU Networks?

## 2 Identifying RD policy tools and approaches

- What are the main strategies, focus areas, measures, approaches?
- What countries and regions are exploring interesting approaches?

## 3. Showcasing promising examples

- What are the main lessons, conditions for success and obstacles?
- What type of support is needed to extend this kind of practice?

## 4. Designing network support activities

- Where can networking contribute to developing and delivering the appropriate tools?
- What support can be given to help develop these tools ?

## 5. Dissemination

- Messages, recommendations, practical guidelines, examples?
- What methods of communication are preferred?