

Introduction to the 3rd Thematic Group Meeting on Stakeholder Involvement

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3rd TG Meeting

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The focus of ENRD's work during Year 1 (until July 2015)

'Integrated work packages' on:

- Stakeholder involvement
- Improvement of RDP quality
- LEADER/CLLD





Context of the TG's work

Common objective of the ENRD & NRNs:

'Increasing the involvement of stakeholders in the implementation of rural development'

Specific objectives of the TG

- Identify the main themes and issues where stakeholder involvement can improve rural development policy
- Identify useful methods, tools and approaches on effective stakeholder involvement
- Identify areas where networking can improve stakeholder involvement in rural development policy formulation and implementation

Key stages in thematic group work

•Workshop 1 on better

networking'

Presentation of Thematic Group concept

26 January 2015

1st TG Meeting 12 Feb 2015

- Brussels & online
- •Identifying themes & planning of the 1st ENRD Seminar

•ENRD Seminar in Brussels

 Examples & exchange on useful stakeholder involvement practices

1st ENRD Seminar on 'Stakeholder involvement'

26 March 2015

2nd TG Meeting 27 March 2015

- Brussels
- Discussion on Seminar outcomes and next steps

•Discussion on main themes & TG report content

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Final TG Report July 2015

•Including TG findings & recommendation

Purpose of the 3rd TG meeting

- To discuss some of the ideas presented in the working draft of the final TG report;
- To identify and develop further key
 recommendations for: (1) European and national
 rural networks, (2) MAs, (3) stakeholder
 organisations;
- To discuss what the most useful format of the final report would be, as well as possible ways of dissemination of its results.

Focus on two key areas

- Formal channels for stakeholder involvement:
 - ✓ Monitoring Committees & NRNs
 - ✓ Making different voices heard
- Informal channels/ stakeholder involvement in improving the quality of RDP:
 - √ Theme/measure oriented cooperation
 - ✓ Implementation procedures

Structure of the meeting

- Session 1: Networks as tools to channel stakeholder views into policy-making (Monitoring Committees/ making different voices heard...)
- Session 2: Networks as tools for improving the quality of RDPs: measures & implementation procedures
- Discussion about the possible use of the TG Report

Session 1 discussion

Stakeholders & civil society representatives Managing authorities Monitoring committee

1. What could we do to make partnership involvement/ MC work?

National rural networks and national support units

2. How to give a voice to different types of stakeholders/partners?

Session 2 Discussion

- 1. How can networks improve RDP quality through bringing together stakeholders on specific themes?
- 2. How can networks improve **implementation procedures** through stakeholder involvement/cooperation?