

**ENRD Seminar on
Stakeholder Involvement**

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Workshop 6

**How can NRNs
successfully bridge stakeholders
with policy-makers?**

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Networking as a tool for influencing rural development policy

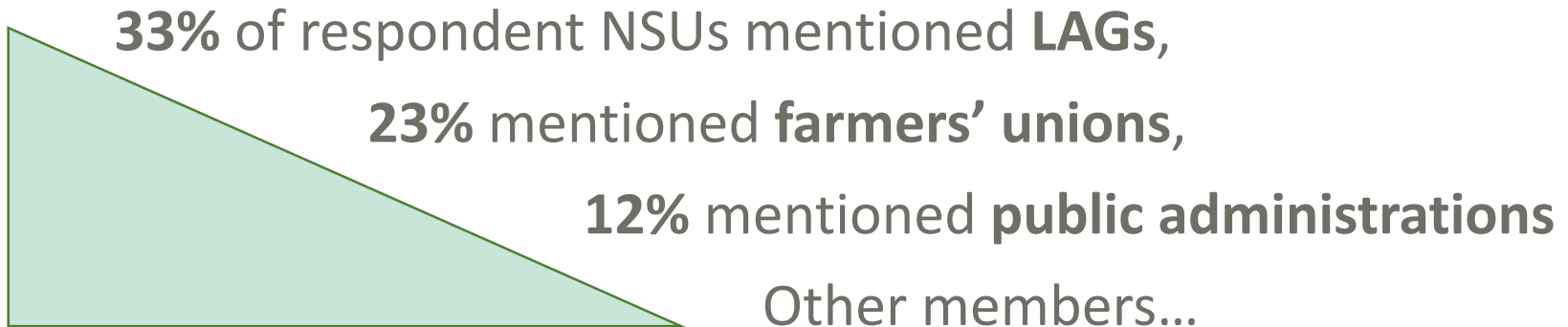
1. Which are the stakeholders that networks should work with in order to influence policy?
How to identify/engage them?



2. How did you bridge stakeholders and policy makers?

Identify & engage with stakeholders  **to influence policy**

Groups that NSUs work most with (ENRD survey, 2015):



What are the most **suitable methods/tools/processes** to **identify network members**, their needs?
...to work with a committed & representative membership.

Stakeholders

**NRN role of
BRIDGE**

Policy makers

INFORMING: one way



CONSULTING: inform and get feedback



INVOLVING: their concerns are considered



COLLABORATING: stakeholders as a partner;



EMPOWERING: stakeholders take the final decision.



How (through what methods and tools)
NSUs link stakeholders with policy makers?

Today's process

Presentations

1. Belgium
2. Sweden

Group discussions

Share your experience & discuss (35')
Identify main lessons learnt (10')

Conclusions

Feedback from the discussion groups
(3' per group)

Discussions:

How can NRNs successfully bridge stakeholders with policy-makers?

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How to identify/engage them?
 2. How to bridge stakeholders and policy makers?
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