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## NEWS

- ▶ Check out the Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development's new [portal dedicated to rural development 2014-2020 policies](#).

## NEW ONLINE

- ▶ The European Union's organic market is booming and the EU is developing an ambitious new framework for organic production and the labelling of organic products. For a complete overview of organic farming in the EU check out the new [EU Rural Review #18](#).
- ▶ Simplicity, complementarity, cooperation and consultation were identified as the key success factors for successful implementation of Rural Development Programmes (RDP) during the seminar organised by the ENRD on 29 January 2014. Final report, key conclusions and videos are now [available online](#).
- ▶ Spring is in the air in the latest edition of the [ENRD Magazine](#) ...so be sure to catch-up on all the latest news from the network, check out the insights into rural development communications and read all about an innovative Luxembourgish-German initiative to create the first ever transnational Local Action Group.
- ▶ Are you lost in the labyrinth of [new legislations and guidelines for the 2014-2020 programming period](#)? We've created a specific section to help you find your way out!

## EVENTS

▶ 2 June 2014: ['Connecting Rural Europe. Learning from the past, preparing for the future'](#) being held in Brussels, Belgium, will be a great opportunity for ENRD stakeholders to discuss the past six years of rural development networking and its achievements and to look ahead to the upcoming challenges during the 2014-2020 programming period.

▶ 3 June 2014: [LEADER Sub-committee meeting](#) and [Coordination Committee meeting](#), Brussels, Belgium.

▶ 15 - 18 June 2014: The Regional Studies Association European Conference 2014 on ['Diverse Regions: Building Resilient Communities and Territories'](#) will consider the need and nature of future research imperatives and address the concerns and challenges confronting policymakers and practitioners.

▶ 17 - 20 June 2014: Taking place in Spain, the ['Identity, Industry and Culture'](#) event will highlight the importance of European cultural routes in the development of a new kind of tourism, focused on industrial tourism and cultural industries.

▶ 26 June 2014: [The conference 'Rural Revitalisation'](#) organised in the United Kingdom will tackle the range of issues that face the future of rural towns and communities.

▶ 1 - 2 July 2014: [The Central Europe Annual Conference](#) will introduce future funding priorities and possibilities in Central Europe and discuss these with key decision-makers at regional, national and European levels.

▶ 4 - 5 July 2014: The Polish conference ['Youth in family agricultural holdings and in rural areas of Europe'](#) will focus on social and economic issues of rural populations, with a specific emphasis placed on rural youth.

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