

Name of Rural Network

Det Nationale Netværk
for Udvikling i
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Mission Statement and Strategic Objectives of the Rural Network

The objective of the National Rural Network (NRN) is the implementation of rural development programme and the provision of support for the sustainable development of fisheries areas.

Main focus and key objectives:

- Contribute to fulfill the objectives of the rural development programmes and the objective of the fisheries policy,
- Contribute to the assimilation of knowledge and best practice between the European (ENRD and FARNET), the national, the local and the regional networks involving LAGs and FLAGs.
- Strengthened the transnational cooperation and networks between local actors, different sectors and different regions,
- Promote dialogue between national, local and regional authorities on rural and fisheries sectors' development,
- Help the development of rural and fisheries areas through capacity building activities and trainings,
- Prevent the exclusion of remote areas.

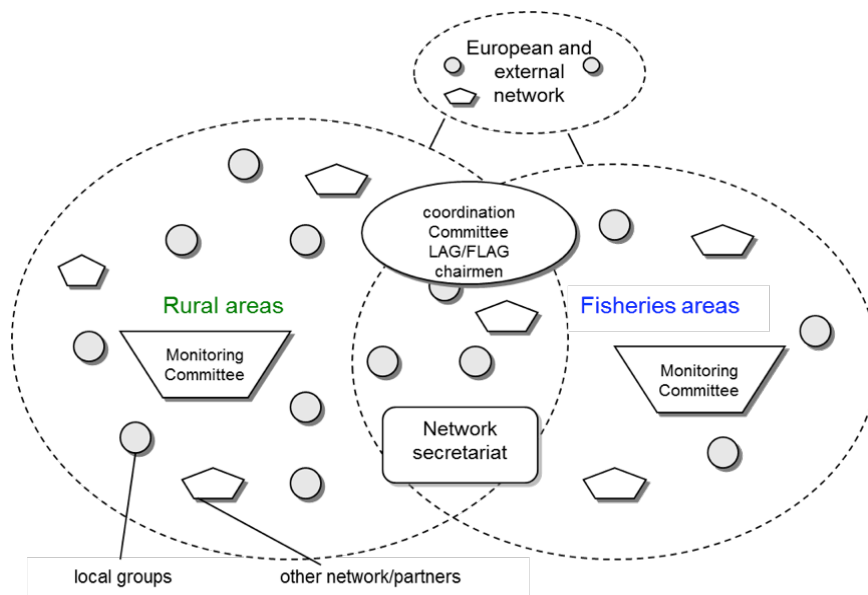
Participants in the Rural Network

- The objective of the National Rural Network (NRN) is the implementation of the rural development programme and the provision of support. The network has an informal open membership. Everyone (private person, association, organization, authority, enterprises, etc.) can take part in the network activities as long as they contribute to the implementation of the programme's objectives.

Network Structure

- The National Network Unit is established within the Ministry of Housing, Urban and Rural Affairs. The Ministry has the overall responsibility of the implementation of the LEADER axis (rural and fisheries areas). The Ministry of Food has the overall responsibility of the Rural development Programme as well as the Fisheries Development programme. The administration of support to local projects is delegated to The Danish AgriFish Agency.
- The NSU is not outsourced.
- In Denmark there are no regional NSUs.
- The NSU staff include five full time employees working with rural development and fisheries areas.

- Network structure (links between LAGs and other partners are omitted in the organogram):



Network Management

- The rural network is characterized by less formal decision-making processes. The annual priorities are decided in the ministry supported by the NSU after consultations of the LAGs.
- The NSU assists this decision-making processes by suggesting priorities and annual network's activities. The priorities are based on discussions with the LAGs and the coordination committee (national committee for LAG/FLAG chairmen). Minor activities (small budgets) are decided within the NSU. Bigger network activities (events and communication activities, annual meetings with the local groups, or activities involving the ministry/minister) must be approved by the MA's head of division.
- Decision-making processes flow chart:

