

Rural networking post-2013

Overview of the Commission's proposals

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Outline

- Background
- Enhanced networking approach
 - at EU level
 - at national level



Background

- building on current experience
- further development of the CAP:
- enhanced focus of the CAP instruments to achieve objectives: viable food production, sustainable management of natural resources and balanced territorial development => CAP contribution Europe 2020
- general alignment and enhanced coordination of EU spending policies towards the Europe 2020 goals of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth
- Delivering the Europe 2020 vision requires involvement of all stakeholders at EU, national, regional and local level



Networking as a policy tool

- Allows to involve stakeholders on an on going basis
 - Engaging all stakeholders and actors in the policy
 - By developing and sharing knowledge, exchanging experience and promoting cooperation
 - ‘Connecting rural Europe’ => creating a community of RD practitioners



more participative governance

- Can inform the broader public on the benefits of RD policy
 - Rural stories, project examples, rural urban linkages
 - What the countryside has to offer, value for tax payer’s money



legitimacy of public policy



An enhanced networking approach

- **The generalist network: ENRD**
- **Two specialist networks: EIP and EEN**
- **Reinforced roles of NRNs**

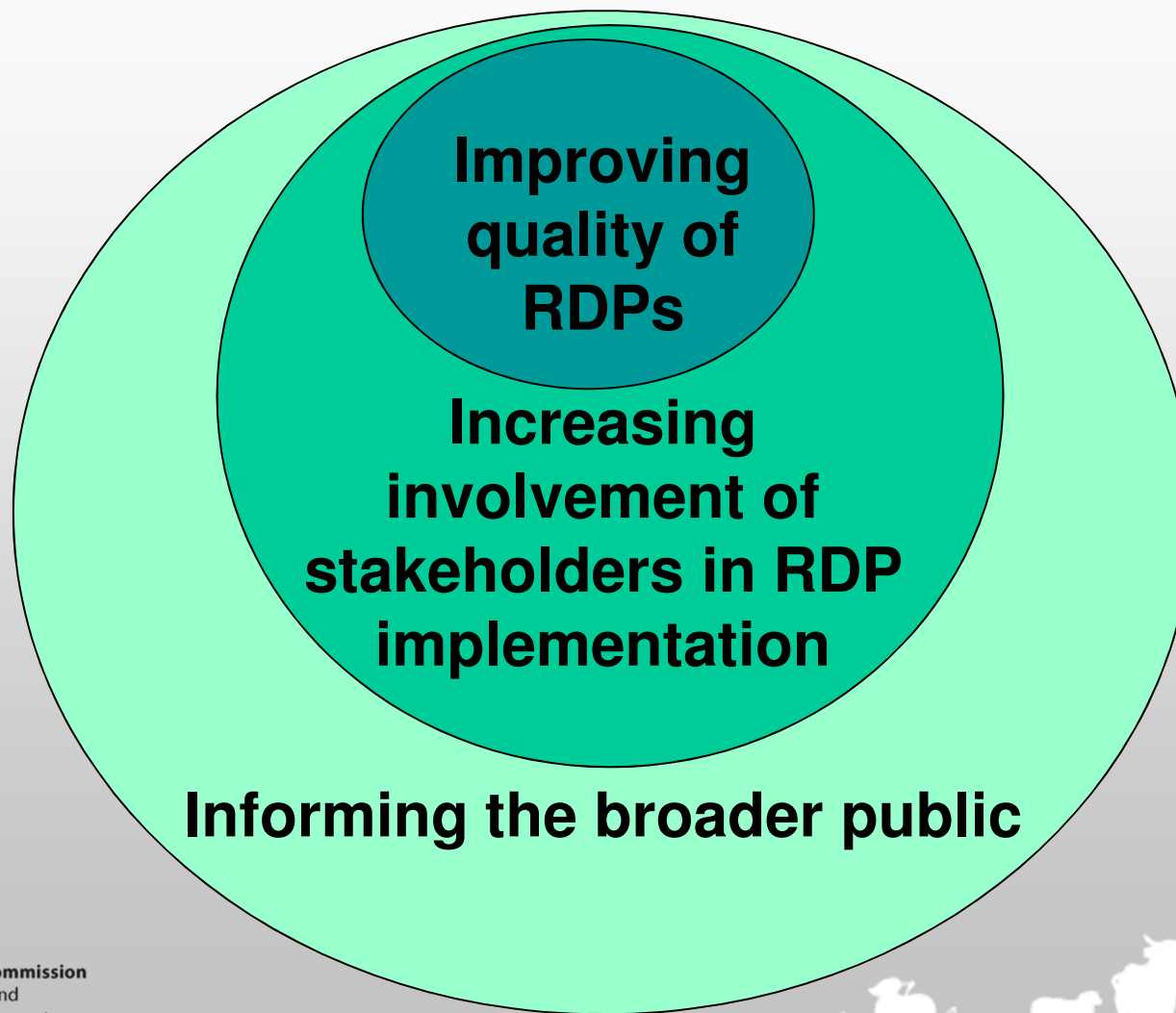
ENRD: European Network for Rural Development

EIP network: European Innovation Partnership Network for agriculture

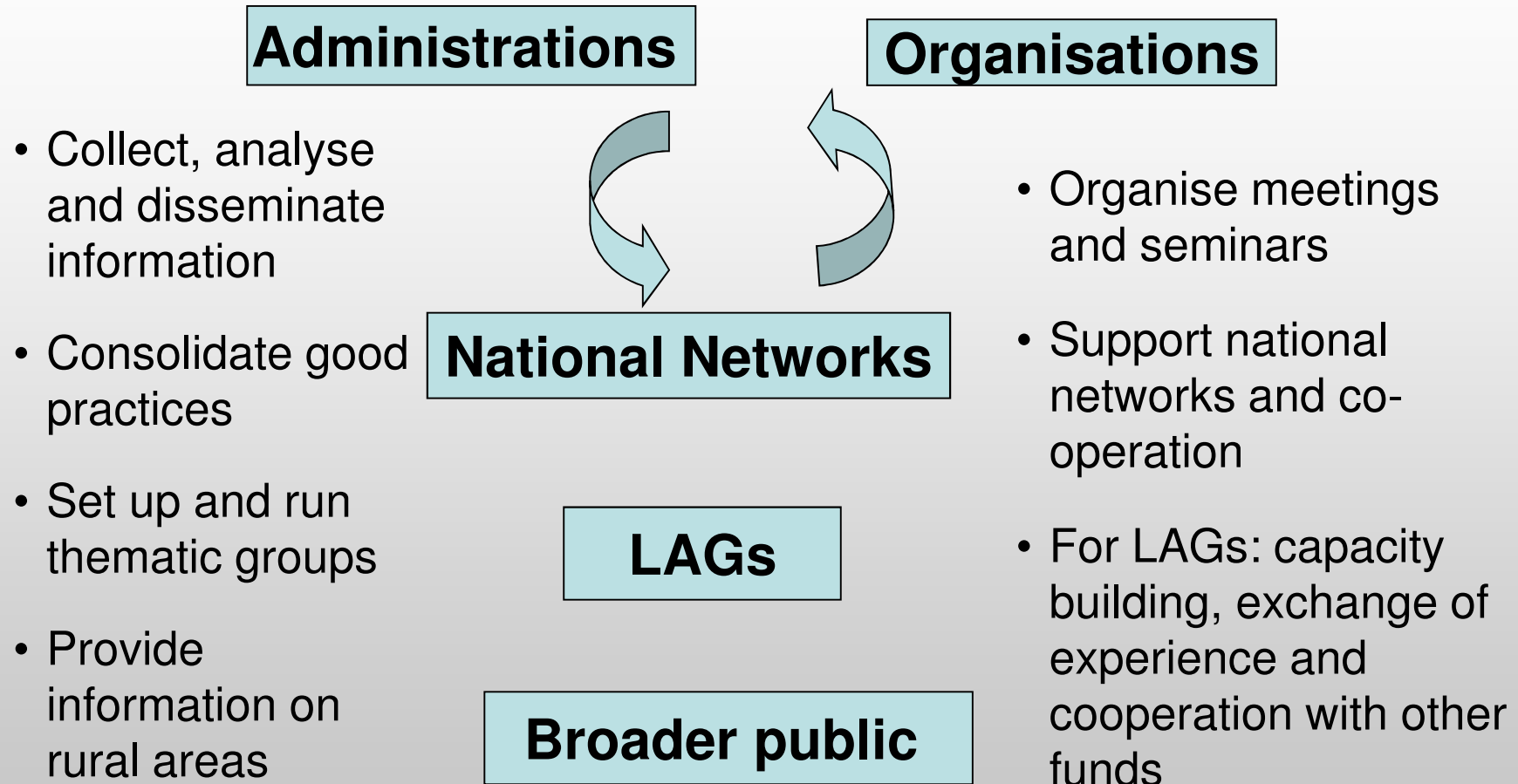
EEN: Evaluation Expert Network



ENRD objectives



ENRD tasks

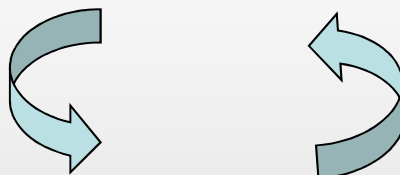


EIP network

To support the EIP for agricultural productivity and sustainability

Advisory services

Researchers



Operational groups

- Provide helpdesk function
- Support setting-up of operational groups

- Screen and report on relevant research results

- Collect, consolidate and disseminate good practices for innovation in agriculture
- Organise targeted workshops and conferences



EEN network

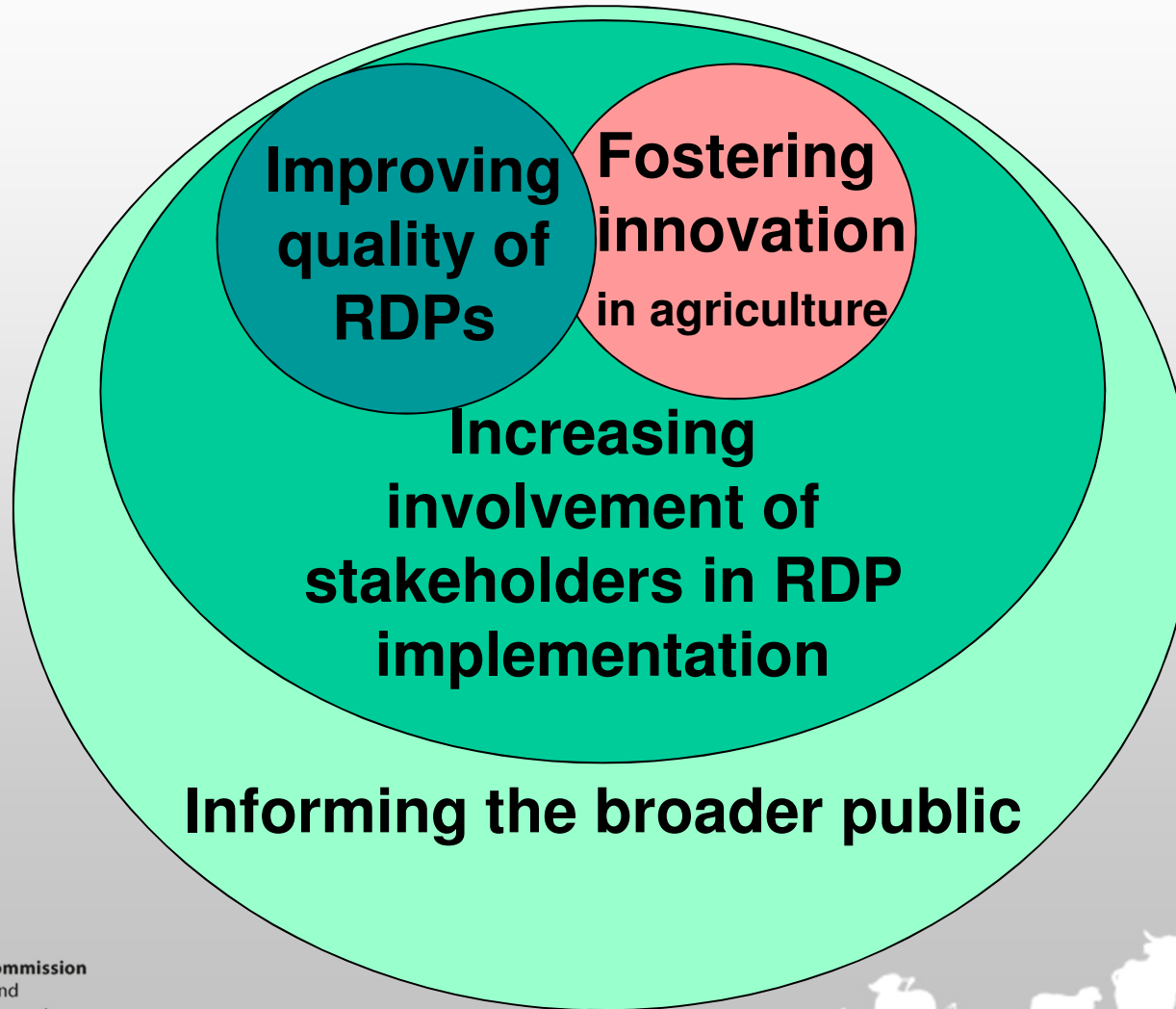
To support the evaluation of RDPs

Evaluators / experts

- Facilitate the exchange of expertise and good practices on evaluation methodologies
- Develop evaluation methods and tools
- Provide support on evaluation processes and on data collection and management



The objectives of NRNs



The reinforced roles of NRNs

at all levels

- ⇒ Involvement of stakeholders in programme design
- ⇒ Support for monitoring
- ⇒ Provision of trainings
- ⇒ Collection of examples of projects
- ⇒ Studies and analysis
- ⇒ Support for LAGs and Cooperation
- ⇒ Exchange of practice among advisers / advisory services
- ⇒ Networking activities for innovation
- ⇒ Publicity and information aimed at beneficiaries and the broader public
- ⇒ Support to process in selecting winner for prize for innovation



GLOBAL NETWORK STRUCTURE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

