Seminar "Successful Programming"

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WS 1 - How to promote Knowledge Transfer and Innovation in the new RDPs?

- Flexible programming and bottom up

- Essential role of networking and brokerage

- No definition of innovation but focus on eligible actions

- Creating an enabling environment for innovation processes e.g. training & brokering

- Recognise risk and handling failure e.g. step wise project design

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WS 2. How to integrate environmental and climate concerns in the new RDPs?

- No "green or climate corners" in RDPs /environment and climate are cross-cutting

- Legal basis provides many opportunities (be creative!) but: guidance needed on how to use measures

- Ensure consistency through all the programming cycle: programme design (SWOT), targeting ("hotspots"), implementation (selection criteria), proof the delivery

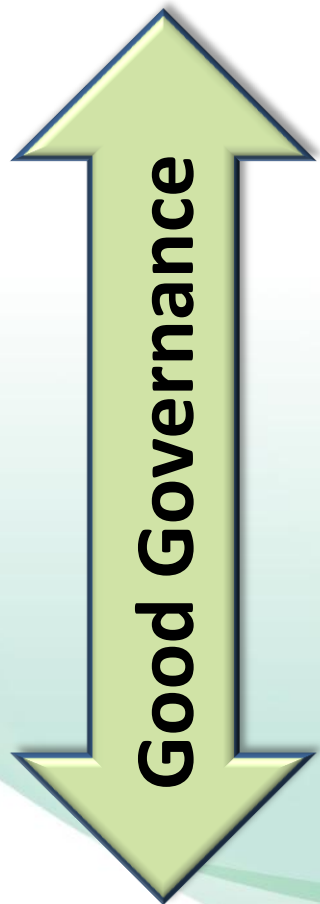# WS 3. Community-Led Local Development (CLLD)/Leader and the new RDPs

- CLLD is an important evolution and recognition of LEADER

- Strategic choices for programming

- New elements for LEADER for the RDPs: more funding, adaptability and simplifications of measures and management

- CLLD - coordination versus demarcation, needs an open door

The Change process requires enabling and consistent support on all levels

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WS 4. Effective shared management

- Financial management to be underpinned by the intervention logic:
  - Partnership agreement
  - Clear priorities and indicators
  - Financial planning and execution of RDPs

- Necessity to ensure that the money is being spent on what it is meant for:
  - To ensure credibility
  - Several new provisions
  - Can only work with effective shared management

- Details still being worked out in a number of areas

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What open questions still need to be resolved?

Related to programming…..

– How to ensure comparability of data sources at EU level?

– How to structure SWOT analysis and how to come to the strategy?

– Which indicators are used for performance reserve (to avoid bias)?

– Where can the guidelines be found in different languages?

Related to monitoring & evaluation

– How to design specific monitoring of AEM schemes?

– How to plan and evaluate horizontal priorities (innovation, environment and climate change)

– How does M&E of sub-programmes or LEADER work?

– How to attribute effects and impacts of measures which contribute to several priorities?

– How to net out the impact of RD policy?

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What further steps are needed to prepare for implementation of the M&E system?

- Need for a fixed EU framework
  - regulation, IA/DA, indicators, etc.

- Need for guidelines & explanations
  - Common M & E handbook, common evaluation of P1 and P2, clarifications on block programming, templates for measures design, more information on SFC-reporting, etc.

- Need for methodology
  - method for evaluation of P4 and P5 and their effects on greening, how to assess measures that contribute to several FA?
  - How to include bottom-up participatory approach to evaluation (e.g. LEADER)

- Need to communicate about the M&E system
  - informing and involving programme implementers, stakeholders, LAGs; training of actors

- Need to put the M&E system in place in the MS:
  - Set up technical systems for M&E; enhance data-availability, create administrative systems which uses M&E-results in a rapid way,

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