

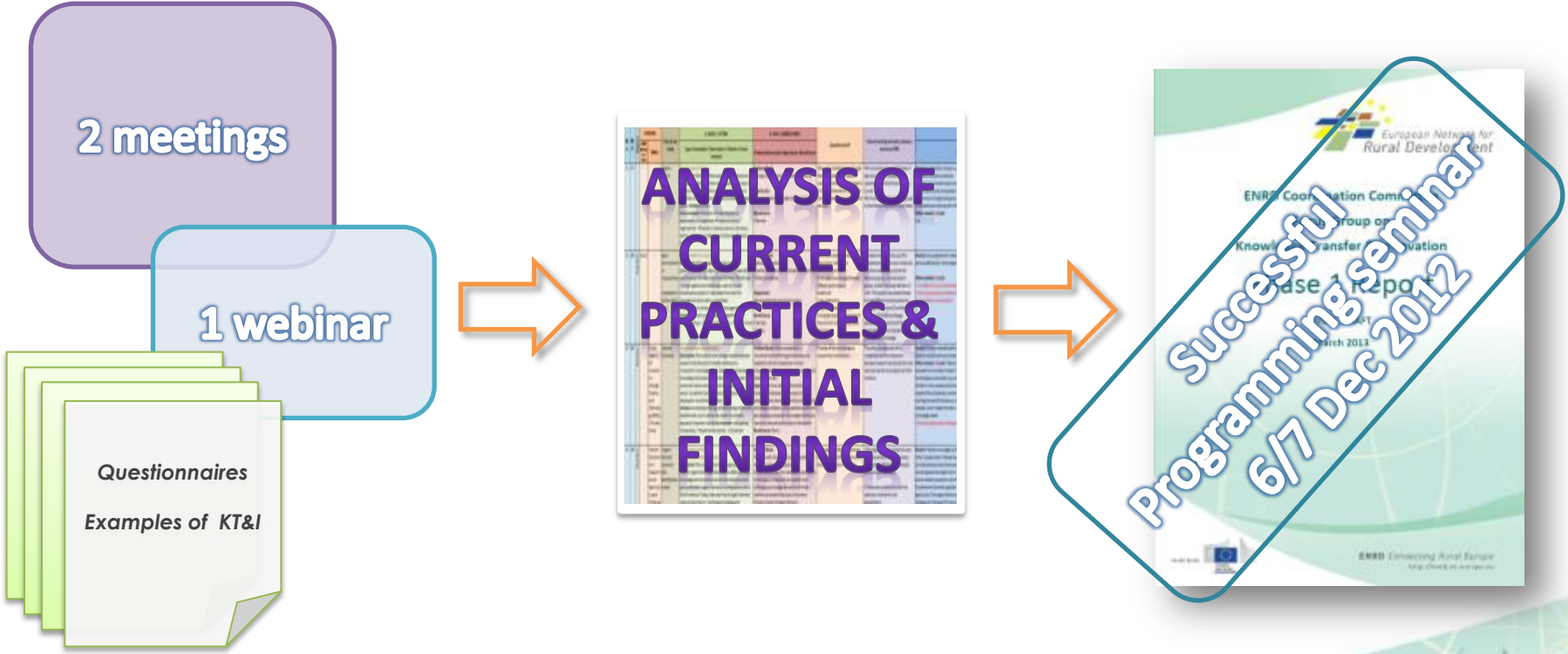
**CC Focus Group on
Knowledge Transfer & Innovation
and CC thematic Initiative on
Youth and Young farmers**

Progress update

11th Coordination Committee meeting
Tomar, 6 June 2013

Phase 1

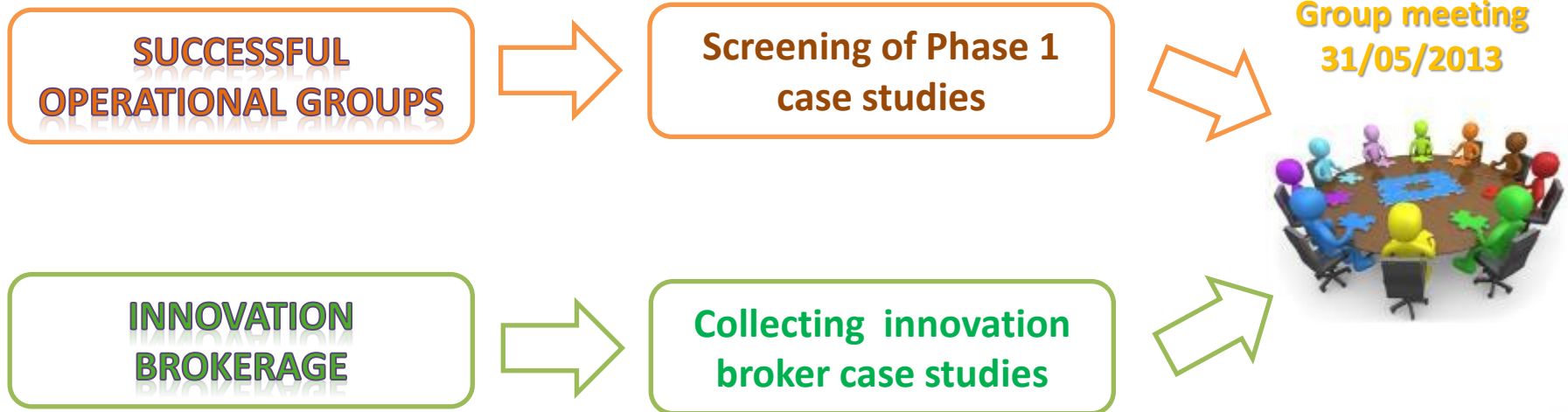
Phase 1 (Jun – Dec 2012)



Phase 2

Phase 2 (up to June 2013)

TWO STRANDS FOR INVESTIGATION!



1. INITIAL FINDINGS FOR SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONAL GROUPS

- A. Public administration to ensure a flexible framework
- B. Promote diversity in the operational groups
- C. Building partnership in operational groups
- D. Supporting transnational / trans-regional operational groups
- E. Clustering around topics of public interest (e.g. environmental concerns)
- F. Sustainability of the innovation after the funding period
- G. Acknowledge the importance of Innovation Brokers



2. INITIAL FINDINGS FOR SUCCESSFUL INNOVATION BROKERING

- A. Role /position of the IB: impartial and independent, facilitating not “dominating”
- B. The intermediary needs to understand the “language” of all different partners
- C. Strong need of direct communication (e.g. face-to-face meetings)
- D. Process needs to be transparent, the objectives and expectations clear
- E. Complementary, non-antagonistic partners, understanding each other’s needs



Completion of Phase 2 and dissemination....

- A. Finalisation of the Phase 2: practical lessons learnt and suggestions for:**
 - ✓ **Successful operational groups**
 - ✓ **Innovation brokerage in the context of rural development**
- B. Continuation of dissemination and promotion activities**
 - ✓ **Contribution to the EIP workshop on programming innovation (Madrid 26/27 June 2013)**
 - ✓ **Further dissemination activities.....**

Objectives

Improving youth's involvement
in designing and implementing
the RD policy

Implementation of the
RDPs in support to young
people: what worked
well and less well

To better address and value
young people's needs

Better use of young people's
potential in rural areas

Highlight the importance of the RD policy in support to youth in rural areas

ACTIVITIES

✓ Collecting background information at national level (14 MS)

- Actors involved / source of funding
- Consultation process / RDP implementation
- Role of NRNs



✓ Collection of case studies – around 25 from 8 MS



- Assessing young people's needs
- Education & Training
- Creation of new job opportunities
- Supporting implementation of innovative projects

Next steps (June 2013 and beyond...)

A. First meeting - discussion on preliminary findings: **19th June**

B. Undertaking additional research if needed and finalisation of the group's outcomes (**July / September 2013**)



C. "Youth and young farmers in rural areas" event (**October tbd**)

D. On-going update of the youth gateway

Where to find information in the ENRD website?

Research & Innovation gateway

Research and innovation gateway: http://enrd.ec.europa.eu/themes/research-and-innovation-gateway-development/en/research-and-innovation-gateway-development_en.cfm



The banner features a photograph of a group of young people, including children and teenagers, gathered around a table. They appear to be engaged in a hands-on activity, possibly related to agriculture or food preparation. The background of the banner is a vibrant, golden-brown field of crops, likely wheat or corn, under a bright sky.

Youth & Young Farmers Gateway

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