

# EU RURAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY

## Networking: a luxury or a necessity?



# Is networking a luxury ?

The budget of National Rural Networks and the ENRD for 2007-2013 (total public expenditure):  
around 520 million Euros

= 0,3%

of the total public expenditure for the EU RD policy

0,3 % for WHAT benefits?



# With objectives

**A more efficient RD policy  
through involvement of the stakeholders**

**I- KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT** - deeper insights in RD policy

## **II- KNOWLEDGE SHARING**

Ensuring access to and  
dissemination of useful  
information

## **III- EXCHANGES AND COOPERATION**

Increased connections between  
rural networks and actors



# Dealing with complexity & change

- ✓ Different levels
- ✓ Many actors
- ✓ Many themes
- ✓ Diverse needs & interests
- ✓ Changing environment



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# Can there be a modern policy without participative governance ?



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*Effective implementation without ownership ?*







*“A common legislative process is not sufficient for ensuring a common understanding”*

