



## International Seminar

### **„Cooperation between LAGs - a guiding principle in implementing the Leader approach”**

25.10 – 27.10.2012, Troyan, BULGARIA

#### **Conception:**

International seminar on "Cooperation between LAGs - a guiding principle in implementing the Leader approach " is aimed at a wide range of participants - experts engaged in the development and implementation of projects for rural development in Bulgaria and the EU, current and potential beneficiaries of the measures of program for rural Development, representatives of the Managing authority of the RDP, the Paying Agency, local authorities, NGOs, local leaders and others. The main objective pursued by the organizers of the seminar is the sharing and exchange of know - how and good practices among participants and establishing an effective communication network between the participating local action groups, preparing and applying for funding new inland and transnational projects and others.

#### **Program:**

First day - 25.10.2012 Thursday:

Participants: LAG representatives from Bulgaria and the EU, representatives of the MA and PA and persons interested

14:00 – 16:30	Arrival participants - (organized trip from airport to Troyan by bus. Departure from Sofia airport at 14:00 for the international guests
16:30 – 17:00	Accommodation in hotel "Chateau Montagne"
17:30 – 19:00	Visit to the “Museum of Traditional Crafts and Applied Arts” - Troyan. Presentation of the participants, program awareness and objectives of the event.
19:00 – 20:00	Demonstration of the masters of applied arts
20:00	Dinner for guests in the "Chateau Montagne"

Second day - 26.10 Friday :

8:00 – 8:45	Breakfast hotel
8:45 – 9:00	Departure for “Institute of Mountain Stockbreeding and Agriculture”, Troyan
9:00 – 9:30	Registration of the participants – program, seminar materials, advertising materials of LAG Troyan Apriltsi and visiting LAG
9:30 – 9:35	Officially opening of the seminar
9:35 – 10:00	“Implementation of local development strategy, one year after approval of the LAG” - Presentation by the Executive Director of LAG Troyan and Apriltsi
10:00 – 11:00	Role of transnational cooperation projects under the LEADER approach. Experience of older countries - EU members.
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:45	Presentation of ideas for cooperation of participating LAGs - part 1
12:45 – 14:00	Lunch - dining room “Institute of Mountain Stockbreeding and Agriculture”, Troyan
14:00 – 15:00	Presentation of ideas for cooperation of participating LAGs - part 2
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break
15:15 – 17:00	Discussion on opportunities for cooperation between the participating LAGs, summarizing the results and analysis of results. Closing remarks by the organizers and closing ceremony.
17:00 – 19:30	Cultural program
19:30	Dinner

Third day 27.10 Saturday:

8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast hotel
9:00 – 09:15	Movement to Oreshak
09:15 – 10:00	Visit to the Troyan Monastery
10:00 – 11:00	Visit to the “National Exhibition of Crafts” - Oreshak
11:00 – 11:15	Movement to Troyan
12:00 -	Departure of participants (organized transport by bus Troyan - Sofia Airport)

Fee: 300 €, which includes – transport, two nights, two breakfasts, lunch, two dinners and participation in the seminar;

For more information and application for participation: Association "LAG Troyan and Apriltsi", tel: 0670/5 38 38, mobile: +359878279643, [www.migta.org](http://www.migta.org)