

Added Value of Networking



Thematic Working Group – Smart Growth: Research and Innovation

Basic information	
NRN:	Greek NRN
Theme:	Good practice
Coordinator:	Emilia Pavlou
Partners:	Expert consultant scientist as additional help to the NSU and the TWG
Beneficiaries:	Managing Authority and Greek NRN members
Resources:	Technical Assistance of RDP 2007-2013
Period:	July 2012 - Oct 2012
Main element of networking:	Collection, analysis and dissemination of good practice, success stories and relevant experience
Other elements of networking:	Exchange of relevant experience and know-how

Background

A workshop was delivered under the theme of "*Horizontal and vertical cooperation between actors along the supply chain: the creation of logistics platforms which promote short supply chains and local markets in an innovative way*". The objective of the workshop was to develop a proposal for pilot clusters of local Greek food or biomass producers to work as an effective instrument for promoting horizontal and vertical partnerships at a local level.

Main activities

Two meetings were organized involving members who were initially interested in participating in the thematic working group.



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Main results/benefits

The main result was the development of a framework for the organization and operation of short supply chains which can be used in developing policies for the next programming period in order to strengthen the economy of rural areas and mutually benefit producers and consumers.

Success factors

This activity has helped with the creation of pilot clusters that could serve as demonstration projects and be important "incubators" of innovation at a local level.

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Networking enabled the preparation of a conclusive and comprehensive proposal regarding short supply chains which took into account both relevant scientific knowledge and the real needs of stakeholders from the agri-food sector in Greece.

Contribution of the NSU

The NSU took the initiative and coordinated the whole action. More specifically, the NSU chose the topic -in collaboration with the MA- as well as the expert who provided scientific support for the workshop. Moreover, the NSU organized the meetings, coordinated the participants and was responsible for the dissemination of the information and results generated.

Contribution of the partners

The partners provided data and information on good practice examples of short supply chains.

Additional information

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Pictures



1 TWG second meeting



2 TWG second meeting

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