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## **[Smart Villages: How to support Smart Villages strategies which effectively empower rural communities?](#)** <sup>[1]</sup>

This briefing document offers some preliminary orientations on how to support Smart Villages – both in the current programming period (2014-2020) and, more significantly, in the framework of the post-2020 Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) programming period.

It is targeted mainly at national and regional policy-makers and implementers to help them put in place both rural and regional policies which enable rural communities to respond to the challenges they face.

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**[Smart Villages: How can LEADER/CLLD support Smart Villages?](#)** [3]

This briefing document explores the potential role of LEADER/CLLD in supporting the implementation of the Smart Villages concept, we assess the current LEADER/CLLD implementation barriers identified by LAGs and present recommendations on how these barriers can be overcome to fully exploit the potential of Smart Villages at the local level.

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## [Smart Villages: Using non-LEADER/CLLD cooperation to support Smart Villages](#) [5]

This briefing document specifically explores the potential role of non-LEADER/CLLD cooperation for supporting Smart Villages.

It has been developed primarily by interpreting guidance and experiences from previous programming periods in the context of the Commission's proposal for a Regulation on 'CAP Strategic Plans' for the period 2021-2027.

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# Briefing



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## [Smart Villages: Co-designing and co-planning village services](#) [7]

This briefing provides references to a selection of planning tools to help practitioners, local decision-makers, and community groups to design and develop sustainable rural services. Even though the focus is clearly set on rural services, each tool can equally fit other types of intervention.

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# Case study



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## [Smart Villages: 'Digital Villages'](#) [9]

This case study explores a holistic approach to the digitisation of rural services, implemented by the Fraunhofer Institute in several pilot villages in Germany. The creation of a common digital platform has enabled the development of new solutions for the supply of local goods, communication, mobility and e-government through shared services and common rules.

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# Case study



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## [Smart Villages: 'Smart countryside study'](#) <sup>[11]</sup>

This case study explores the Finnish 'Smart Countryside' analysis of the challenges facing the country's rural areas and the opportunities offered by digitisation. It overviews a range of recommendations for improving digital innovations in rural services that have been used to inform both existing and new programmes in Finland.

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# Event highlights



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## **Smart Villages: 4th Thematic Group meeting** <sup>[13]</sup>

This is the main report of the [fourth meeting](#) <sup>[14]</sup> of the ENRD Thematic Group (TG) on 'Smart Villages'.

It overviews the main suggestions made by TG members on the future direction of the ENRD thematic work, looking specifically at areas in which the TG could support the practical implementation of ideas behind Smart Villages.

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# Event highlights



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## [Smart Villages: 5th Thematic Group meeting](#) [16]

This is the main report of the [fifth meeting](#) [17] of the ENRD Thematic Group (TG) on '[Smart Villages](#) [18]'

It overviews the main ideas on how to design 'Smart Village Strategies' which effectively empower rural communities in different national contexts.

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- Competitiveness, Digitisation, Future CAP, Innovation, Rural business, Rural services, Smart Villages

# Event highlights



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## [Smart Villages: 7th Thematic Group meeting](#) [20]

This is the main report of the [seventh meeting](#) [21] of the ENRD Thematic Group (TG) on '[Smart Villages](#)' [18].

It provides insights on how to use and plan Smart Villages in the future CAP Strategic Plans (according to the Commission's proposal for CAP), and how to create synergies between the CAP Strategic Plans and other funds.

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# Event highlights



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## [Smart Villages: 6th Thematic Group meeting](#) [23]

This is the main report of the [sixth meeting](#) [24] of the ENRD Thematic Group (TG) on '[Smart Villages](#) [18]'

It overviews the main ideas on how EU policy instruments can support Smart Villages now and in the future, with a particular focus on LEADER, cooperation and the future digital strategies.

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