



# *Local development strategy as a development process*

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# Evaluation criteria for Local action Groups and local rural development plans

***I*** Criteria established for LEADER LAGs

***II*** Criteria established for local rural development programme

***III*** Features of a good local rural development programme

# **I** Criteria established for LEADER LAGs

- 1. The operational area**
- 2. Definition of the rural area**
- 3. All the actors of the area must have the opportunity to become LAG members (rules cannot exclude certain actors).**
- 4. The Board of the LAG must follow the tripartition principle.**
- 5. The sufficient economic and administrative skills**

# ***II* Criteria established for local rural development programmes**

- 1. Preparation of the local rural development programme openly and extensively using the bottom-up principle.**
- 2. Objectives and connections to the different strategies**
- 3. SWOT-analyses, broad-based activities and activities from many different fields.**
- 4. Different objectives**
- 5. Arrangements of co-operation coordination and complementarity with other actors of the area**
- 6. Private and public funding, including 20 % from the municipalities**



# ***III*** Features of a good local rural development programme

- The programme has a clear and logical strategy.
- The programme is feasible and realistic and includes ideas or solutions that are clearly new to develop the area.
- Co-operation with various parties
- How to activate and involve the inhabitants of the area and the various population groups and actors
- If the programme involves transnational and inter-territorial co-operation, these must have clear and reasonable objectives.
- Clear indicators
- Broad selection of activities
- Other funding?

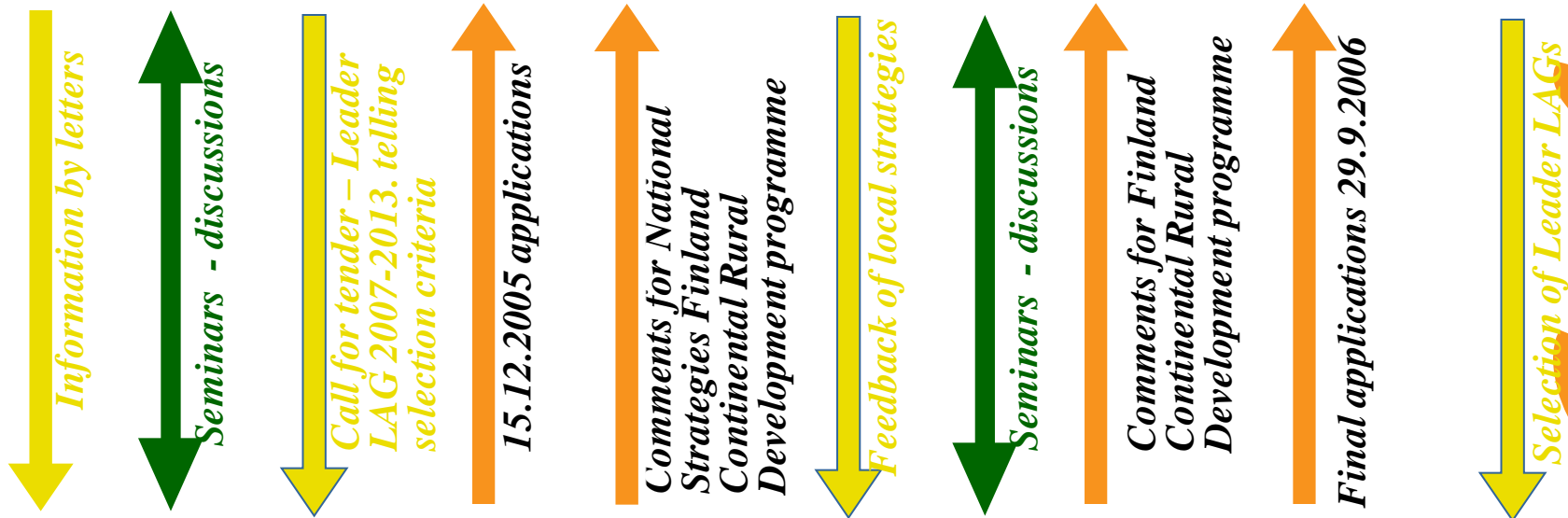
# Preparation of Leader in the programme period 2007-2013

year 2004 year 2005

year 2006

year 2007

**National level** (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, LAG working group, several working groups and committees...)



**Local action groups** (local people, local and regional administration...)