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The view of farmers and agri-cooperatives to Rural Networking at EU and national levels



Main points in the presentation

- 1. Why networking is important?
- 2. Expectations for networking
- 3. Need for a global EU approach and perspective
- 4. What do we need in the European Network for Rural Development?
- 5. What can Copa Cogeca do?
- 6. To Conclude



1. Why networking is important?

Need for interlink between European, National and Local levels:

- bottom up and
- top down information flow
- common approach



2. Expectations for networking

Monitoring National Rural Development programs?

or

Network for rural issues in wider scope?

- identifying tools to address
- analysing tools and their effectiveness to tackle the problems

Common denominator difficult to find!



3. Need for a global EU approach and perspective

Building up from national perspectives

Coordination with EU organisations

Feedback to National Rural Networks



4. What we need in the European Network for Rural Development?

Information on National Rural Development programs

Showcase examples of best practices

Platform for debate especially to deepen the discussion in important areas/issues

Feeding in to the National Rural Networks



5. How can Copa Cogeca contribute?

European organisation

- 76 member organisations
- from 27 Member States in the EU

Member organisations nationally implanted and involved in RD as farmers and co-operative leaders in implementing/using these measures.



6. To Conclude

⇒Networking

⇒EU dimension





Thank you for your attention!



