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# LEADER and Stakeholders engagement - some considerations



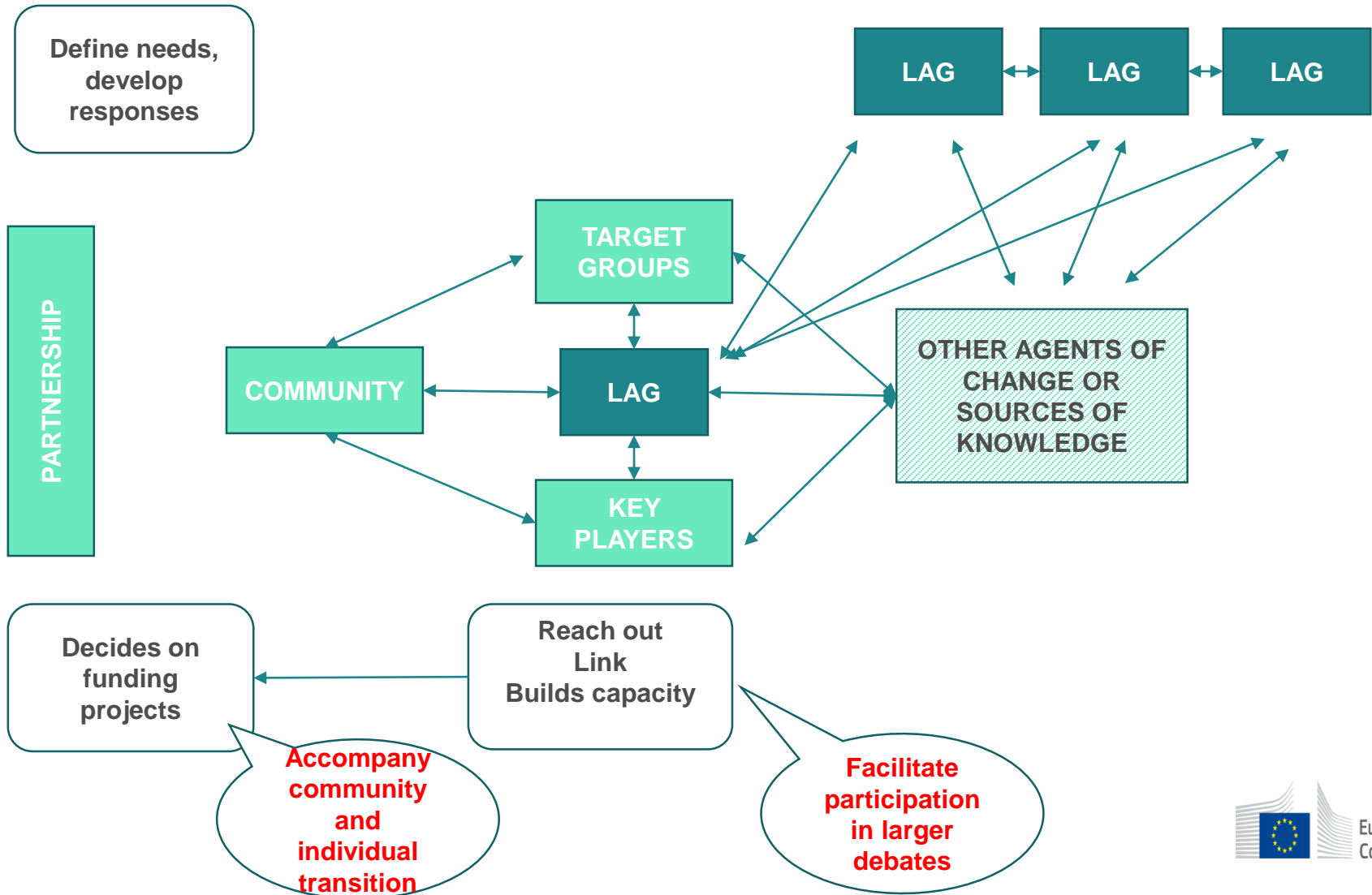
LEADER thematic lab  
Maintaining and widening stakeholders engagement

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# Stakeholders engagement – LAGs role



# Challenges calling for citizens' action

- Emergencies (migrants, natural disasters, sanitary, ...)
- Europe's green and digital transition
- Bring rural voice to shape rural Europe – Long term vision for rural areas

And emerging opportunities:

- Holistic approaches: environmental and economic sustainability
- New socio-economic patterns

# Green Deal, Farm to Fork and Biodiversity strategies

*« emphasising experimentation and working across sectors and disciplines »*

*« The Climate Pact (...) will continue to work to empower regional and local communities » (Green Deal)*

*« The transition to sustainable food systems requires a collective approach involving public authorities at all levels of governance (including... rural communities), private sector..., NGOs, ... citizens. »*

*« The Commission invites all citizens and stakeholders to engage in a broad debate to formulate a sustainable food policy » (Farm to Fork Strategy)*

*« [Biodiversity strategy] will require action by citizens, businesses, social partners and the research and knowledge community, as well as strong partnerships between local, regional, national and European level »  
(Biodiversity strategy)*

# The floor is yours...

- How to make sure that the partnerships are inclusive and representative?
- What role for the members?
- How to foster LAGs potential to get citizens involvement?
- How to promote LAGs role as a partner in supporting societal debates and transition?