

**Thematic Group on  
Rural Youth Employment:  
The Voice of Rural Youth**

**AGENDA**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> TG Meeting**

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## The objectives of the 2<sup>nd</sup> TG meeting are:

- to discuss support programmes and tools that are available at different levels (EU, national, regional, local) and further explore how they help rural youth employment in reality;
- to share existing experiences of TG members with support programmes and tools on rural youth employment;
- to identify functional youth employment support models in order to inform relevant policies; and
- to wrap up TG outcomes.



Timing	Agenda item
8.00 – 8.30	Registration
8.30 – 8.45	<b>Opening session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Veronika Korcekova and Elena Di Federico, CAPI CP - Follow-up on 1st TG meeting and in-between meeting activities</li> </ul>
8.45 – 10.00	Support programmes and tools: Examples from the EU & national level – <b>Conversation between TG members and institutions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Elena Schubert, European Commission / DG AGRI - CAP funding opportunities</li> <li>➤ Matteo Solivo, Microfinanza, Italy - Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs (EYE) intermediary organisation</li> <li>➤ Alessandro Villella, young farmer, Italy - EYE beneficiary</li> <li>➤ Tomas Jonsson, Swedish Public Employment Service, Sweden - Project “Ungdomsjobb”</li> </ul> Q&A, Plenary discussion
10.00 – 10.15	<i>Coffee break</i>
10.15 – 11.15	Support programmes and tools: Examples from the regional & local level – <b>Sharing personal experiences</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Quentin Legouy, Young local leader at EU Committee of the Regions, France - Support activities of the community of local municipalities</li> <li>➤ Maria Gallardo, Cooperado foundation, Spain - Innovation &amp; Talent Programme in Extramadura region</li> <li>➤ Paivi Hakkarainen, Local Action Group Viisari, Finland – Municipal micro-grants for youth business start-ups and LEADER Youth Activators</li> <li>➤ Mario González Azcárate and José Luis Crus, Agriculture Research Institute of Madrid Region (IMIDRA), Spain – Match-funding for rural youth</li> </ul> Q&A, Plenary debate
11.15 – 12.45	<b>Breakout groups discussions &amp; feedback session</b>
12.45 – 13.45	<i>Lunch Break</i>
13.45 – 14.30	<b>Panel discussion: Reflections from the EU-wide projects and actions on rural youth employment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Francisco Simões, Cost Action ‘Rural NEET Youth Network’</li> <li>➤ Willem Korthals Altes, H2020 project Ruralisation</li> <li>➤ Laura Incze, Project CoWORK4Youth</li> </ul> Plenary discussion
14.30 – 15.00	<b>Summary of the TG outcomes</b>

