

# Workshop

## LEADER and multi-funded CLLD

### Agenda

18 - 19 October 2023

Ljubljana, Slovenia

The workshop will provide the opportunity to exchange experiences and share practical solutions for the improvement of implementation of multi-funded CLLD and give an overview of multi-funding across the EU. The workshop will also gather ideas on how to best utilise multi-funded CLLD in the future programming period.

#### **Main objectives of this workshop:**

- Explore different approaches to and experience of using a multi-funded approach to CLLD in the Member States;
- Explore the main planning, design and implementing challenges which face multi-funding and identify and share practical solutions that work well at both programming and local level;
- Highlight the specific objectives which positively suggest the use of multi-funding;
- Understand how the uptake of multi-funded CLLD can be increased through the unlocking of dedicated funds, particularly through ERDF and ESF+; and
- Identify next steps for facilitating the use of multi-funded CLLD, in the current and next programming period.



## Day 1 - 18 October 2023

Timing	Agenda Item
08.00 – 09.00	<i>Registration</i>
09.00 – 09.30	<p><b>Welcome and introduction by</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Lamb (Team Leader, EU CAP Network, CAP Implementation Contact Point)</li> <li>• Andrej Hafner (Deputy Director General, member of MA EAFRD) - tbc</li> <li>• Mario Milouchev (Director, DG AGRI)</li> </ul>
09.30 – 10.15	<p><b>Overview of the use of multi-funds LEADER/CLLD in CAP Plans 2023-2027</b> presented by Stefan Kah (independent consultant)</p> <p>Q&amp;A</p>
10.15 – 11.00	<p><b>Panel discussion sharing experiences and challenges of multi-funded LEADER/CLLD from the 2014-2020 programming period (and prospects for 2023-27)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iwona Lisztwan (DG AGRI)</li> <li>• Merja Haapakka (DG REGIO)</li> <li>• Mathilde Prilleux (DG EMPL)</li> <li>• Beata Rodak (Poland, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development)</li> <li>• Jacques Sauvestre (France, Nouvelle Aquitaine, deputy director of regional MA) (<i>recorded video message</i>)</li> <li>• Ivana Kasparova (Czechia, Ministry of Regional Development)</li> </ul>
11.00 - 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 – 12.00	<p><b>Exploring the reasons for lesser use of multi-funded LEADER/CLLD approach in 2023-2027 period – case studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tjitte de Vries (Sweden, National Network)</li> <li>• Ioanna Triantafyllidou (Greece, Ministry of Rural Development and Food)</li> <li>• Michael Fischer (Austria, National Network)</li> <li>• Laura Janis (Finland, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)</li> </ul>
12.00 – 12.30	The Slovenian model of multi-funded CLLD for 2023-27



	<p>Presentation by Alina Cunk Perklič (head of CLLD working group, Slovenia) and Marjeta Jerič (Rural Development and Structural Policy Division, MA, Slovenia)</p>
12.30 – 13.15	<p><b>Multiple short presentations of multi-funded CLLD examples for the afternoon workshops – national/regional/local levels</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alina Ioana Baba (Romania, LAG Napoca Porolissum)</li> <li>• Jan Dražský Florian (Czechia, National LAG network)</li> <li>• Vivia Aunapuu Lents (Estonia, Ministry of Social Affairs)</li> <li>• Elena Hadjinikolova (Bulgaria, Ministry of Agriculture and Food)</li> <li>• Roxana Iacob (Romania, Integrated Territorial Instrument of the Danube Delta)</li> </ul>
13.15 – 14.15	<i>Lunch break</i>
14.15 – 16.00	<p><b>Workshop sessions - 2 rounds of parallel workshops</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshop 1: CLLD at Managing Authority and Paying Agency level – examples of how coordination between the funds works or does not work (programming, controls, finance, audit, etc)</li> <li>• Workshop 2: CLLD at local/operational level – how LAGs make CLLD work and what they gain by using more Funds</li> </ul>
16.00 – 16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.30 – 16.45	<b>Feedback on working groups</b>
16.45 – 17.15	<p><b>Panel discussion with EC and Member States on ideas to increase the use of multi-funding, including the use of Lead Fund</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mario Milouchev (Director, DG AGRI)</li> <li>• Alina Cunk Perklič (Head of CLLD working group, Slovenia)</li> <li>• Maria Jose Murciano (ELARD)</li> <li>• Juha-Matti Markkola (Finland, National Network)</li> <li>• Filippo Chiozzotto (Italy, National Network)</li> </ul> <p>Stefan Kah (Independent Consultant)</p>
17.15 – 17.30	Closing remarks
19.30 – 21.30	<i>Networking dinner</i>



## Day 2

**19 October 2023**

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08.00 – 14.00	<p><b>Travelling workshops and discussions on how multi-funded CLLD works at MA/PA level and local/LAG level</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Field visits to<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ LAG Barje with hinterland</li><li>○ LAG The Capital and countryside – hand in hand</li></ul></li><li>• Short workshop session – exchange of experiences</li></ul>

