

## Good Practice Workshop

# FINAL AGENDA

## How to assess the LEADER added value

**23 – 24 November 2023**

Novotel Luxembourg Kirchberg, 6 rue Fort Niedergrünewaied,  
Quartier Européen Nord Plateau de Kirchberg, L-2266,  
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European Evaluation Helpdesk for the CAP



The CAP for the 2023-2027 programming period places emphasis on the added value of LEADER as one of the pivotal topics that Member States should assess. This stems from the [CAP Regulation \(Regulation \(EU\) 2021/2115\)](#) & [Implementing Regulation \(Regulation \(EU\) 2022/1475\)](#) highlighting the LEADER added value and its significance in the evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans.

Building on [the guidelines on the evaluation of LEADER/CLLD](#) published in 2017 by the Evaluation Helpdesk, this workshop seeks to delve deeper into understanding the benefits accrued through the proper application of the LEADER method. While the guidelines provided a comprehensive concept of the LEADER added value, there were challenges for Member States in operationalising its components for facilitating its evaluation. Addressing this gap, a [Thematic Working Group](#) has been formed by the Evaluation Helpdesk to provide methodological support to EU Member States for the evaluation and demonstration of the added value of LEADER.

## Aims of the workshop

The Good Practice Workshop in Luxembourg will share practices on how to assess LEADER added value. The workshops' specific objectives are to:

- Increase the knowledge of stakeholders involved in LEADER evaluations.
- Exchange practical experiences from past evaluations of LEADER and its added value, both at LAG (local) and programme (regional or national) levels.
- Provide an opportunity for networking and identification of needs for further support for Managing Authorities; Local Action Groups, CAP networks and evaluators

## Target audience

The Evaluation Helpdesk invites Managing Authorities, Paying Agencies, LAGs, CAP networks, evaluators, and other CAP evaluation stakeholders involved in the evaluation process from Member States. Additionally, EU-level evaluation experts and LEADER experts will be in attendance to provide specialised insights on evaluation elements and methodologies pertinent to this topic. This workshop will be held in English.

## Outcomes

A final report and speaker presentations from the workshop will be published on the EU CAP Network website, when available.

## Contact information

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Timing	<b>Final Agenda</b> Thursday 23 November 2023
12.00	<i>Registration and coffee</i>
13.00	Introduction and objectives of the workshop
13.30	The framework for assessing the LEADER added value <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharing EC evaluation experience of LEADER added value, Eduardo Serrano Padial (DG AGRI)</li> <li>• Overview and lessons from the study on costs and benefits of LEADER, Carlotta Valli (Evaluation Helpdesk)</li> </ul>
14.00	Sharing practical experiences on assessing the added value of LEADER – examples from 2014-2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of the potential of social innovation in the context of LEADER 2014-202, Robert Lukesch (AT)</li> <li>• Evaluation of the LEADER approach – focus on governance, Sari Rannanpää (FI)</li> <li>• Links between the LEADER added value and the LEADER principles, Neringa Virsiliene (LT)</li> <li>• Assessing the added value of LEADER in Sweden, Carl Stromberg (SE)</li> </ul>
15.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
15.30	Group discussions on lessons from evaluating the LEADER added value
16.30	Plenary discussion
17.00	End of day 1
18.00	<i>Cultural activity – Walking tour around the city centre of Luxembourg</i>
19.30	<i>Social dinner - Independent Café at 6 Boulevard F-d Roosevelt, 2450 Ville-Haute Luxembourg, Luxembourg</i>



Timing	<b>Final Agenda</b> Friday 24 November 2023
09.00	<i>Registration and coffee</i>
09.30	Summary of day 1 and introduction to day 2
10.00	Assessing the added value of LEADER – a view to the future <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharing EC experience on indicators for assessing the added value of leader, Iwona Lisztwan (DG AGRI)</li> <li>• Proposed approaches to assess LEADER added value, Valdis Kudins (Evaluation Helpdesk)</li> </ul>
10.30	A view to the future from the perspective of Member States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A concept for the evaluation of the LEADER added value, Christa Rockenbauer-Peirl (AT)</li> <li>• Tools for assessing the LEADER added value, Elena Pisani (University of Padova)</li> </ul>
11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30	Group discussions on challenges and ideas for the evaluation of the LEADER added value in the future
12.30	Plenary discussion
13.0	End of day 2
13.00 – 14.00	<i>A light lunch</i>
14.00 – 17.00	<i>Field visit to a LEADER project</i>

