

LEADER Youth Community



NETWORK (overview, structure)

„The LEADER Youth Community is a vibrant, dynamic group within the larger LEADER-CLLD framework and initiative, proudly affiliated with ELARD. Our network is dedicated to empowering young people to take an active role in the sustainable development of rural areas.“

„Our mission is to empower young voices within the LEADER-CLLD framework, ensuring their participation in decision-making and community development processes. „

174 members

Divided by which role they want to play in the network:

- **Steering group**
- **Ambassadors**
- **Administrators**
- **Communicators**
- **Group leaders**
- **Members**
- **Mentors** (over 30 years old)



TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES

Online kick-off
meeting
2024, 2 September



European LEADER
Congress
2024, 2-3 October



Online Survey among
members
December 2024 –
January 2025



Webinar on Culture &
Wellbeing
2025, 13 March



SURVEY RESULTS (most common answers)

1. Youth and Leadership in Rural Areas

How young people can lead and contribute to rural development; Engaging youth organizations and promoting youth-led projects; Encouraging young leaders in decision-making roles (e.g., mayors, LAGs).

2. Funding and Collaboration

Finding and accessing funding for rural projects; Tips for working with partners across different countries. Simple ways to manage project budgets for youth initiatives.

3. Engaging Communities

Building stronger connections with rural communities. Communicating effectively with local leaders (e.g., councillors, mayors). Encouraging volunteer work and local involvement.



MY EXPERIENCE IN LAG

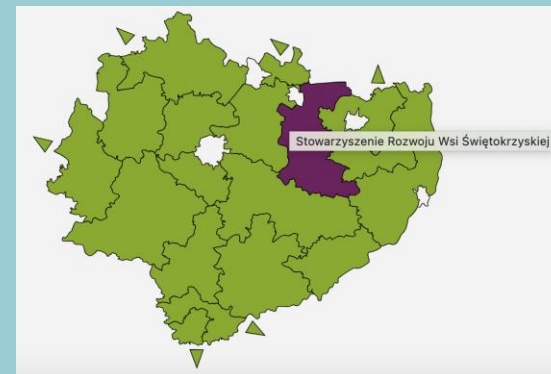
2010 – moved to rural area

2021 – joined local Youth City Council

2021 – started to volunteer in NGO

2022 – started to work in field of local / rural development

2024 – became a member of LAG's evaluation board



COMMUNICATION STRATEGY IN MY LAG (youth)



SOCIAL
MEDIA



Facebook posts for
promotion



FACE TO FACE
MEETINGS



Meetings with local youth for
planning LAG's youth directed
activities/projects - youth involved
in proces from earliest stages
(Local Action Strategy activities)



ONLINE
SURVEYS



Surveys dedicated to gather
information on needs and potential
project ideas from local youth
(regarding small grants)



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