

# EU CAP Network Cooperation Corner at LINC2025

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## **This presentation**







## **About the EU CAP Network**







## What does the EU CAP Network support?



- Design and implementation of CAP strategic plans.
- Innovation and knowledge exchange, including EIP-AGRI.
- Evaluation and monitoring of the CAP.





## **Governance Structure**







## Agriculture & Rural Inspiration Awards (ARIA)









## **ARIA** objectives



To increase the visibility of rural development and agriculture in EU



To demonstrate innovative solutions affecting rural communities



To promote a mindset of reskilling and upskilling in agriculture



**European CAP Network** 

Optimising the flow of information about agriculture and rural policy within the EU is what the EU's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) Network is all about.

About the EU CAP Network

To present best practice examples

## 2025 – 'Shaping tomorrow together'

- Environmental protection
- Smart & competitive agriculture
- Socio-economic fabric of rural areas
- Generational renewal

**Special awards: Gender equality; Popular Vote** 



## AGRICULTURAL & RURAL INSPIRATION AWARDS





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# **ICE-BREAKER – Who is in the room?**





## **Support to LEADER**

#### Discover



#### **LEADER** Explained

Discover about the origins of the LEADER approach and its key characteristics.





#### LEADER Transnational Cooperation (TNC)

Find out all the tools developed by the EU CAP Network to support your TNC experience.

Find out more



#### **LEADER LAG Directory**

Connect with LEADER Local Action Groups across Europe from the 2023-2027 programming period.

Find out more >

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## The LAG Directory – purpose

- To provide information about EU LAGs and their Local Development Strategies in the EU CAP Network website
- To facilitate cooperation among LAGs through the integrated partner search functions of the LAG Directory





## The LAG Directory – phases of development





# Partner search and cooperation offers search

### **Partner search (in LAG Directory)**

## **LEADER Cooperation offers**

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LEADER\_TINC encourages and supports Local Action Groups (LAGs) to undertake a joint action, often a project, with another LEADER group or with a group taking a similar approach, in another region or Member State or even in non-EU countries. The ambition of LEADER TNC is to help local actors improve the potential of their areas.

Click on the 'Browse TNC offers' button above and find both current and expired cooperation offers published by LAGs. This tool complements the TNC partner search, which is integrated into the LAG <u>Directory</u>.

Use the filters to refine your search for cooperation offers.





# Other LEADER Cooperation support tools

## The <u>LEADER Transnational</u> <u>Cooperation</u> section of the EU CAP Network website

- > Practical Guide to TNC
- TNC factsheets (regularly updated based on information provided by Member States)
- > Partner Search







## Summary – TNC factsheets

#### > Start of TNC

- In 2025: Cyprus, Czechia, Greece, Latvia, Poland, Hungary, Denmark
- > Other MS already started

#### > Priorities and themes

- In LDS / based on MS level list: Belgium (Flanders), Ireland, Poland
- > In LDS / set by LAGs: all other MSs

#### > Lead partner

 Not an eligibility criteria for a TNC project: Austria, Czechia, Netherlands, Sweden

### > Approval by MA or PA after selection by LAG

- > More than 6 months: Czechia, Hungary
- > Less than 6 months: all other MSs

#### > Budget

- Based on LDS up to a certain limit set at MS level: Czechia, Lithuania
- Specific allocation for each LAG: Belgium (Flanders), Luxembourg
- > In LDS / by LAG: all other MSs

#### > Calls

- Continously open: Belgium (Flanders), Cyprus, Czechia, Greece, Latvia, Luxembourg, Ireland, Sweden
- As defined by LAGs: Austria, Denmark, Finland, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland







## Transnational cooperation guidance - reminder





# LEADER Newsletter (June edition)

#### > Featuring articles about

- > LEADER for community resilience and security in the Baltic Sea Region
- > Bringing the EU to the kitchen table: communicating LEADER (in Finland)
- > Tackling disinformation
- > Integrated for impact: Czechia's multi-fund CLLD model
- > Networking with LEADER in spring 2025 (short summary of EU CAP Network activities)
- > Smart Villages in Lithuania: innovation for rural future
- > The LAG Directory
- > The present and future of the rural world

#### In English (EN)













# Planned LEADER activities – EU CAP Network (September 2025 – July 2026)

- Further improvements to the LAG Directory and LEADER Transnational Cooperation support (continous)
- Supporting community of practice for members of the Subgroup on LEADER and Territorial Development (continuous)
- > Informal meeting with Managing Authorities (on a quarterly basis)
- > LEADER Newsletter (up to 4 editions, first edition planned for September 2025)
- > Workshop on Simplified Cost Options (including, but not only LEADER, November 2025)
- > 4th Subgroup on LEADER and Territorial Development (February 2026)
- > Workshop on LEADER and Social Resilience (June 2026)
- > Participation at LEADER events (LINC, ELARD, etc.)



# Dedicated website section for LAG managers / LAG profile management

## A gateway to LAG profiles management for LAG managers, including

- > A log in button
- > Guidance for LAG managers
- > An FAQ

REMEMBER! You can only log in to your LAG's profile with the email address you received the invitation to!





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# Demonstrating the LAG profile functions LAG Kitzbüheler Alpen







# Introduction to the thematic discussions / mini workshops

## based on your responses to our short questionnaire







## Member States, experience



Number of responses



Some experience with TNC projectsNo experience with TNC projects







## Your preferred topics



Rural tourism Preserving the local heritage and culture Rural innovation (non-agricultural) Climate change and environmental sustainability Knowledge transfer Smart villages Social inclusion Support to rural businesses Food supply chains Ensuring local capacity Renewable energy Innovative approaches to agriculture Forestry and prevention of forest fires Access to services and infrastructure Job creation Rural-urban linkages





## **TNC challenges**

Different rules and criteria in different Member States

Finding the right partners

Limited capacities for TNC at Local Action Group level

Different approval times in different Member States

Ensuring local support for transnational cooperation

Coordinating the partnership

Limited access to information about TNC rules and criteria

Communicating about the results of TNC projects







## Group discussion / mini workshops (60')



> Focus on

- > Project ideas based on posters OR your fresh ideas
- > Challenges
- Horizontal / cross-cutting themes (can be discussed in all groups)
  - > Social inclusion



## **Project ideas from Local Action Groups**

#### > Rural tourism

- > Roots tourism (Finland, LEADER Northernmost Lapland)
- > An adventure of tastes and sensations developing of new tourism products (Latvia, North Latgale LAG)
- > Voices of heritage sustainable future for / by tourist guides (Finland, LEADER Ravakka)
- Establishment of collective memory points in the 3 component counties of the Somesului Valley GAL (Romania, GAL Valea Somesului)
- > The Atlas of Rural Beauty (Romania, LAG NAPOCA Porolissum)

#### Climate – environment – renewable energy

> GEN-ECO – Generations for ecology and rural innovation (Romania, LAG NAPOCA Porolissum)

### > Heritage and culture

> Wine tourism / landscape and people (Portugal, Grater Adeliacor)

### Food supply chains and innovation in agriculture

From field to feast – cultivating slow food and agrotourism in Europe (Estonia, Germany, Italy / Kodukant Läänemaa, Hiidlaste Koostöökogu, LAG Lahn-Dill-Wetzlar, LAG Pustertal (associated partner))





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