



POLICY ACTION LAB

14 December 2023

DRAFT AGENDA*



EU funds paving the way to the rural vision

Tentative Timing	Agenda items
09.30 – 10.00	Welcome and framing the day <ul style="list-style-type: none">> Introduction, Rural Pact Support Office> Outcomes from the High-level Rural Policy Forum 2023 (Sigüenza, Spain)> How can the rural toolkit for EU funding benefit local actors?, Joint Research Centre tbc
10.00 – 11.30	How to enhance actual access to funding? <p>Presentations & Group discussion (Round 1)</p> <p>The discussion will focus on specific aspects, including those outlined by registered participants, such as building local capacities to apply for funding, simplifying application procedures and rules, and setting up one-stop shops in rural areas to provide advice and support on the combination of funding sources, etc.</p>
11.30 – 11.45	Coffee Break
11.45 – 12.30	Building recommendations together <p>Plenary discussion to build recommendations based on the outcomes from the group discussions on how to enhance actual access to funding.</p>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch Break
13.30 – 15.00	How to enhance and mobilise policy support for rural areas? <p>Presentations & Group discussion (Round 2)</p> <p>The discussion will focus on specific aspects, including those outlined by registered participants, such as enhancing coordination and complementarities among EU funds, supporting integrated local development, exploring innovative ways to mobilise and combine different funding sources, etc.</p>
15.00 – 15.15	Coffee Break
15.15 – 16.00	Building recommendations together <p>Plenary discussion to build recommendations based on the outcomes from the group discussions on how to enhance and mobilise policy support for rural areas.</p>
16.00 – 16.30	Closing remarks

* Further details, including project examples and names of speakers, will be provided shortly.

