Building capacity of local actors LEADER/CLLD IS PART of the SOLUTION

=> setting up a "one stop shop"



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COOPERATION, INNOVATION, NETWORKING, AREA-BASED, PARTNERSHIP, BOTTOM-UP MANAGEMENT...

> Nice words for capacity building – but used hardly for everything and by everyone....

Our Learnings

- We are sitting in the same boat no matter which level, position or structure)
- We have to promote our unique selling points (and need to know them)
- We can be proud of what we have achieved in 25-30 rural development, but spending some funding-money is too less to be famous for
- On local level people do not care from which pocket the help/network/money comes



This was the picture...

What have we done...

- Governance process which startet already 2006
- Focus on the needs in the regions and not on the needs of the different funding regimes
- It is not about what is better, top-down or bottom-up. It is about the best output...
- Political decision, that there is only one organisation for rural development on regional level (between 20.000 – 120.000 inhabitants)
- **Multifund** approach since 2014, "Multifundlight" since 2001
- LEADER is not the main funding source, but the main method approach (no matter which fund)
- Create a one-stop-shop system on regional AND on administrative level



One-Stop-Shop System of Tirol 2023

Tirol: one of 9 provinces in Austria, around 750.000 inhabitants
One Stop Shop Land Tirol (MA)

1 Coordination Department "Landesentwicklung/land development"

- 17 other departements and
- 11 thematical partners

Common concept paper +

implementation partnership

One Stop Shop Region

10 Regional Development Associations (LAGs)

- Including 7 cross-boarder networks
- 10 volunteers network centers
- 10 Climate-Energy Model Regions
- 6 Climate-Adoption Model Regions
- More than 2.000 network partners on local level

Other EU and national fundings

- LEADER (EAGFL)
- EFRD
- INTERREG
- ESF (pilot)
- Volunteers network
- Sustainability and climate

Thank you!

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