Stocktaking of EC actions developed collaboratively

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The Rural Pact – Actions related to objectives

Amplify the voice of rural areas and bring them up in policy agendas

- Formulating reflections for the Rural Pact to be debated for post-2027 CAP and Cohesion policy
- Fostering commitment to the Rural Pact and promoting its activities in EC officials' speeches
- Translating the Policy Briefing “Making the Rural Pact happen in Member States” in all EU languages
- Disseminating the outcomes of the Policy Briefing
- Enriching forthcoming country pages with information from on-going EC studies

Networking, collaboration & mutual learning

- Supporting the identification of funding sources
- Promoting the use of the rural funding toolkit
- Further developing the Rural Pact community platform and RP community group
- Attending events planned and delivering speeches by the end of 2025

Commitments to act

- Implementing the Rural Action Plan

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Objective 1: Amplifying the voice of rural areas and bringing them up in policy agendas

UPDATE ON ACTIONS

Translating the Policy Briefing “Making the Rural Pact happen in Member States”

- Translations in 27 languages since early December 2023.

Promoting the Rural Pact by EC officials

- November 2023 – April 2024: Participation of EC Commissioners and DG AGRI at more than 20 events.
- Including 8 high-level national and European conferences for VP Suica, Commissioners Ferreira and Wojciechowski

Disseminating the Policy Briefing

Promoting the integration of the Rural Pact in post-2027 CAP and CP

- Formulation of questions for debate in the new LTVRA report adopted in March 2024.
Objective 2: Networking, collaboration and mutual learning

UPDATE ON ACTIONS

Informing about EU funding opportunities

• **Launch** of the [Rural toolkit](#) on 6 February 2024.

• **Promotion** of the toolkit in events: **Joint Research Centre** open to do more on invitation
  - 22 November 2023: toolkit presented at an [event](#) from the European rural community alliance
  - 14 December 2023: rural toolkit dashboard presented during the [Policy lab](#) on EU funds

Launching and improving the rural pact community platform (RPCP)

• **Official launch** of the [RPCP](#) on 29 June 2023 as an online collaborative tool.

• **Platform features improving fast**: restricted access to community groups (done), groups management by owners and moderators (end of April), notifications (planned for June), improved communication toolkit, a commitment page for public authorities (end of April).
Objective 3: Commitments to act

UPDATE ON ACTIONS

Implementating the rural action plan

- EC committed to implement all **30 actions of the EU rural action plan**
- **9 actions are already completed**, and implementation is **on-going for the other 21**: thanks to an unprecedented joint effort from 14 DGs.
- **Next steps**: the Commission will continue implementing the EU rural action plan to achieve the rural vision objectives. A further update may be considered from 2025 onwards.
Next steps
Keep supporting the facilitation of the Rural Pact as foreseen in AWP for year 2

Concrete actions

1. Support the implementation of the rural pact at national and regional levels, including designing holistic strategies and actions plan for rural areas

2. Support stronger participation of local actors in the rural pact

3. Continue the cooperation with international organisations such OECD, the World Health Organisation and the UN Habitat

4. Continue supporting the Rural Pact Coordination Group in raising awareness of rural issues among national authorities and EU institutions

5. The next rural pact conference in Spring 2025 will focus on the role of local actors, discussing ways forward for the rural pact and ideas on the post-2027 EU policies