



Introduction to working groups

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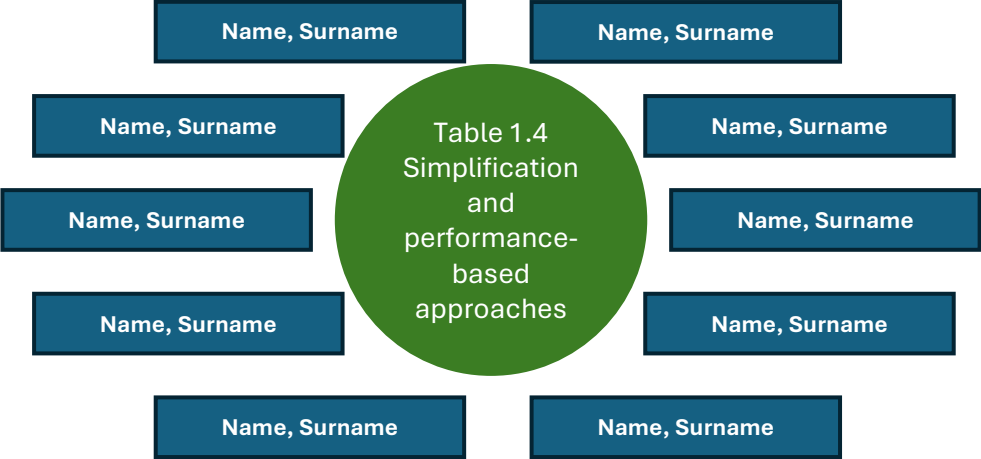
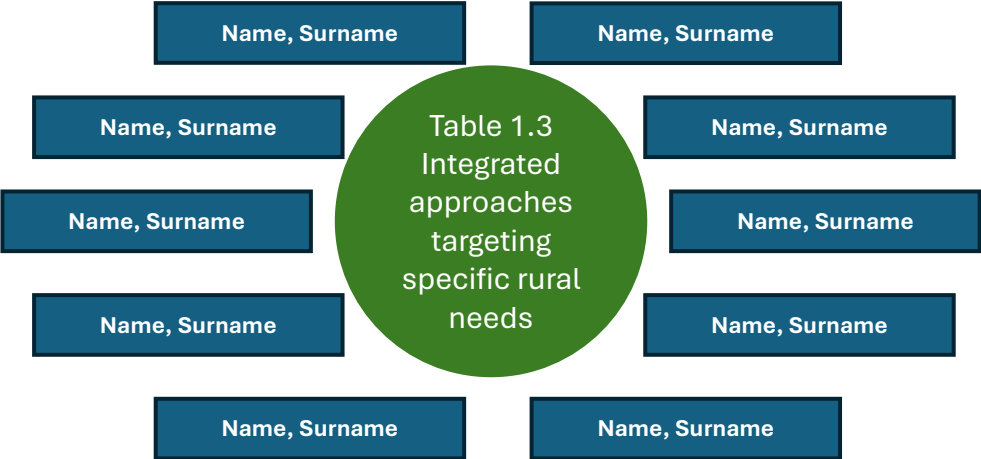
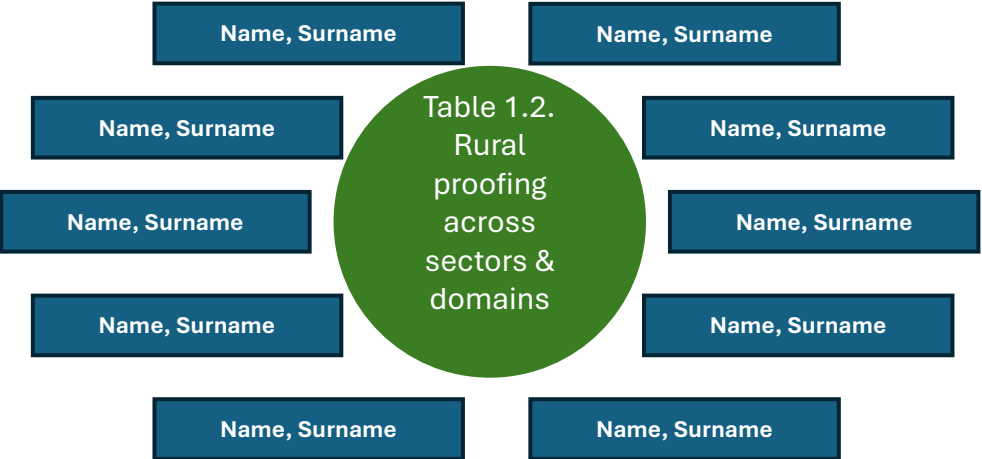
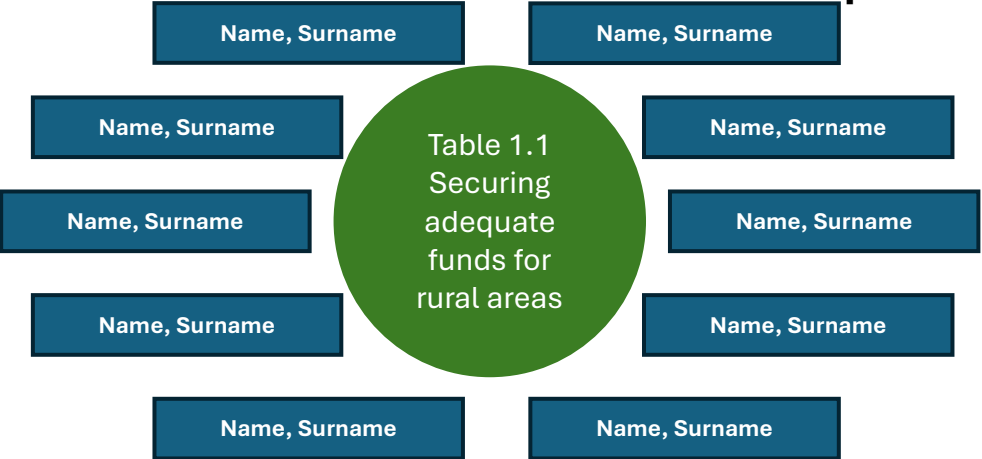
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Policy Action Lab, Rural areas and communities in the post-2027 EU budget and policies

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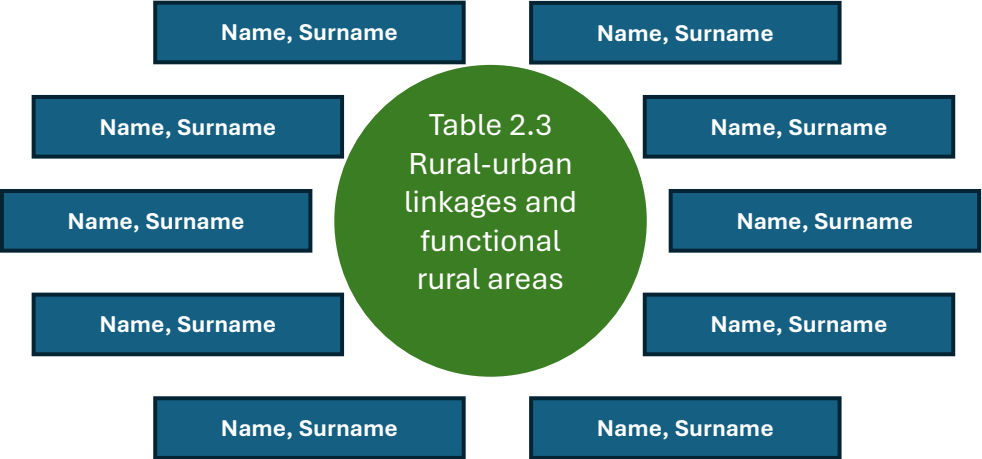
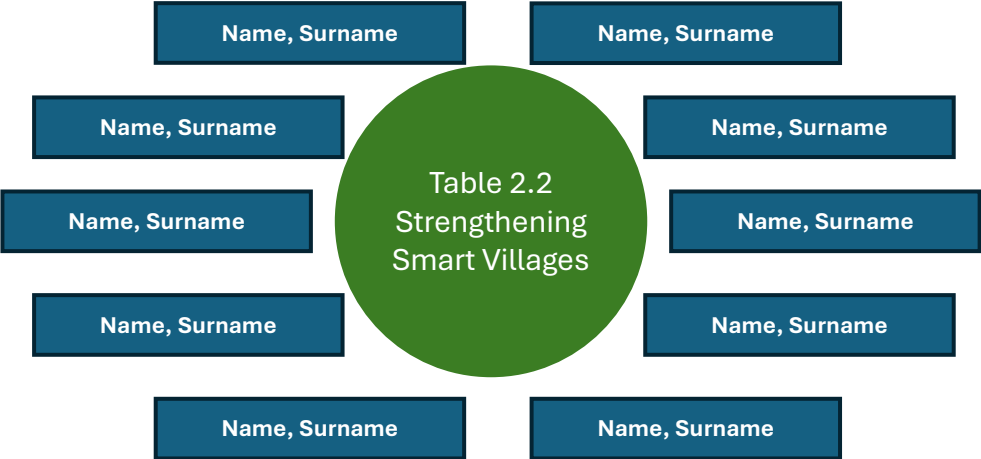
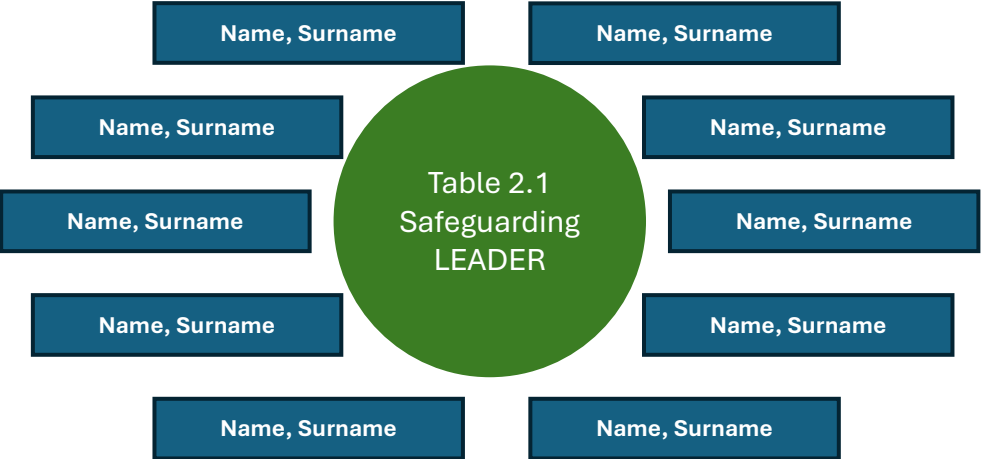


Room 1 (Thalys 1-3):
The place of rural areas and communities in next EU policies

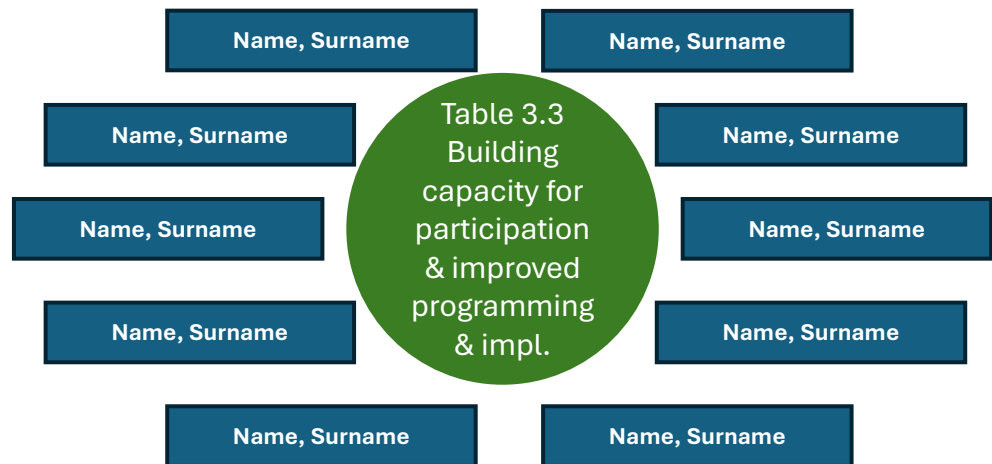
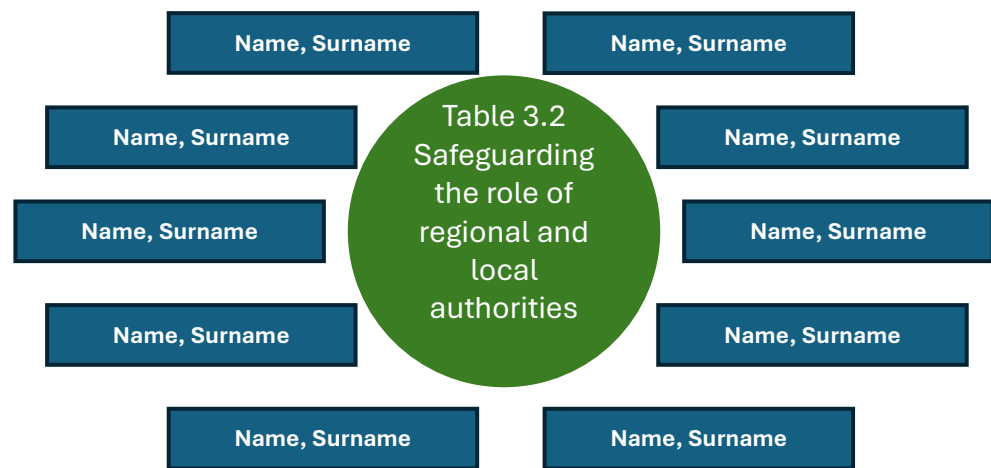
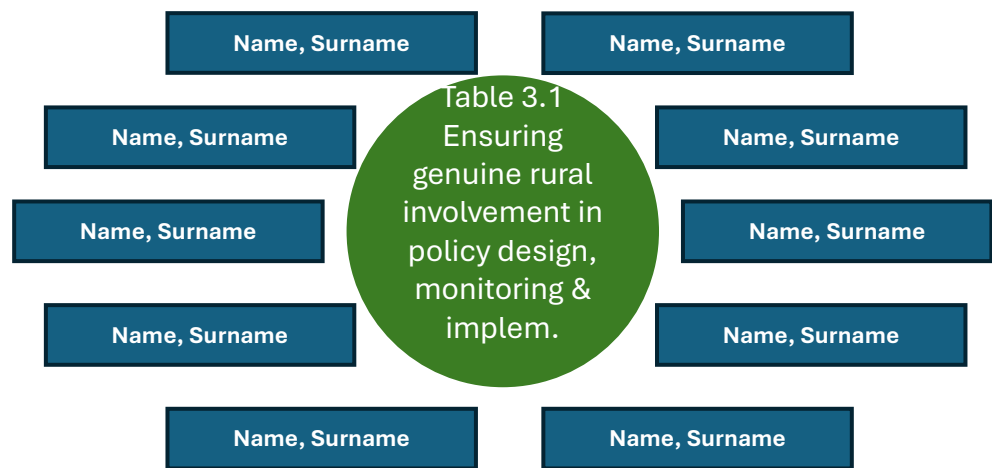


Room 2 (Eurostar):

Bottom-up approaches



Room 3 (Thalys 4):
Effective partnership



Discussion questions:

- In which way should the legislative proposals for the post-2027 EU budget and policies evolve to ensure rural issues are adequately addressed in future EU policies?
- How can the Rural Pact support policymakers and stakeholders in ensuring the voice of rural areas is heard in the policy debate at EU, national and regional levels?
- **Adapted question for each table topic**

Harvesting

- Question 1:

Proposed solution (please elaborate, where possible indicating where it should be included in EU legislation)	Potential arguments in favour of this solution?	Potential arguments against this solution?

- Question 2:

Proposed action	What difference would it make?	Which Rural Pact stakeholder should initiate the action?