



# Territorial instruments (LEADER/CLLD, Integrated Territorial Investments, and Smart Villages): lessons for the future

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## Draft agenda

Timing (CET)	Agenda items
09.00 – 09.15	<p><b>Welcome and introduction to the day</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt; <b>Outline of the event objectives and agenda</b> Patricia Martínez, Rural Pact Support Office</li> <li>&gt; <b>The long-term vision for the EU's rural areas and integrated territorial development instruments</b> Marie Lambert, DG AGRI</li> </ul>
09.15 – 10.00	<p><b>Setting the scene: lessons learned on integrated territorial development instruments for rural areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt; Findings from cohesion policy evaluations: mid-term 2021-27 and ex post 2014-20 Davide Ceccanti, DG REGIO</li> <li>&gt; Multi-sector CLLDs within CAP Strategic Plans: EU overview and case study from Poland Iwona Lisztwan, DG AGRI</li> <li>&gt; Lessons learned from the implementation of Smart Villages intervention Edina Oscko, Smart Villages Network</li> <li>&gt; CLLD in fisheries and coastal communities: achievements and lessons Monica Varonesi, FAMENET</li> </ul>

Questions & Answers



**10.00 – 11.30 Learning from experiences to shape the future**

Parallel break-out sessions to explore inspirational examples on the use of integrated territorial instruments and exchange on best ways to overcome specific obstacles in order to enhance their implementation in the future.

- > **Integrated Territorial Investments (ITIs): improving uptake and impact in rural areas**
- > **LEADER/CLLD**
- > **Smart Villages: applying place-based approaches in rural development**

**11.30 – 11.45**

**Virtual coffee break**

**11.45 – 12.45 Report back and stakeholder panel discussion: lessons for current and future implementation**

A stakeholder panel will report back main points from the group discussions and exchange views and extract lessons learned on how integrated territorial instruments can be implemented most effectively for the benefit of rural communities. The discussion will focus on practical experiences and recommendations for future implementation, with particular attention to the role stakeholders can play in ensuring their successful delivery.

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**12.45 – 13.00 Closing remarks**

- > Rural Pact Support Office
- > European Commission

