



1. Countries represented at the table

Estonia, Latvia, Finland

2. Projects already in place

- a) Delicious South Estonia:
- in Tartu LAG and in cooperation with neigbours
- producers network
- Tartu market
- Common marketing activities for local products
- Tourism
- b) Hiiumaa (Estonia):
- Meat product market
- Ecological products
- slaughterhouse+ shop
- local suppliers
- c) Hiiumaa (Estonia): to distribute local food to schools and Kindergartens
- d) Estonia and the Netherlands:
- cooperation project for producers
- study visits (spargel growing)
- e) Finland:
- taste trip,
- tourism and food
- f) Onion route

3. Planned projects

- Internet Web shop
- Markttreeffs on wheels
- Lunch at schools from local products/producers
- Community centers (service centers)
- Projects to rise the awareness
- Touristic routes about regional kitchens, food, products

- Lack of enough products and consuming is rising
- Local products into schools (price)
- Unregistered producers (teaching, training)
- Involvement of community (marketing, common goals, tourism)
- Make awareness of local products, quality, price, emotion, added value





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Belgium, Estonia

2. Projects already in place

 Village houses; at the moment only for cultural and societal purposes, not yet for business

3. Planned projects

- "Basket Project": local food for local citizens (Belgium, LAG Pays des Condruses)
- "Local food open markets": cooperation between local producers and
- "Local energy fund": for biogas and other renewable energies

- Legislation: lack of procedures and understanding
- Leader: living good examples
- Overcome traditional thinking
- Cooperation between citizens, municipality and business sector





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- Juice road
- Community of local producers and customers
- Identification of producers

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- Branding of local products
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Poland, Germany

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Germany

- Markttreffs (Schleswig-Holstein)
- So-called Dorfladen / Village shops (Brandenburg)
- Mobile dentists (Brandenburg)

Poland

- Some projects by the government concerning village shops, but no Leaderprojects
- Workshops to create handicraft products (new sources of income)

3. Planned projects

Mobile Markttreffs

4. Challenges and problems to be solved

Poland

- People prefer to go shopping in huge shopping centers instead of small village shops;
- Motivate people to support local village shops
- Improve attractiveness of village shops; owner qualification!
- Networking
- Co-financing





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- Course for regional cooking (traditional dishes)
- Country linguistic: German language course for country people
- Bicycle rally for families

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Latvia and Poland:

- Esp. young people are moving to the cities Poland
- Develop local products (added value) for tourisms purpose Latvia
- Lack of local products increase local cooperation





1. Countries represented at the table

Austria, Estonia, Belgium, Finland

2. Projects already in place

- Local projects of food-market places
- Rural development small infrastructure

3. Planned projects

- bicycle route
- Village plan and local products
- Little ports (small islands, Estonia Finland)
- Society Centers for people e.g. youth

- People work in town , rural areas / villages are just "for sleeping"
- Schools are closed in villages, economically active / important people are moving





1. Countries represented at the table

Estonia, Latvia, Slovenia

2. Projects already in place

- TNC Estonia, Finland on touristical accommodation an local food and services "loving local products"
- LAG Estonia "Tourism of Mulgimaa", "Beautiful Mulgimaa"
- International conference (organized by 4 Estonian LAGs)

3. Planned projects

- TNC on meadow orchads (Slovenian LAG)
- TNC on rural tourism (Slovenian LAG)
- TNC on local products (Estonian LAG)
- Some finnish LAGs are planning a project (2011): Peter the Great fortress to protect the Finnish Gulf; first funded by Leader, then INTERREG

- Overaged population
- Low density of population





1. Countries represented at the table

EU-Commission, Austria, Latvia, Finland

2. Projects already in place

- ICT broadband projects
- Projects for old people
- Tourism developing projects; providing services not only for tourism purpose, but also for local people

3. Planned projects

- Youth project: support for young entrepreneurs
- Every region should find its strength!

- Migration of mainly young people into cities
- How to keep village centers attractive / alive?
- How to support more networking between villages? How to overcome parish-pump politics