



Territorial development for the green transition: Harnessing the potential of rural communities

19 September 2024 (Online)

Draft Agenda

Timing	Agenda items
09.00 – 9.30	<p>Welcome and introduction to the day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Welcoming word Taru Haapaniemi, Member of Cabinet of Janusz Wojciechowski, DG AGRI, European Commission > Introduction to the day Enrique Nieto, Rural Pact Support Office
09.30 – 10.30	<p>Setting the scene: Challenges and opportunities in the green transition for rural communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > The rural vision fostering place-based action in the green transition European Commission > Addressing challenges & seizing opportunities in the green transition for rural communities Keynote speaker: A green transition in rural areas: the opportunities and challenges for local communities <p><u>Policy Panel:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > DG AGRI – tbc > Achille Hannoset, DG Energy > DG ENV – tbc
10.30 – 10.45	Virtual Coffee Break
10.45 – 12.00	<p>Session 1: Understanding how to harness the potential of rural communities to benefit from the green transition</p> <p>Stakeholders' experiences and participatory group discussions on the following topics and questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > <u>Group 1:</u> Bioeconomy > <u>Group 2:</u> Energy Communities > <u>Group 3:</u> To be defined



Questions

- What are the key opportunities for rural communities to benefit from the green transition, and what challenges are they facing?
- What are the best ways to harness the potential of rural communities in the green transition?

12.00 – 13.00

Lunch Break

13.00 – 14.15

Session 2: Enhancing territorial development tools for the green transition

Stakeholder reflections & participatory group discussions on the following question:

- What is needed to support rural communities' actions in the green transition through improved financing, delivery systems and enhanced territorial tools (e.g. LEADER CLLD, smart villages, and just transition fund, and others)?

14.15 – 14.30

Virtual Coffee Break

14.30 – 15.30

Co-creating conclusions and proposals

Report back of outcomes from group discussions

Stakeholder Panel

- What are the main recommendations to enhance the post-2027 territorial development tools (e.g. LEADER CLLD, smart villages, and others) so that rural communities benefit from the green transition?

15.30 – 16.00

Closing remarks

- > **Key takeaways from the day**
Keynote listener
- > **Next steps**
Rural Pact Support Office
- > **Closing words**
European Commission

