

Regional Conference, November 16-18, 2007, Dresden

Agricultural Policy Forum 2007

on „Agricultural and Rural Development Policies – Challenges for
Institutional Set-up and Cooperation in South Eastern Europe“

Introduction into the overall programme



Objectives of the Agricultural Policy Forum

Overall objective

- Fostering implementation of agricultural and rural development policies in SEE

Particular objectives

- Improving the institutional set-up for a sound planning, implementation and monitoring of agricultural and rural development policies
- Promoting regional cooperation to improve policy support

Major issues to be addressed

- EU-contribution to successful agricultural and rural development policy making in SEE
- Lessons learned from previous EU accession and enlargement processes
- Importance of top-down and bottom-up approaches
- Success stories of regional cooperation and best practices

Structure of the Agricultural Policy Forum

Friday, November 16

Opening

Keynote speeches:

- The new rural paradigm
- LEADER experience

**Introduction into
working group sessions**

Saturday, November 17

**Thematic speech on
Institutional set-up**

Working groups

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**Thematic speech on
Cooperation**

Working groups

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Sunday, November 18

**Panel discussion:
Future strategies for
Regional Rural
Development**

- Initial address
- Panel

**Presentation of working
group results**

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**Discussion and
approval of the
Agenda 2007**

Closing