



Rural Development Network of the Republic of Macedonia

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Establishing the Rural Development Network of the Republic of Macedonia

- Initiative – several civil associations,
- Established and registered Rural Development Network of RM in March 2010
- On grounds of human capacities and knowledge created by activities using the LEADER methodology through MAASP
- The idea for RDN of RM rests on 3 significant processes
 - Professional preparation for setting strong and stable basis for network
 - Intensive external harmonisation of ideas on ensuring participation of future membership and discussions with future key partners
 - Prepare plan on management, financing and fund raising
- The work of the RDN of RM is based on the LEADER principles and the characteristic of the bottom up approach



Simulation of the LEADER approach

- Pioneering steps by building capacities of various interested parties by introducing the LEADER method by MAASP support
- Identification of human and natural resources in 16 municipalities
- Development of local groups for rural development
- Rural development – conception
- Cooperation of public, private and NGO sector
- Integrated and endogenous (bottom up) approach in building strategies for rural development and acquiring skills
- Building a network and communication at local and inter-municipal level
- Support in preparation of sub-strategies for rural development in 16 municipalities



Simulation of the LEADER approach in 16 municipalities





Areas of support of the Rural Development Network of the Republic of Macedonia

- Providing information on rural development policies at national and international level;
- Promotion of inter-territorial cooperation, networking and exchange of good practice;
- Increase transparency of measures and realisation of set of rural development policies.
- Share knowledge of the good practices for developing capacities, specifically for LEADER
- Work with stakeholders from the rural areas and the future Local Action Groups (LAG) within LEADER, to identify their training needs and support the implementation
- Support stakeholders from the rural areas and the future LAG's in preparation of strategies and annual project programs.
- Access to information related to rural development
- Participation on debates regarding government policies and strategies influencing rural communities and contribute in bringing key decisions



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Membership in RDN of RM

- Regular members

The RDN of RM shall cooperate with 2 types of entities who either have a role of providers or users of network services

- Partners
- Users

RDN of RM bodies

- Assembly
- Management board
- President



RDN of RM – current members



Здружение на жени ткајачи



Ansambal za folklor "Stiv Naumov" Logovardi, Bitola

ZG "Svod" Berovo

ZGF "Eko-sar" Gostivar

Mladinski soviet na Pehcevo

Organizacija na zenite na Pehcevo

ZUTRZ "Napredok

ZG "Malesevska pcela" Berovo

Zdruzenie "EKE" Bitola

Ekolosko Drustvo "Brica" Berovo

ZG Proevce Centrar za ruralen razvoj

MMC "Kapрино" Kumanovo



RDN of RM partners & collaborators

- Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Water Economy
- Municipalities
- “All Sweden Shall Live” (Swedish Rural Development Network)
- Era Group HUMANOPOLIS
- Standing Working Group – SWG



Implemented activities in 2010

- Simulation of LEADER approach
- Official promotion of RDN on 8th June 2010
- Prepared communication strategy and plan for implementation
- Developed strategy for the period 2010 – 2015
- Animation of membership
- Prepared promotion materials (leaflet, web site, etc.)
- LEADER awareness training in 4 regions
- Workshops related tot RDN's Thematic Topics
- TNA of RDN's members
- Transfer of skills and knowledge NGO to NGO
- Participation at Agro food Fair November 2010
- Preparation of publication of relevant stakeholders that have impact in the rural development
- Support in organization of PREPARE gathering in Ohrid, RM



Thematic groups of the RDN

- LEADER
- Rural women economic empowerment
- Agriculture and forestry
- Utilization of the cultural heritage for development of the rural areas and promotion of the rural tourism
- Sustainable management of the environment
- Diversification of the economic activities in the rural areas



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The Rural Development Network of the Republic of Macedonia, in cooperation with its partner HUMANOPOLIS (member of the ERA Group Skopje Fair) shall organize a forum on LEADER – From Local Initiative to a Leading Concept in Rural Areas, which shall take place at the Skopje Fair Congress Centre in Skopje, as part of AgroFood, on 10 November (Wednesday) at 10 am.

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