



Transnational LAG Cooperation conference ***“Networking Works!”***

Draft Agenda

13–14 September, 2017
Vilnius

Day 1 **September 13 (Wednesday) – Arrival & tour day**

Timing	Agenda Item
9:00 – 9:30	Arrival & registration of participants <i>Meeting point: Forum Palace car park (address: Konstitucijos pr. 26, Vilnius)</i>
9:30	Departure to LAG tours (bus transfers): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tour No 1 “Vilnius-Širvintos Region”</i> • <i>Tour No 2 “Ukmergė Region”</i> • <i>Tour No 3 “Molėtai Region”</i> • <i>Tour No 4 “Švenčionys-Ignalina region”</i>
9:30 – 13:00	Visits to LAG projects sites – Round 1
13:00 – 14:30	<i>Lunch</i>
14:30 – 18:00	Visits to LAG projects sites – Round 2
18:00 – 20:00	<i>Dinner together at Šešuolėliai Manor</i> (address: Šešuolėliai I village, Širvintai district)
20:00 – 21:00	<i>Arrival to Vilnius</i>

Day 2 **September 14 (Thursday) – Conference**

Venue: LITEXPO Conference centre
Laisvės pr. 5, Vilnius

Timing	Agenda Item
9:30 – 10:00	Registration of participants
10:00 – 10:10	Welcome / introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome speeches: <i>Representative of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Lithuania</i> <i>Representative of the European Commission (tbc)</i> <i>Representative of the Lithuanian LAGs Network</i>

10:10 – 10:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the day: <i>Representative of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Lithuania</i>
Session I – Plenary session	
10:20 – 10:40	The Importance and Added Value of LEADER / CLLD Cooperation for Rural Europe & State of Play of LEADER/CLLD cooperation in EU <i>Mr Peter Toth, European Rural Network for Rural Development</i>
10:40 – 10:50	The Importance of Regional Identity <i>Mr Odd Godal, DG REGIO, European Commission</i>
10:50 – 11:00	BalticLAB <i>(tbc)</i>
11:00 – 11:10	<i>Q & A</i>
11:10 – 11:20	<i>Family Photo</i>
11:20 – 12:00	<i>Coffee & Networking</i>
Session II – Things to note about transnational cooperation in MS	
12:00 – 13:00	MS' brief presentations about transnational cooperation possibilities Estonia – <i>Ms Kristine Hindriks, Ministry of Rural Affairs;</i> Finland – <i>Ms Laura Jänis, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry;</i> Latvia – <i>Ms Jūlija Travina, Ministry of Agriculture;</i> Poland – <i>Mr Łukasz Tomczak, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development</i> Lithuania – <i>Ms Jolanta Vaičiūnienė, Ministry of Agriculture</i>
13:00 – 13:10	<i>Q & A</i>
13:10 – 14:40	<i>Networking Lunch</i>
Session III – Thematic Workshops / Projects' partners' meetings	
14:40 – 16:10	Parallel workshops: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ecology & environment <i>moderator – Mr Edgars Linde, Latvian Rural Network</i> • Local resources & entrepreneurship <i>moderator – Mr Linas Žabaliūnas, Lithuanian Countryside Tourism Association</i> • Traditions & innovations = harmony <i>moderator – Ms Lina Gumbrevičienė, Centre for LEADER Programme and Agricultural Training Methodology</i> • Improving lives & building inclusive communities <i>moderator – Ms Ave Bremse, Estonian Rural Network</i> Project partners' meetings (parallelly with workshops)
16:10 – 16:40	<i>Coffee & Networking</i>
16:40 – 17:00	Feedback from Parallel Workshops and Closing
17:00 – 18:00	<i>Last call for partnership search. Coffee & goodbyes</i>

Working language. Plenary session: Lithuanian, with simultaneous interpreting to/from English; workshops: English.