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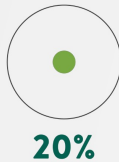


LEADER RELOADED

The ELARD conference on the heartbeat of the LEADER community

Republic of Moldova

Republic of Moldova ○ National territory ● Covered territory by Rural LAGs



These are pilot programmes and LAGs, there is no national LEADER programme in Moldova

SARD LEADER/CLLD 2014–2020

Local Action Groups (LAGs)

- ▶ 23 Rural LAGs
- ▶ 0 Fisheries LAGs
- ▶ 0 Urban LAGs

Community Lead Local Development (CLLD) Budget

- ▶ LEADER budget under EAFRD – not relevant
- ▶ CLLD ERDF budget – not relevant
- ▶ CLLD ESF budget – not relevant
- ▶ CLLD EMFF budget – not relevant

Pilot LEADER Donors

Polish AID, Lithuanian AID, Swiss Fund, UK Embassy in Moldova, Slovak AID – in the last two years

▶ 400.000€

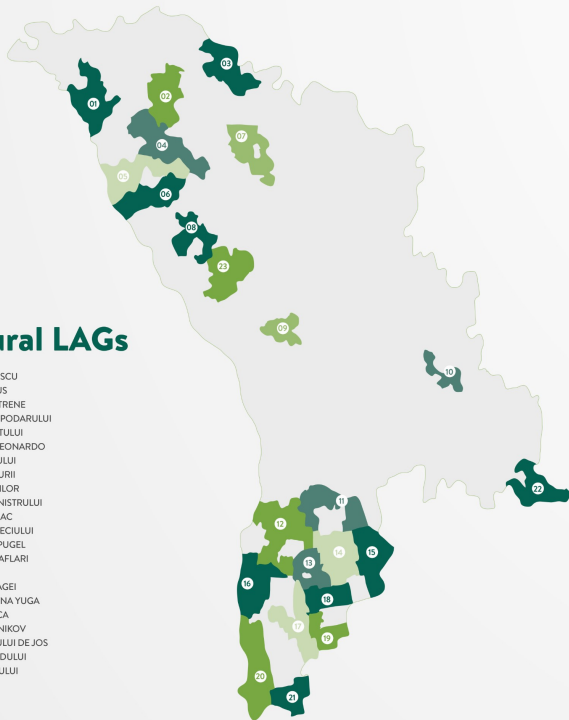
SARD

EU Neighbourhood Policy Programme

▶ 700.000€

23 Rural LAGs

- 01 VASILE STROESCU
- 02 RĂUTUL DE SUS
- 03 COLINIILE NISTRENE
- 04 DRUMUL GOSPODARULUI
- 05 STINCILE PRUTULUI
- 06 URMAȘII LUI LEONARDO
- 07 LUNCA RĂUTULUI
- 08 MOVILA MĂGURI
- 09 PLAIUL CODRILOR
- 10 SERPANTINA NISTRULUI
- 11 STEAUA BUGEAC
- 12 COLINIILE TIHECIULUI
- 13 ECO DUJ WALPURGEL
- 14 GAGAUZ KORAFIARI
- 15 ECOBUGEAC
- 16 VALEA HALMAGEI
- 17 ZHEMCHUZHINA YUGA
- 18 KILIM BUGEACA
- 19 DOLINA RODNIKOV
- 20 LUNCA PRUTULUI DE JOS
- 21 CISMEAJA SUDULUI
- 22 LUNCA NISTRULUI
- 23 CULA



SARD Programme's contribution to change

The Support to Agriculture and Rural Development (SARD) Programme is a three-year initiative of the European Union implemented by UNDP in the Republic of Moldova. The main objective of the programme is to develop regions and territorial administrative units with special status in Moldova: ATU Gagauzia, Taraclia and neighbouring municipalities. The SARD LEADER/CLLD initiative is an adaptation of the European LEADER Principles in Moldova. The values behind the SARD LEADER methodology are building on local resources and participation, empowering potential local "change-makers", and generating innovative projects. On a national level, SARD LEADER contributes to the process whereby the Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment (WARDE) is setting up the national LEADER Programme for Rural Development in Moldova. SARD LEADER is also a model for national non-governmental organizations (NGOs) piloting LEADER/CLLD all around the country. Based on the SARD model and some other examples, there have been 23 LAG initiatives created in Moldova in the last two years, covering about one third of the rural areas. This fast-growing number of LAG initiatives shows the interest and strong willingness of villages to work in territorial and stakeholder partnerships.

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What has happened in frame of the SARD LEADER/CLLD initiative before now?

2016
Local implementation of the SARD LEADER Initiative started with an awareness-raising campaign aimed at mobilizing local partners in targeted regions. The result was the creation of eight local rural development partnerships, covering the greater part of the rural areas of ATU Gagauzia, Taraclia and villages in neighboring districts. Following the bottom-up, territorial and partnership principles, the eight local initiatives have formalized their LAGs, which were the first flagships in Moldova.

2017

To accord with the principle of integrated development, SARD LAGs have designed their strategic action plan, including economic, social, cultural and environmental actions and projects. Each LAG has generated and/or identified 80-150 local project owners and projects. The prepared strategy and implementation plan is for 5 years.

2018

LAG management teams and LAG offices have been set up in each SARD LAG. On the beginning of the year, local project design, submission and implementation started, financed by the EU through SARD and other channels. About 110 local LEADER projects will be carried out this year in ATU Gagauzia, Taraclia and in neighboring communities within the framework of the SARD LEADER/CLLD initiative. These projects promote economic, social and environmental development and were selected under a locally announced grants competition. The network for LEADER/CLLD LAGs is under formulation in Moldova with technical contribution of the EU-UNDP SARD Programme.

Estimated time of registration of the "Network Association for LEADER/CLLD in Moldova": November 2018.

Scope and range of activity:

- Build the network of the established LEADER groups in Moldova and to agree the contents of the statute of the national network
- Take part in the work of the LEADER Coordination Committee, established by the Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment in Moldova. The main aim of the Committee is to contribute to the setup of the National LEADER Programme in Moldova.
- Participate on the ELARD event and a study visit in Portugal (19 persons) financed by SARD Programme.



Market of the LAG initiatives in Gagauzia.



Serghei is honey maker from Musait village. LAG Jemchujina Yuga contributes to extension and modernization of his beehive.



Moldovan LAGs preserve their great multicultural heritage.



Plenty of young local people participated in the LAG strategy making process in Moldovan LAGs.



Signature of the LAG partnership agreement is a great moment in the life of the Moldovan LAGs.



LAG Gagauz Korafari. Landscape from the Bugeac steppe, where the Gagauzian people live.



There were more than 300 participants of the first LAG network meeting in the history of Moldova in November 2017.



Traditional welcome for guests at LAG ECO Bugeac with locally made bread and wine.



LAG president and LAG managers in the newly opened office of LAG Bugeac Kilim.



Creating a common green place for sport, events and just to meet – it is the plan of each community in the remote villages of South Moldova. LAG park project in Cazakia.



Thanks to LAG Kilim Bugeac, I am working on the modernization of my restaurant – says the woman entrepreneur in Cazakia – and the terraces will be linked to the new park.



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