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# Parliaments as a tool for participative democracy

2nd Balkan Rural Parliament



# PREPARE: Partnership for Rural Europe

EUROPEAN NETWORK OF 21 MEMBER ORG. SINCE 1999



REPRESENTATION IN FOLOWING CONSULTATIVE BODIES

European Rural Parliament Steering Group

European Rural Network Assembly

Rural Network's Steering Group

LEADER/CLLD Sub-group

Rural Development Civil Dialogue Group

Civil Dialogue Group of Experts in European Structural and Investment Founds

COORGANISER OF EUROPEAN RURAL PARLIAMENT





# Rural people



Rural
Development- still
new concept

**Economics** 

Social life

Quality of life



#### Participative democracy- important elements

#### Advocasy

Advocasy is public support for or recommendation of a particular cause or policy.

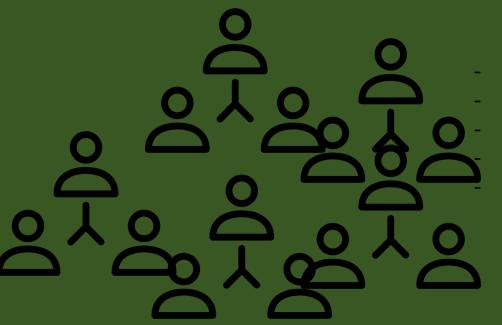
#### Networking

Network is the way how public can do advocasy

## INFORMING



We will do like this!!!



Spreading information

Consulting

Inspiring

Explaining

**Promoting** 

# CONSULTING



How can we do better?

I have knowledge

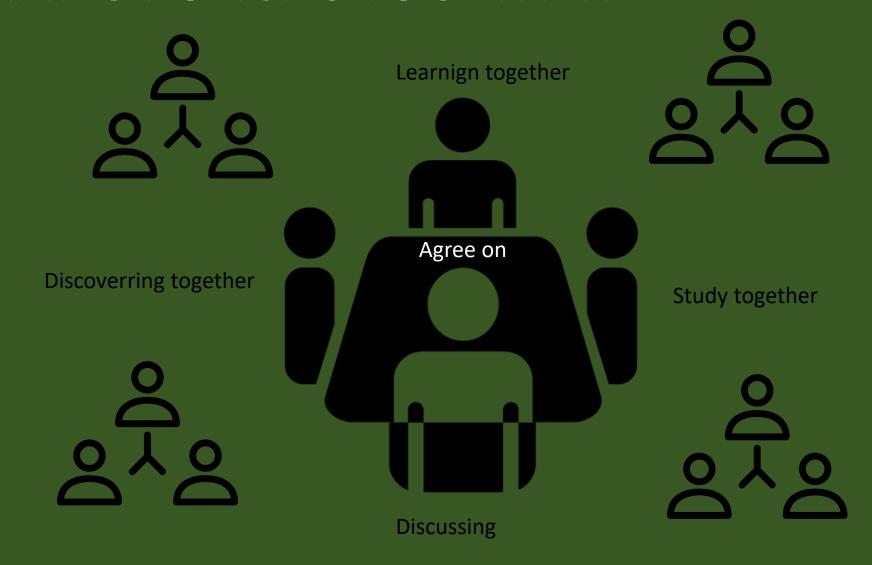
I can ask more people

I have experience

I have tried

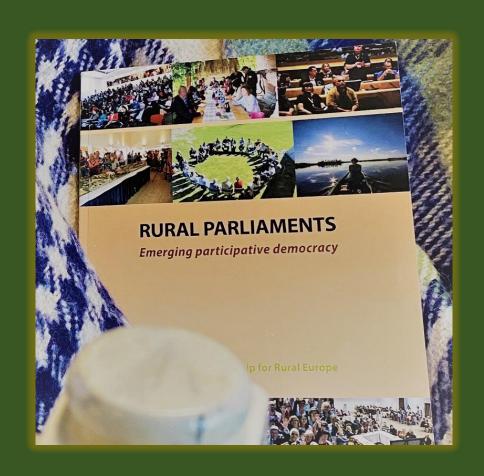
I have seen...

## SHAPING POLICIES TOGETHER



# TOOL FOR RURAL DEV. NETWORKS: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIOANL PARLIAMENTS

- Informing
- Consulting
- Shaping policies together





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