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The new European context for 2021-2027

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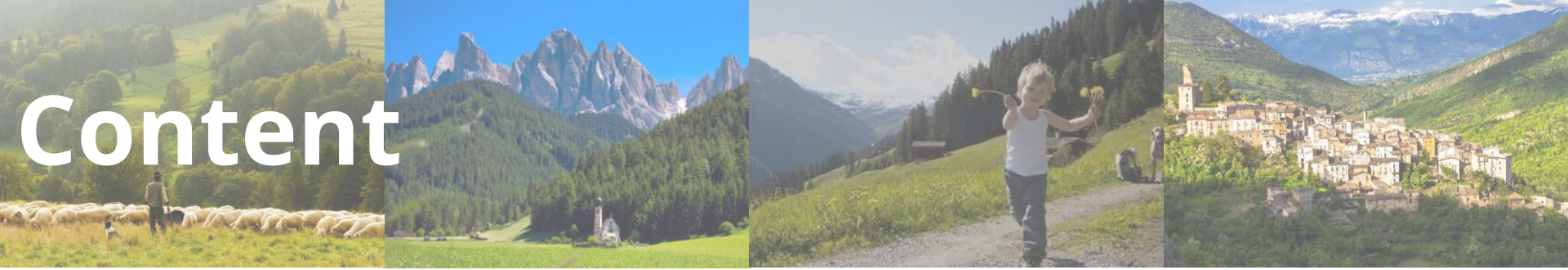
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and climate change adaptation, MIDMACC,

7 June 2021, online



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Content



- ▶ What is Euromontana?
- ▶ A greener CAP?
- ▶ Long-Term Vision for Rural Areas
- ▶ Conference for the Future of Europe
- ▶ EU Action Plan for Pastoralism?

Facts & figures on European Mountains



- **36 % of Europe's area (29% EU)** is defined as mountainous
- **17 % of Europe's population (13% of EU)** live in mountain areas



- **18% of Europe's agricultural holdings** are in mountain areas
- **35% of PDOs and PGIs** are produced in mountain areas



- **43 % of Natura 2000 areas** are mountainous
- **15% of EU species** exclusively exist in mountain areas



- **13% of tourism** by EU residents
- **95 million long-stay tourists** and **60 million day-trip** visitors visit the Alps every year

What is Euromontana?



- ▶ European **multisectoral** association for cooperation and development of mountain areas (since 1996)
- ▶ Around 65 members from 15 countries
- ▶ Comprising :
 - regional and local authorities
 - regional development agencies
 - chambers of commerce and industry
 - agriculture organisations
 - environmental organisations
 - research organisations
 - training institutes...



Diversity of members = strength → increased interest from institutions

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History 1996 - up to now

Founding members

- Albania, Bulgaria, UK (Scotland), Spanish Basque Country, France, Greece, Italy, Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Switzerland, Czech Republic)

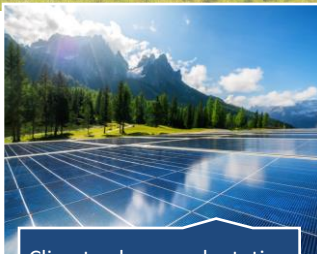
Constitution

- “non-profit and scientific organisation, with international vocation, neutral in terms of religion and politics”
- NGO Law 1901 (registered in France)

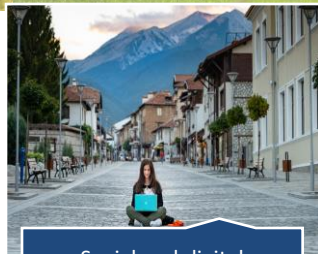
Object: Improving the living conditions of the mountain populations of Europe

- expression, promotion and **defense** of the cultural, economic, political and scientific **interests of the mountain populations**
- valorisation of research in mountainous areas
- informing public opinion on mountain problems
- encouragement of training and research in mountainous areas
- development of international cooperation to reduce inequalities between the mountain regions of Europe

Working themes: all working topics



Climate change adaptation & mitigation



Social and digital innovation



Rural Development



Territorial cohesion



Research (with NEMOR)



Environment, biodiversity, ecosystem services



Services of general interest



Youth & education



Sustainable Energy



Sustainable Tourism



Agriculture



Mountain products

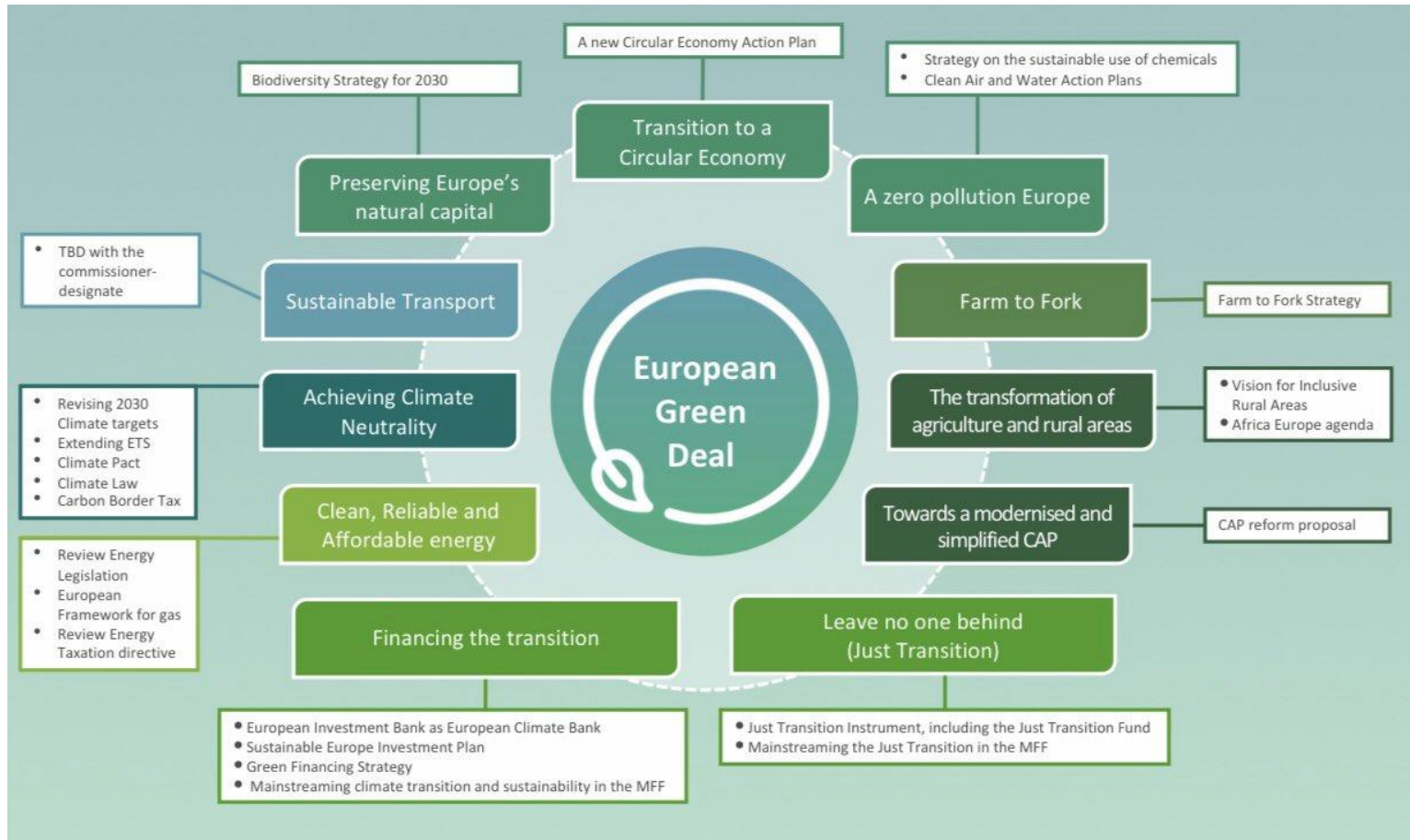


Forestry

A new European context

- ▶ A new and greener CAP?
- ▶ A Long-Term Vision for Rural Areas
- ▶ Conference for the Future of Europe
- ▶ An EU Action Plan for Pastoralism?

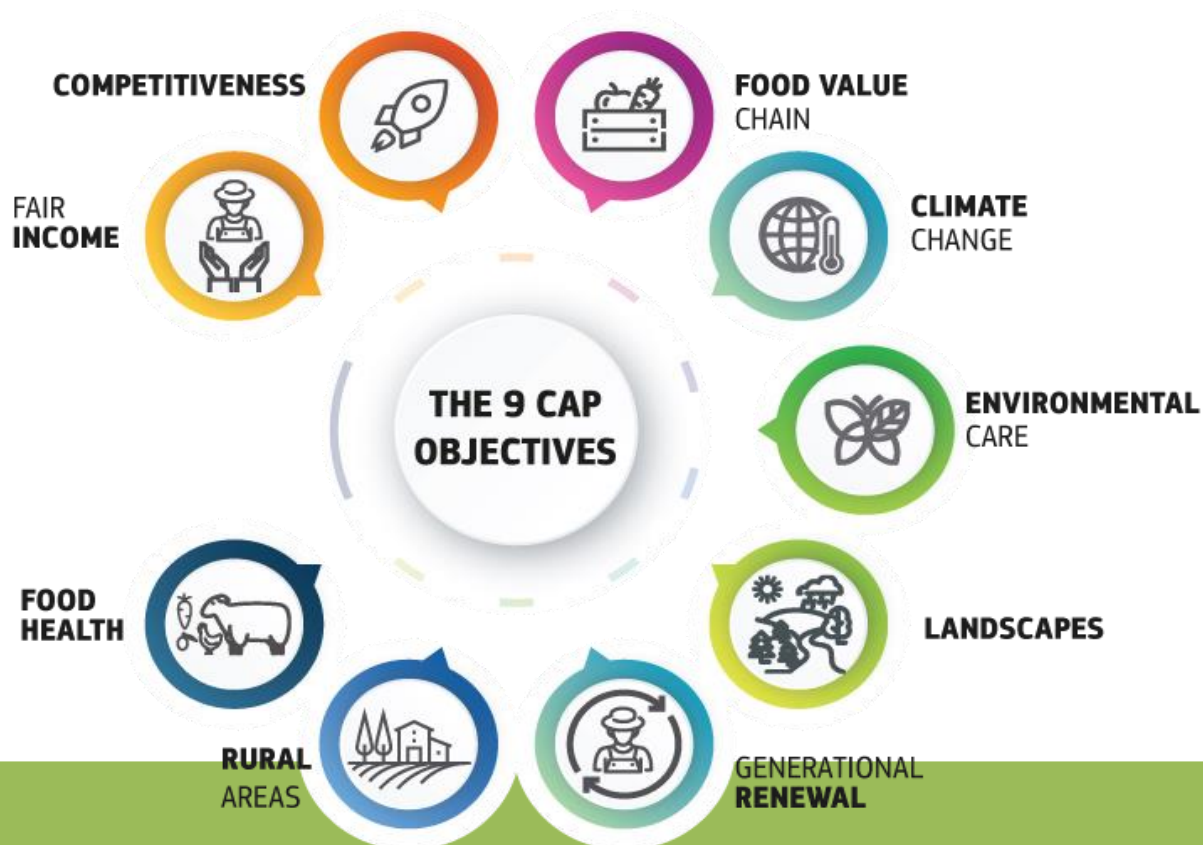
A New European Green Deal



Source: European Commission

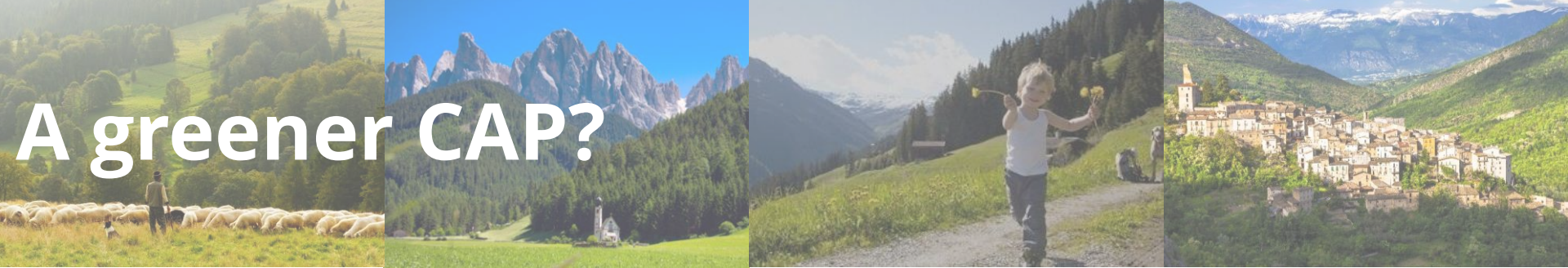
CAP: 9 new objectives

- ▶ With a new delivery model
- ▶ And a more results-based approach

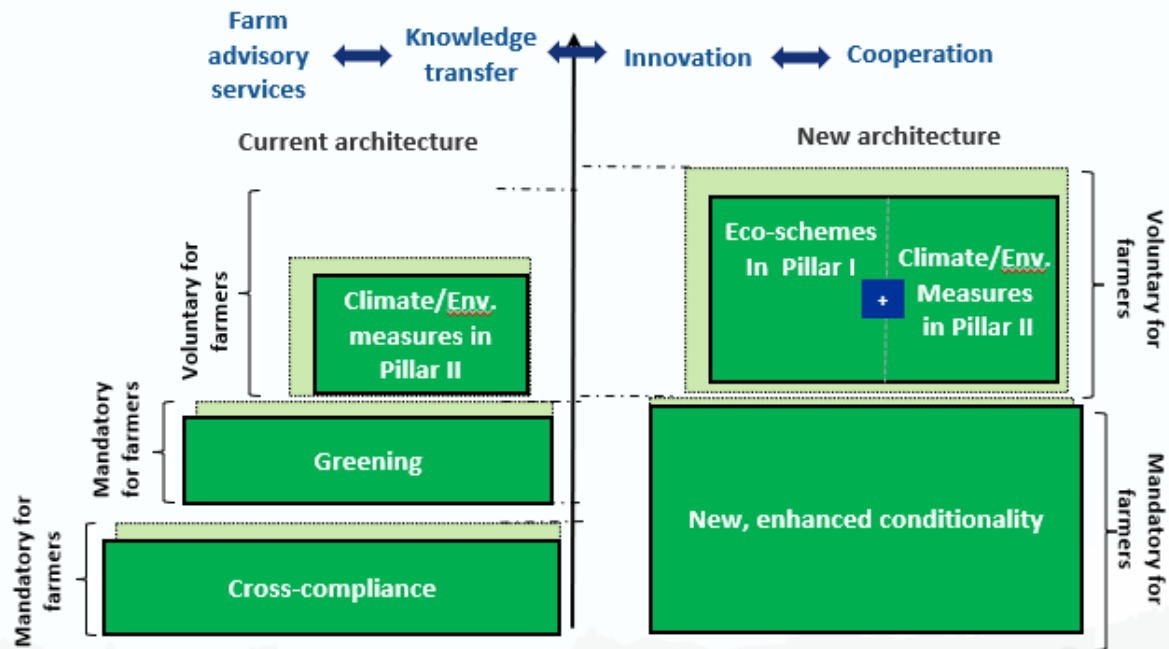


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A greener CAP?

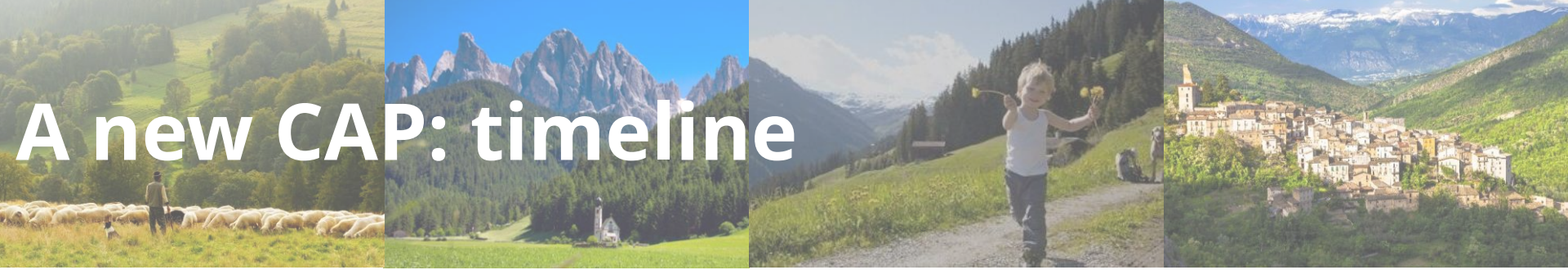


The new green architecture of the CAP



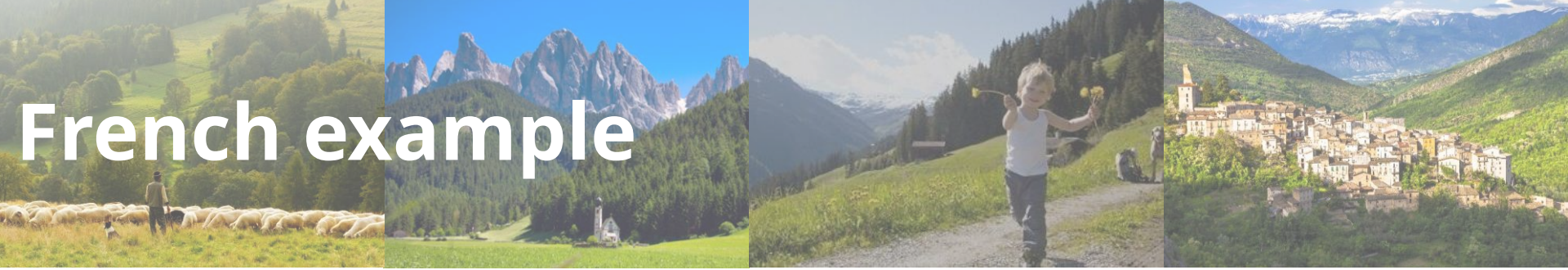
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A new CAP: timeline



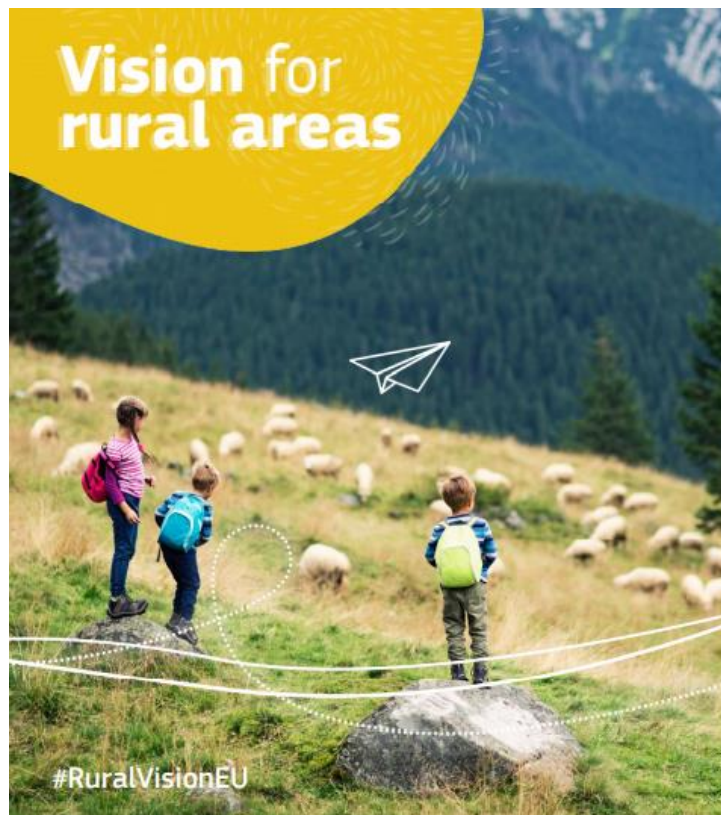
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French example



- ▶ Already well advanced in discussion
- ▶ Everything linked to surfaces for the State inc. ANC
- ▶ Everything not linked to surfaces for regions:
 - Investment
 - Installation

A Long-Term Vision for Rural Areas



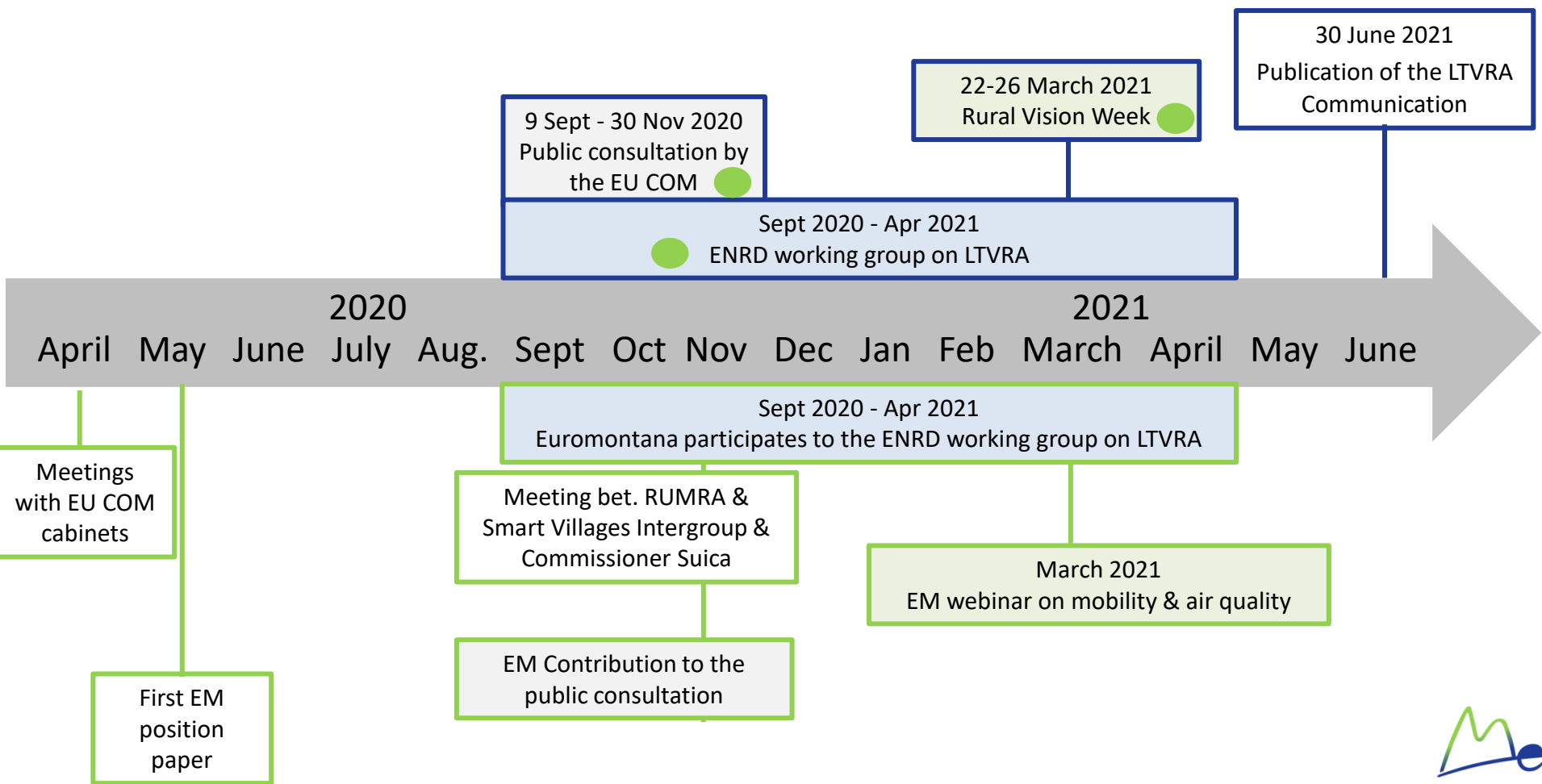
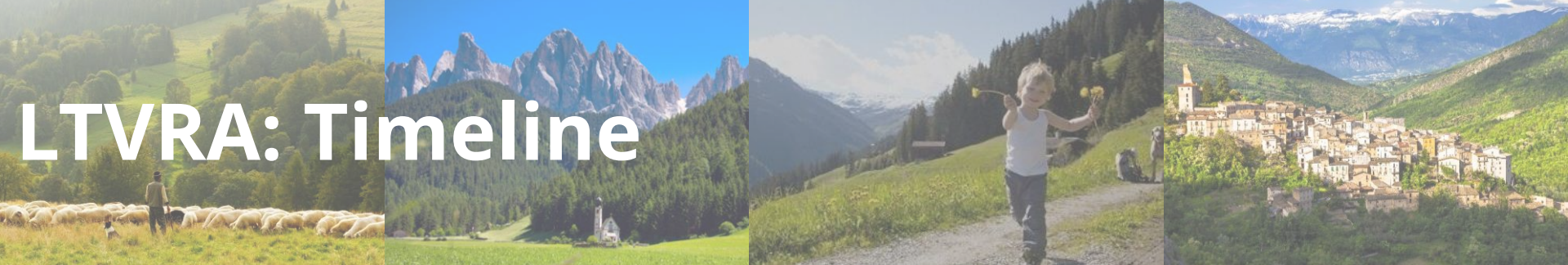
Communication from the Commission

- Scheduled for **June 2021**
- **Vision for the future of rural areas by 2040** and actions needed to achieve it
- Will Launch a **debate on the role of rural areas in society**

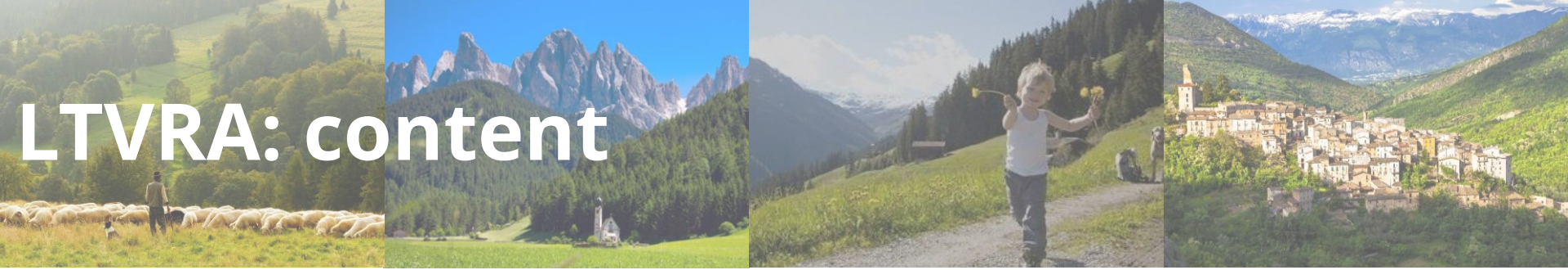


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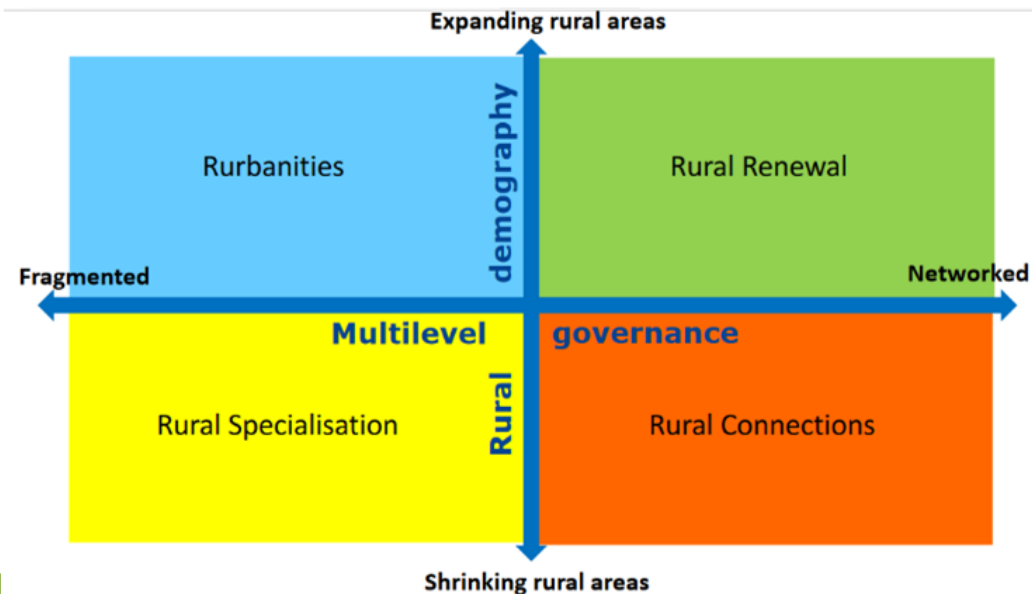
LTVRA: Timeline



LTVRA: content



- ▶ An Action Plan with concrete measures and monitoring indicators
- ▶ A state of the art of the situation
- ▶ Different possible scenarios and solutions



Source: TG ENRD LTVRA, JRC

Solutions towards...



- ▶ Creating vibrant rural areas while also respecting cultural heritage
- ▶ Boosting economic prosperity and innovation
- ▶ Ensuring smart and connected rural areas
- ▶ Enhancing resilience and sustainability



Conference for the Future of Europe

- ▶ What future for Europe?
- ▶ Large online consultation:
 - To share ideas and events
 - Everyone can contribute
- ▶ One year from 9th May 2021

Conference for the Future of Europe



**Changement climatique et
environnement**



Santé



**Une économie plus forte, justice
sociale et emploi**



L'UE dans le monde



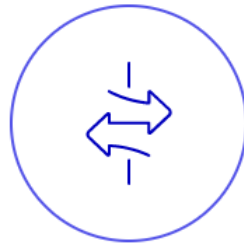
**Valeurs et droits, état de droit,
sécurité**



Transformation numérique



Démocratie européenne



Migration



Éducation, culture, jeunesse et



Autres idées

Source: European Commission

An EU Action Plan for Pastoralism?

- ▶ Request of the Committee of the Regions
- ▶ Conference on 14th June 2021 on:
 - Pastoralism: a crucial way to tackle sustainability challenges in EU and beyond [more info here](#)
- ▶ Support for 2026 as the International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists

▶ OREKA MENDIAN:

- improving sustainable management of permanent Grasslands
- 31 Good Practices Guide
- Study (soon to come)



Some final words



- ▶ A new EU context that could benefit to mountain areas
 - If we seize the opportunities, incl. on greening
 - If we innovate and anticipate the coming changes, incl. for CC adaptation
- ▶ A closer attention to people / areas that should NOT be left behind
- ▶ Covid-19 crisis that highlighted even more the benefices of living in mountain areas

A man in a dark blue jacket and black pants is hiking on a grassy mountain ridge. He is carrying a young child on his back in a grey and red backpack. The child is wearing a black beanie and a red jacket. They are looking out over a vast mountain range under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The foreground is filled with tall, golden-brown grasses.

Thank you !

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