

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR PREPARE MEMBERS - GA2021



Members of PREPARE are invited to save the date for the 2021 General Assembly of our association. We plan to organise it in a mixed format, i.e. face to face with the possibility to attend remotely.

Date: 18 June 2021

Place: Slovakia, Banská Bystrica

Agenda will be distributed shortly to the members of PREPARE

CAP-CAFÉS: INVITATION TO PLAN THE FIRST EVENT



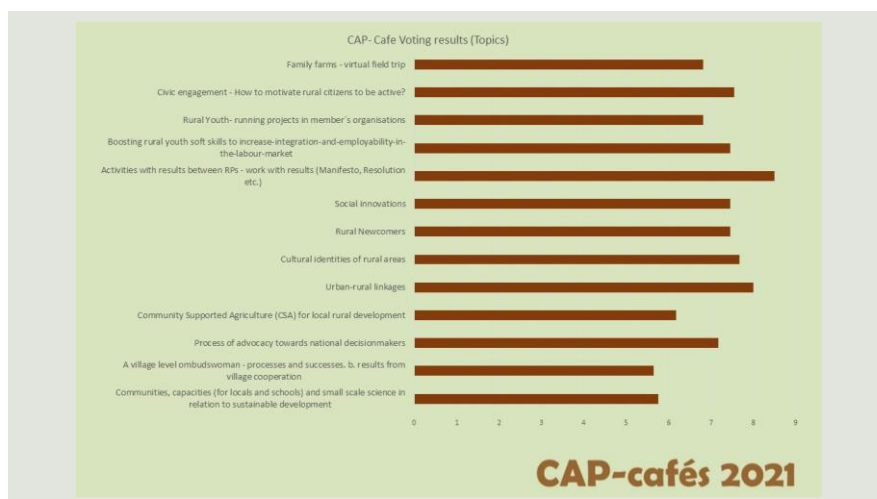
CAP-café 2021

Capacities and Partnership come together

After the encouraging process of collecting ideas for the themes of PREPARE CAP-café 2021, we are inviting all members and partners interested in

the topic "Between Parliaments - Advocacy" to participate in the preparatory meeting for the 1st CAP-Café. The working meeting will be organised on the 5th of March at 16:00 CET. If you are interested in designing the content of this Café, send information via email to: info@prepare-network.eu

Work on other Café topics is under way. See the results of members' survey below:



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THE 5th ERP GATHERING IN KIELCE (POLAND) POSTPONED



Due to restrictions linked to COVID, the 5th ERP gathering is postponed to autumn 2022. This will give better chances to organise a traditional face-to-face Gathering with many participants, and offers the possibility to keep up with Gathering traditions and activities in

the true "Parliament" spirit. The ERP process is going on and we will keep you posted on the next steps, events and all the actions you can do at home to raise awareness about rural concerns and possibilities.

You can follow ERP here: <https://europeanruralparliament.com/>

PREPARE PRESIDENT MEETS PRESIDENT AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF AEIDL



The official introduction meeting for AEIDL Managing director Claire Jordan and President of PREPARE network Āris Ādleris was organised on the 11th of February, 2021. The meeting was organised thanks to President of AEIDL and PREPARE member Marta Marcziš representing the Hungarian Rural Parliament

AEIDL is the European Association for Information on Local Development. AEIDL's activities and expertise cover the environment and sustainable development, territorial development (rural, urban, regional and local), employment and social affairs, and citizenship. This includes vocational training and professional integration, support for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and the information society. Coming from many different countries, the members of the General Assembly, the Board and the staff of AEIDL are all active in one or more of these fields.

During the one hour meeting, the main fields of potential cooperation were defined. Both organisations expressed good spirit of collaboration and high potential for further activities. More information here: <https://www.aeidl.eu/en/>

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CAP POST 2020 NEGOTIATIONS AND TRANSITION REGULATIONS - MAIN TOPICS DURING THE MEETING OF THE “CDG RURAL DEVELOPMENT”

On February 11, 2021 PREPARE president participated in the meeting of the European Commission’s Civic Dialogue Group “Rural Development”



The main topics discussed during the meeting was: (1) Presentation by the Commission: State of play of the CAP post 2020 negotiations with a focus on the green architecture - links between Eco-schemes and agri-environmental-climate measures (AECM). (2) State of play on the Delegated act for sustainable finance taxonomy, (3) Update from the Commission on the transition regulation (including EU Recovery Instrument for rural development) and the consequences for the RDPs. (4) Long term vision for rural areas - state of play. (5) Results of the “Evaluation support study on the impact of the CAP on sustainable management of the soil”
If you are interested in any of these topics, presentations are available. Make a request to info@prepare-network.eu

RURAL VISION WEEK



The European Network for Rural Development (ENRD), in close cooperation with the European Commission, is organising a virtual event - ‘Rural Vision Week: Imagining the future of Europe’s rural areas’ between 22 and 26 March 2021.

Read more: https://enrd.ec.europa.eu/news-events/events/rural2040-vision-week_en

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PERMANENT SUB-GROUP ON LEADER AND CLLD DEVELOPMENT

On February 23, 2021, the PREPARE president and vice-president participated in a meeting of the Permanent Sub-Group on LEADER and CLLD Development.



The main topics discussed during the meeting was: (1) LEADER implementation progress and Commission initiatives relating to LEADER (2) ENRD activities related to LEADER, (3) Overview of planned LEADER activities in the transition period and for recovery from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic (4) LEADER/CLLD Subgroup survey: to share members experience on the achievements and challenges of the Sub-group, in view of its current role and possible future needs.

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UPCOMING NATIONAL RURAL PARLIAMENTS

	DATE	COUNTRY	NAME	
	March 4- 5, 2021	Albania	2 nd ALBANIAN RURAL PARLIAMENT	
https://anrd.al/second-rural-parliament/				
	March 6, 8, 11, 16, 18	Scotland	The virtual Scottish Rural Parliament	
https://www.sra.scot/our-work/scottish-rural-parliament				

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