TNC-coordinators in Finnish LAGs

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- 86 preliminary surveys
- 94 TNC-projects
- Topics: young people 28 projects, tourism 19, culture 18, village development 11, entrepreneurship 10, environment 8
- 75 % of Finnish LAGs implemented TNCproject(s)

TNC-coordinators

- 25 % of Finnish LAGs had a TNC-coordinator
 - TNC-coordinators have been financed by LAGs.
 - They have been working in TNC-activation projects funded through their own Leader budgets.
 - One TNC-coordinator has work between 1 to 4 LAGs
- TNC-coordinator's role
 - Energise stakeholders
 - Help in TNC-project planning
 - Help to find project partners
 - Assist in project implementation
 - The idea is that TNC-coordinators **do not** themselves implement TNC-projects. They energise, guide and help stakeholders in TNC-project implementation



Experiences

- TNC-coordinators are a good way to boost TNC-cooperation
 - For example the two most active coordinators helped to successfully implement one third of Finnish TNC-projects
- Transnational cooperation has to have a clear link to the LAG's strategy and LAG boards have to support cooperation
 - LAGs have to "invest" in transnational cooperation, TNC-coordinators are a good strategical tool for that
 - TNC-coordinators help to explore and use other funding possibilities.

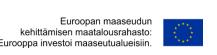
TNC is based on interpersonal relations and trust between partners

- TNC-coordinators are the key players in this work, but the goal is to build larger cooperation networks and not rely on one individual

TNC-coordinators' expertise is also used outside their area

- Excellent pool of TNC-knowledge
- Dissemination of good practices
- National TNC-days twice a year organized by NSU









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