

Smart Villages Support Estonia



How is the concept of Smart Villages defined?



No formal definition of 'Smart Villages' in Estonia.

Is digital innovation a key feature?

Digital is not perceived as the main aspect of Smart Villages.

Is social innovation a key feature?

No specific information available on this aspect.

How is Smart Villages supported by the CAP?



CAP 2014-2022

No specific Smart Villages interventions identified.

- **LEADER/CLLD** (Estonian [LEADER Smart Villages training](#))

CAP 2023-2027

Yes, direct Smart Villages interventions are planned:

- **LEADER/ CLLD** is expected to support Smart Village initiatives.

National Rural Network/ CAP Network support for Smart Villages

Specific networking activities, such as training/workshops, seminars, and dissemination activities are organised on the topic of Smart Villages.

- Organising **exchange of practice** with other Member States (e.g. Poland, Latvia, Finland).
- **Exchange within the European Network** for Rural Development (ENRD) and the Smart Rural 21 project.
- Collaborating with and supporting the **Estonian National Smart Villages programme** implemented by Local Action Groups (LAGs).

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How is Smart Villages supported by other policies?

No other policies supporting Smart Villages have been identified at this stage.

Where to find more information?



For **more detailed information** (including other funding sources and contacts) please visit the 'What's happening in my country' pages of the Smart Rural 21 project:

<https://www.smartrural21.eu/countries/estonia/>

For information on **smart villages and 'villages-in-transition'** in the country:

<https://www.smartrural27.eu/smart-communities/>

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