

Smart Villages Support Hungary



How is the concept of Smart Villages defined?



No formal definition of 'Smart Villages' in Hungary.

Is digital innovation a key feature?

Digital innovation is highlighted as one of the key features of the concept.

Is social innovation a key feature?

Social innovation is highlighted as one of the key features of the concept.

How is Smart Villages supported by the CAP?



CAP 2014-2022

Indirectly, no specific Smart Villages intervention:

- **LEADER/ CLLD** to a limited extent

CAP 2023-2027

Yes, specific Smart Village intervention is planned

Specific intervention

In the Hungarian CAP Strategic Plan, an intervention has been introduced under the Cooperation Measure to help digital transition of small settlements and prepare Smart Village strategies. The strategies need to focus on different aims at the same time, such as digital and social issues, specified in the Strategic Plan.

LEADER/CLLD

The Smart Villages topic might be supported through LEADER Local Action Groups under their Local Development Strategies.

National Rural Network/ CAP Network support for Smart Villages

No specific network activities on Smart Villages have been identified.

However, the CAP network has been set up and is mapping the possible actions that might support the preparation of Smart Village strategies and the creation of Smart Villages.

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How is Smart Villages supported by other policies?

Digital Wellbeing Programme and as part of this, the Digital Village Programme will be supported under multiple EU and national funds, and are expected to support larger infrastructural projects at the central/national level (e.g. national digital portals, etc.).

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EU - Interreg: the transnational approach makes it possible to bring new ideas and new tools for the implementation of a Smart Village strategy. The Hungarian-Slovakian 'Smart Communities - Virtual Education and Research and Development and Innovation Network in the Slovakian - Hungarian border region' and the 'Smart Communities 2.0 - How to be smart in the countryside?' projects are examples that support the smartness of rural settlements through the development of specific cross-border services.

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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/hungary/>

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

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

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