

# AUSTRIA TASKFORCE

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## THE PURPOSE

- Translating the EU definition of SV to the national context
- Analysing 83 LEADER LDS and deriving needs for capacity building
- Reinforcing regional support (pilot Styria)

## MEMBERS

8 Members: Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Regions, Forestry and Water Management, FFG (Austrian Research Promotion Agency), national LEADER association, federal province of Styria, Smart Village Stanz

## OUTCOMES

### Analysis of 83 Local Development Strategies

This analysis showed that almost all AT LAGs are planning the implementation of Smart Villages. Most important topics: center development, vacant buildings, mobility, basic services.

### Translation of Smart Village characteristics

To show the added value of Smart Villages in the variety of national development approaches, following the EU definition a set of characteristics were formulated. Each characteristic was described as a “continuum”, defined by context and ambition.

## MAIN CHALLENGE

The taskforce was active in the starting phase of the CAP23-27, so it was not easy to assess the practicability of the outcomes.

## IMPACT & SUSTAINABILITY

Learnings from analyzing 83 LEADER local development strategies and the Taskforce discussions **inform the design of the “Smart Village Challenge”** and guide the support activities offered by the AT CAP network.

## ACTIVITIES

**Dec 13, 2022**

Kick-Off meeting with taskforce members

**May 22, 2023**

2nd taskforce meeting: presenting the pilot analysis of 16 Styrian LDS

**May 24, 2023**

Pilot capacity building event for Styrian LAGs and regional managements

**Oct 3, 2023**

3rd taskforce meeting: presenting the analysis of 83 AT LDS and discussing the translation of the EU SV definition

**Dec 11, 2023**

4th taskforce meeting: discussing “Smart Villages challenge”, good practice transfer and innovation platform

