

GUIDE TO "HOW TO PREPARE A SMART VILLAGE CONCEPT"

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ASSUMPTIONS CONCERNING THE GUIDE

- ▶ It is proposed to prepare a guide containing recommendations regarding the preparation and implementation of the concept of smart villages in Poland using the funds of the PS CAP for 2023-2027:

Part I - for LAGs regarding the inclusion of SV in LDS for 2023-2027

II part - for the community regarding the implementation of SV in the LEADER intervention / Community-led development

Part III - for the managing authority regarding the assessment and implementation rules for projects resulting from the SV concept in the intervention Infrastructure in rural areas and the implementation of the concept of smart villages

- ▶ It is assumed that individual parts of the guide will be discussed within the task force
- ▶ The preparation of the guide will be financed under the SV27 project.

Part I - recommendations for LAGs regarding the inclusion of smart villages in LDS

- ▶ Smart Village in local development strategies - at the stage of their preparation, taking into account both supporting the preparation of concepts and resulting projects
- ▶ Smart villages as a way to address specific needs resulting from SWOT, is it supposed to be a model for implementing various needs?
- ▶ How to link smart villages with the objectives of LDS (according to the requirements of the competition, LDS are to implement a maximum of 3 objectives, the exception is multi-fund LDS).
- ▶ Should LDS limit the scope of projects to be covered by smart villages, set some priorities, e.g. if the LDS area experiences depopulation, should this be the guiding principle?
- ▶ What should be the framework for LDS competitions financing projects resulting from the SV concept ? What selection criteria?

Part II - recommendations for local communities regarding the preparation of the concept of smart villages

- ▶ Detailing what the concept of smart villages should contain in order to be an operational, synthetic document
- ▶ Description based on the elements of the SV concept included in the SP WPR:
 - ❑ description of the concept development process, including consultation of the partnership's results with the community
 - ❑ simplified SWOT analysis of the area covered by this concept,
 - ❑ a plan to involve the community in the subsequent possible implementation of this concept, taking into account the role of the village head or the village council in this process,
 - ❑ a list of projects that will make up the implementation of this concept, taking into account the digital or environmental or climate component.

Part III - recommendations for the managing authority regarding the intervention Infrastructure in rural areas and the implementation of the concept of smart villages

- ▶ how to assess consistency with the concept defined for LEADER intervention (what elements of the concept), how to evaluate projects to be implemented under the concept not financed from LEADER funds,
- ▶ the method of conducting the competition - what at the voivodship level and what at the national level, recommendations regarding the role of the region (voivodeship self-governments) and the national level (MRiRW) in the process of organizing the competition and project evaluation,
- ▶ role and competences of experts participating in the assessment, description of individual selection criteria to support the evaluators,
- ▶ proposal of points for individual selection criteria, recommendations for projects that will not be financed, how not to lose their potential?

Schedule of preparation of the 1st draft version of the guide

- ▶ Part I - March 15, 2023
- ▶ Part II - April 15, 2023
- ▶ Part III - April 30, 2023

It is assumed that the final version should be created within a month of submitting the draft version for comments.

Part I and II should be published, part III to be decided by the MA