



# **Taskforce Action Plan - Portugal**

## **Integrated Territorial-based Intervention for Pinhal Interior (ITBI PI.IN)**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Taskforce Meeting Report**

Note: all the task Force meetings were preceded by a preparatory [internal] meeting between the SR27 National Expert and the ITBI PI.IN Coordinator (and other relevant stakeholders).

## 1<sup>st</sup> Task Force meeting

Timing and format	Focus of the meeting
<p>20/12/2022</p> <p>Online</p>	<p><b>Main points</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Brief presentation of SR21 and SR27 Projects.</li> <li>▪ Objectives for setting up a Task Force under the ITBI PI.IN, specifically under the Transforming project P09. Villages.</li> <li>▪ Overview regarding Smart Villages concept and approach and preliminary discussion on the different perspectives of how it can be integrated in designing and implementing P09.</li> <li>▪ Perspectives of the participants regarding the constitution of a Task Force for designing and implementing the transforming project P09. Villages.</li> <li>▪ Comprehensive presentation of the work developed so far regarding the design of the transforming project P09. Villages.</li> <li>▪ Preliminary identification of other members that may potentially participate in the Task Force and their role.</li> <li>▪ Preliminary layout of a Work Plan for the Task Force.</li> <li>▪ Expression of the preliminary needs and inputs from SR27 (initial discussion on the possibility of having a face-to-face workshop with SR27 Core Team).</li> </ul> <p><b>Main outcomes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Analysis of the framework defined for P09. Villages and of the respective Notice-Invitation for the opening of the call / tender for villages to be integrated in the network.</li> <li>▪ Proposal for the Taskforce Action Plan (to be approved by the SR27 Core Team).</li> <li>▪ Shared perception of the Task Force's objectives: understanding the context, awareness and understanding of added value beyond ongoing processes and dynamics, openness to integrate the results of the Smart Rural Projects and explore new approaches for the implementation of the transforming project P09. Villages.</li> <li>▪ Ensuring the commitment and involvement of the interested parties in the different phases of the implementation of the transforming project P09. villages.</li> <li>▪ Preliminary identification of other Task Force members to be involved along the phases for the implementation of P09. Villages and their role.</li> <li>▪ Preliminary outline for defining a binding Work Plan (to be approved and duly articulated with the Task Force Action Plan).</li> <li>▪ Expression of the preliminary needs and inputs from SR27 (request for some inputs, namely regarding an analysis of the Notice-Invitation for the opening of the call / tender for villages to be integrated in the transforming project P09. Villages; and initial discussion on the possibility of having a face-to-face workshop with SR27 Core Team).</li> </ul> <p><b>Main findings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Much can be learnt from existing experiences with the development of strategies and initiatives in the tourism area, and the facilitation of regional and national sharing of information will be fundamental to achieve a successful programming process.</li> <li>▪ It was delivered a lot of information to handle in a first meeting, therefore, it will be necessary to provide it in such a way that it satisfies all the needs. For this, it was decided to.</li> <li>▪ Proceed with a reflection regarding the format of the inputs and the way they are going to be shared (e.g. preference to have SR27 inputs in PT);</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hold separate ‘internal’ discussions before the Task Force meetings, the results of which are shared and further discussed in the Task Force meetings, and assuring to each member of the Task Force individual entitlement of points of view and weight on decision-making. The participants of these meetings are three: PRPI Coordinator, Representative of the Coordination Commission for Regional Development of Region Centro - Coordinator of PRPI’s Monitoring Committee and SR27 National Expert.</li> </ul> <p><b>Follow-up actions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Preparation of the Action Plan for the Task Force (to be approved by SR27 Core Team).</li> <li>▪ Preparation of some inputs by the SR27 National Expert - document containing the following:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Additional information about the Smart Rural 21 and Smart Rural 27 Projects, as well as the Smart Villages concept and approach (provided - e.g. links to the SR21 and SR27 projects’ webpages, link to the Guidebook on how to become a Smart Village).</li> <li>▪ Main components of a Smart Village: communities in rural areas, participatory approach, innovative solutions and digital technologies, Smart Village strategy (provided - two pages doc with information prepared with a basis on SR21 documentation).</li> <li>▪ Specific characteristics to consider when selecting a village to implement the Smart Villages approach and Strategy (provided as an indicative list in order to contribute to the definition of criteria to select villages - needs further refinement and approval by the SR27 Core Team(?)).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Supporting documents</b></p> <p>Some supporting documents were sent to the Task Force members beforehand, namely, a file providing summary information on SR27 Project (in PT) and the first version of the Proposal for the Task Force and of the Action Plan (in EN).</p>
<p>Participants (6)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SR27 National Expert PT</li> <li>• ITBI PI.IN Coordinator</li> <li>• Coordination Commission for Regional Development of Region Centro</li> <li>• Tourism of Portugal</li> <li>• Tourism Centro of Portugal (Regional entity of Tourism)</li> </ul>