Overall aim:

The aim of the event is to **support the process of successful programming of LEADER/CLLD** at national, regional and local level by offering a platform for real time exchanges for all stakeholders involved in shaping and/or participating in the future of LEADER

Specific objectives:

- Provide information that can assist in the process of consultation and programming at national, regional and local level for LEADER
- Facilitate the exchange of experiences and lessons learned with the view to identify recommendations for strengthening LEADER programming
- Build stronger connections amongst stakeholder groups involved in LEADER programming and implementation

Anticipated outputs and follow up:

- Collection of case studies and examples of processes, tools and practices that will be transformed into a guide/check list of recommended steps, " eye openers" that will complement the LEADER toolkit with programming elements
- Better understanding among different stakeholder groups of their roles and contribution to successful programming of LEADER

Invited participants include:

- LAG / other partnerships' staff and members
- Members of the LEADER Sub-Committee
- Managing Authorities for LEADER
- Paying Agencies
- European organizations and others

Wednesday, 17 April 2013	
10:30	Registration desk for the LEADER EVENT opens
12:30 – 14:00	*Buffet lunch*

OPENING and INTRODUCTORY PLENARY SESSION	
14:00 - 14:45	Welcome and introduction Explaining the programme- Process landscape
14:45 – 15:45	Panel presentations and discussion Panel includes representatives of all key stakeholder groups: (MA, NRN, LAG and EC) • Remind ourselves what LEADER is about, and what does successful programming of LEADER mean • What learning is to be embraced? • What to consider when programming at national, regional and local level?
15:45 – 16:15	*Coffee break*

Introduction to the FAIR activities and organisation of Day 2	
16:15 – 17:30	• Introduction and explanation of the exchange format Day 2

FAIR/Discussion corners/Social event	
17:30 – 21:00	**An exchange of experiences, culture and contacts** • Country stands organized by NRNs (including LAG materials, local products, handicrafts etc.), EU organizations, other DGs, FARNET etc. • TNC Corner - exhibition of offers and facilitation of contacts • Video Corner • ENRD photo competition display • Discussion corners (Themes tbd) **Social event** Refreshments including drinks and snacks at 19:00

Thursday, 18 April 2013	
Open Space discussion sessions	
09:00 – 11:00	Discussion sessions – round 1
11:00 - 13:00	Discussion sessions – round 2

13:00 – 14:30	*Lunch*

Plenary discussion	
14:30 -16:00	Groups report back with visualization Concluding panel discussion

16:00 - 16:30	*Closing*