



Région Sud

Overview

- About the MAP: regional; not topic-oriented
- Composition: 12 members, 5 PM, 4 R and 3 SC
- Work related to the topic: the MAP covered all the 7 SHERPA items and went beyond the topic-driven process to outline key cross-cutting issues

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Challenges & Opportunities

*In this section, please describe the challenges and opportunities **related to the theme** of the session*

- Rethinking mobility and sendarities in rural areas
- Creating the activities and jobs of tomorrow in rural areas
- Managing, conserving and enhancing a unique regional natural capital
- New tools and governance methods to support economic and ecological transitions in rural areas



Vision & Enablers

- **Clarify what is meant by "rural areas"**. National demographic institute (INSEE) is currently finalizing a new methodology for a definition of rural that goes beyond the reference to urban and from which the SHERPA map future work may be inspired
- **Active participation of citizen in the future of rural territories must go beyond consultation and be a central objective of a renewed territorial approach** (be inspired by the SHERPA MAP model and 1st cycle work plan)
- **Reinforce the support to public authorities (knowledge building)**, so to address new challenges and opportunities in rural areas (be inspired by the SHERPA MAP model and 1st cycle work plan)
- **Develop tailored and flexible regional foresight and support tools**, so that the territories can use them in a contextualized way, which tools developed at very global scales do not always allow
- To make human and financial resources available to municipalities, but also to other local actors, **so to pool resources in terms of territorial engineering**
- By learning LEADER lessons, funding opportunities under the next EAFRD and ERDF must **give more space to the right to experimentation and innovation, in order to promote regional foresight on future rural territories**

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