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MAP Galician Rural Interfaces

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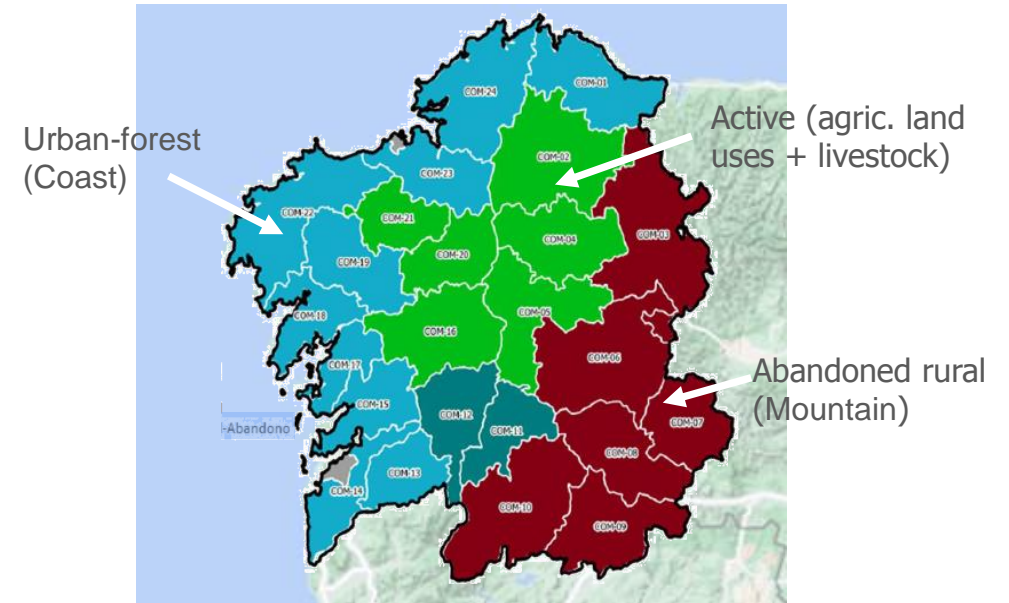
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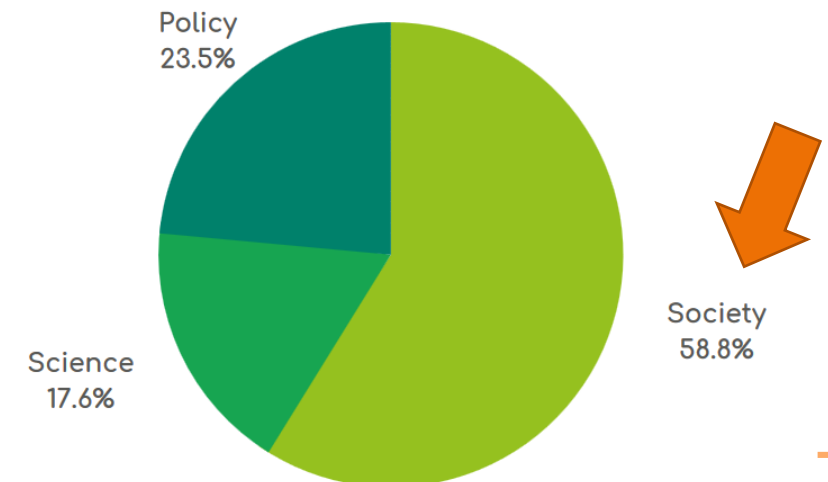
MAP intro

Galician Rural Interfaces:

- **Regional** MAP, diverse territory - 3 rural types
- Lasting for 4 years
- Focus: **Not topic oriented**. Tackling climate change and demographic trends, improving rural living conditions.
- Composition (**power balance**): LAGs, rural business, farmer orgs, NGOs, universities, local and regional gov.
- Work related to LTVRA:
 - Probable and desired rural (1st cycle)
 - Alternative rural futures and scenarios (foresight exercise)
 - **Pathways towards the desired rural**



MAP membership:





Context - What's next regarding the LTVRA?

- The **Rural Pact** – strengthened governance for EU rural areas
 - Actors invited to engage in the reflections and discussions on the implementation and development of the Rural Pact → translating the vision into concrete actions – deadline June 2022
- **EU Rural Action Plan** articulated around flagship initiatives. Each bringing different EU policy areas to deliver on the vision, and its shared goals (June 2022 onwards)
- (Country/region implementation of new CAP governance and monitoring mechanisms)

https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/new-push-european-democracy/long-term-vision-rural-areas_en#theruralpact



MAP experiences and insights

Role of rural interfaces in the next phase of the LTVRA

- Enhance **definition of measures for the Rural Action Plan** – pathways better adapted to the diversity of territories, better informed, defined role of each policy level (EU, national, regional, local...)
- Consolidated structures, mechanisms and participatory dynamics contributing to **successfully implement actions** (based on a built common vision)
- Contribute to the framework that should **support the Rural Pact** – Engaging citizens in policy making → MAPs as signatories of the Rural Pact?



Tips and points for attention

Role of rural interfaces in the next phase of the LTVRA.

'Rural Interfaces – A learning agenda'
<https://rural-interfaces.eu/publications>

- Attention to diversity of actors and **power balance**. Scientist, policy-makers and citizens all have relevant inputs to provide.
- **Meet expectations** of the MAP/Interface members: Not only contributing to a debate but inspiring real policy → Challenging!
- If interfaces at bigger scale, consider some compensation for their efforts and time
- Online can complement but not replace the **face to face interaction**
- Invest in building personal trust and confidence: space and time for informal interaction, better **long-lasting interfaces?**



What can be done better?

Role of rural interfaces in the next phase of the LTVRA.

- Interfaces/MAPs inspiring real policy AND with role in implementation, monitoring and evaluation
- Consolidate the MAPs, support long lasting interfaces → how?
- Participatory mechanisms not only for CAP policy
- Support the coordination of policies –and policy levels- with impact in the rural areas → Is there a role to play?
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