

# community development

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# main project partner



VARAM / Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia;

LLF / Latvian Rural Forum;

LU / University of Latvia, Faculty of Geography and Earth Sciences;

RDPAD / Riga City Council - City Development Department;

Prospective appointed municipal and community partners;

International knowledge and best practice exchange cooperation partners in Finland, Norway, Germany and the UK;

The British Council in Latvia;

Experts, practitioners, lecturers, community and municipal local activists and creators;



## ***Community Development Training Program (CDTP):***

6 communities

12 trainees

12 workshops

12 internships

6 locally assessed and adopted community development strategies

6 latvian local case studies (training diary)

1 handbook

1 national community development strategy

1 international conference on community development

1 Training program



6 communities, most possibly one from each planning region of Latvia: Kurzeme, Latgale, Riga, Vidzeme and Zemgale, as well as Riga's City.

Each community represents best possibly a certain community typology: Water, inland, rural, industrial/post-industrial, small or bigger scale, regional center, city-district, ...

The communities will be suggested by the project partners. Starting with April 1. the communities will be invited to participate in the program and on April 16. a public information meeting will be arranged with all interested communities. Afterwards the participating communities will apply and latest by Mid May selected by the steering committee of the training program.

### **12 Trainees:**

Each community delegates two prospective community activists for the training program. The trainees are running the training program as pairs. Participation is obligatory at all times.



## **12 Local workshops:**

Generally each community hosts twice a workshop, one in the first sequence of 6 workshops and after the internship and community assessment break a second one in the second sequence of workshops.

Within the break of the two workshop sequences the trainees have to hold an internship of approx. 2-3 weeks at their municipal or regional institution.

## **6 Local results:**

Overall principle: Planning for Real! Each community elaborates a participative locally assessed and adopted community development strategy.

With the experiences and the results of all communities we'll receive a synoptical and ideal Latvian local case study (6 diaries).

## **Monitoring and evaluation:**

All measures and working steps will be scientifically monitored and evaluated.



### **1 Education program and handbook:**

The lecture material and the experiences as well as the case studies (local diaries) will be conducted and edited as a handbook on community engagement and development.

This handbook will serve further on as an education guideline and material for further community development education programs.

### **1 National community development strategy:**

All experiences and results will be summarized in a national strategic community development document and serve as suggestion for further policies.

### **1 International conference on community development:**

Results as well as the education program will be evaluated and discussed during an international symposium on community development.



## Time schedule

### 1. Sequence

April 16: Information meeting

April 17: Trainer team building

June, 5-7 2014: Inauguration

August 28-30 2014: Community

September 25-27 2014: Creativity

October 23-25 2014: Economy

November 20-22 2014: Networking

December 11-13 2014: Local assessment I

**Internship & community assessment  
Monitoring & supervision**

### 2. Sequence

February 2014: Local assessment II

March 2015: Village development plan

April 2015: Project management /  
Fundraising / Transparency

May 2015: Intercultural work

June 3-5 2015: Community parliament -  
informal and civic education

September 2015: Final workshop and  
international conference

November 2015: National strategy &  
handbook



## ***Inter-Municipal Cooperation (IMC)***

### **5 Municipalities:**

The target areas will be selected in close cooperation with the Ministry and the planning regions.

### **5 Local workshops:**

Similar to the CDTP, the IMC workshops will rotate through all participating territories. Internationally and nationally experienced lecturers will guide the training process.

### **5 Local inter-municipal cooperation strategies:**

Overall principle: Planning for Real!

5 Local strategies will be elaborated and adopted. The project aims that IMC workshop results will be further on implemented.

### **Monitoring and evaluation:**

All measures and working steps will be scientifically monitored and evaluated.



## **Planned time schedule:**

October 2014: 1. workshop

December 2014: 2. workshop

February 2015: 3. workshop

April 2015: 4. workshop

June 2015: final workshop

questions?  
comments?  
suggestions?



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