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**FAO experiences with integrated  
community development in the  
Republic of Moldova  
under TCP/MOL/3607**

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### TCP/MOL/3607 - Support to capacity building on agriculture and rural development policy and implementation of local community development pilot projects

- Start: December 2017 – End: December 2019
- Implemented in close cooperation with:
  - Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment (MARDE)
  - ACSA (Service Provider)
  - FAO Country Office in the Republic of Moldova
- The *overall objectives* of the project:
  - Develop capacities on rural development policy preparation and implementation at state level and
  - Develop capacities on Community Development Planning principles and practices in three pilot communities, as well as at national level.

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### Main Outputs of the project

1. Capacity of MARDE and other relevant staff related to rural development policy and community development planning improved
2. Community Development Plans and Action Plans developed in all three pilot communities through a participatory and inclusive process
3. Implementation of Community Development Plans (CDP) and Action Plans supported

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## National level activities

- National Inception Workshop (January 2018)
- Training on rural development practices from EU countries – Hungary and Lithuania (September 2018)
- Training on FAO Community Planning Process (October 2018) with the participation of MARDE and ACSA (Service Provider)
- Study Tour – Hungary – farm visits and presentations from the Rural Development Department of MoA (22-25 October 2019)
- Upcoming training on implementation, monitoring and evaluation of agricultural and rural development strategies, programs and measures (November 2019)
- Upcoming Final National Workshop (December 2019)

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## Selection of the pilot communities

- In close cooperation with MARDE
- **Primary** (e.g. Potential interest of donors in upscaling the project) and **secondary criteria** (e.g. SADI Index, interest of locals to develop sustainable agricultural production and income diversification)
- Common pilot with TCP/MOL/3608 - Strengthening the capacity of smallholders in berry production



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## Selected pilot Communities

- Lalova (Rezina district)
- Tescureni (Ungheni district)
- Meleseni (Calarasi district)



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## Community Development Planning

- Establishment of **Local Stakeholder Committees** – acting as focal points of the project
- Aim: elaboration of the **Community Development Plans (CDP)** in all pilot communities
- Preparation of a **Baseline Assessment** (SWOT analysis)
- **Action Plan** with concrete project ideas



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## Focus on the potentials



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- Identified training needs in the pilots:
  - On the **application for and use of funding opportunities** and disseminating information on any donor/national funds, which are available for the three selected communities. Also on how the Action plan of the CDP will be implemented.
  - Lalova: training on **tourism and hosting**
  - Tescuren: training on **beekeeping**
  - Meleseni: training on **protected field vegetable production**
- Small-scale investment
  - Call for application – including the supported measures, eligibility criteria for application, procedure...
  - ACSA – close contact with the communities, support in filling in the forms
  - Facilitation of the implementation of the Action Plans

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## Final steps

- Based on the community experiences until 14 December 2019:
  - Concept Note for potential donor funding
  - Final National Workshop

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# Thank you for your attention!

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