# Implementing CLLD in EU: Experiences so far

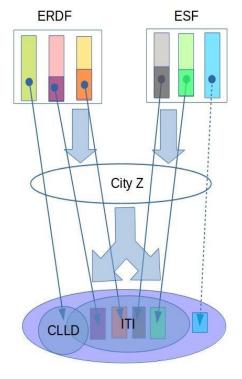
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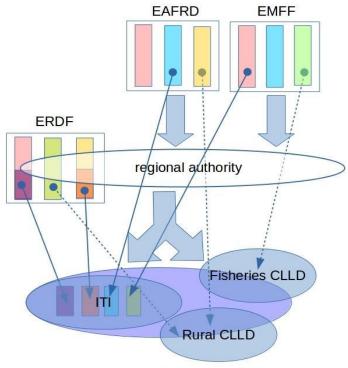
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#### **Urban** area

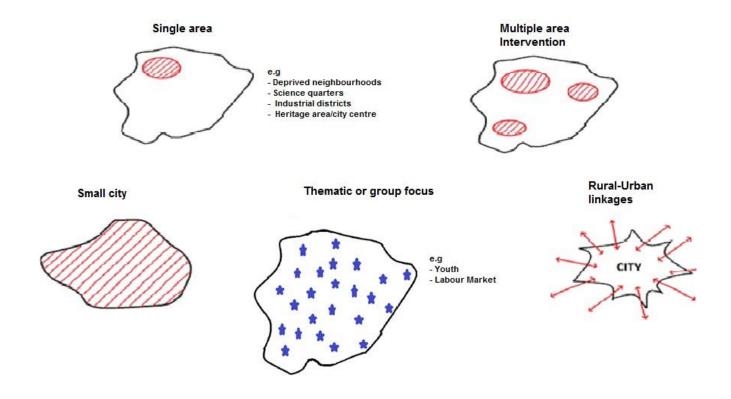


Strategy for District Y

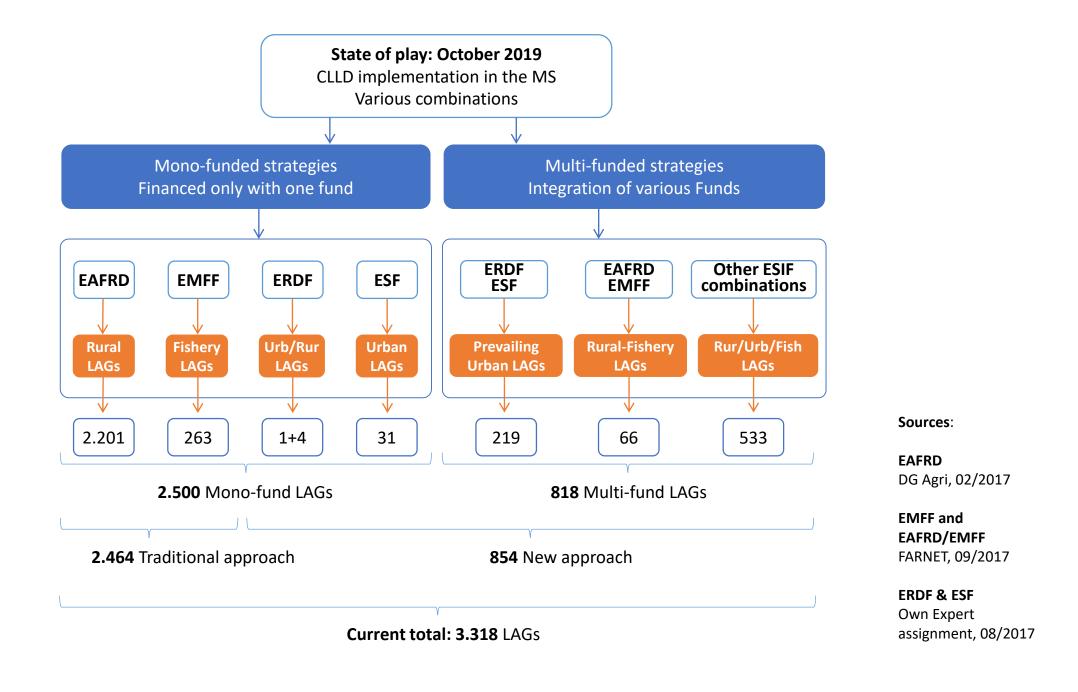
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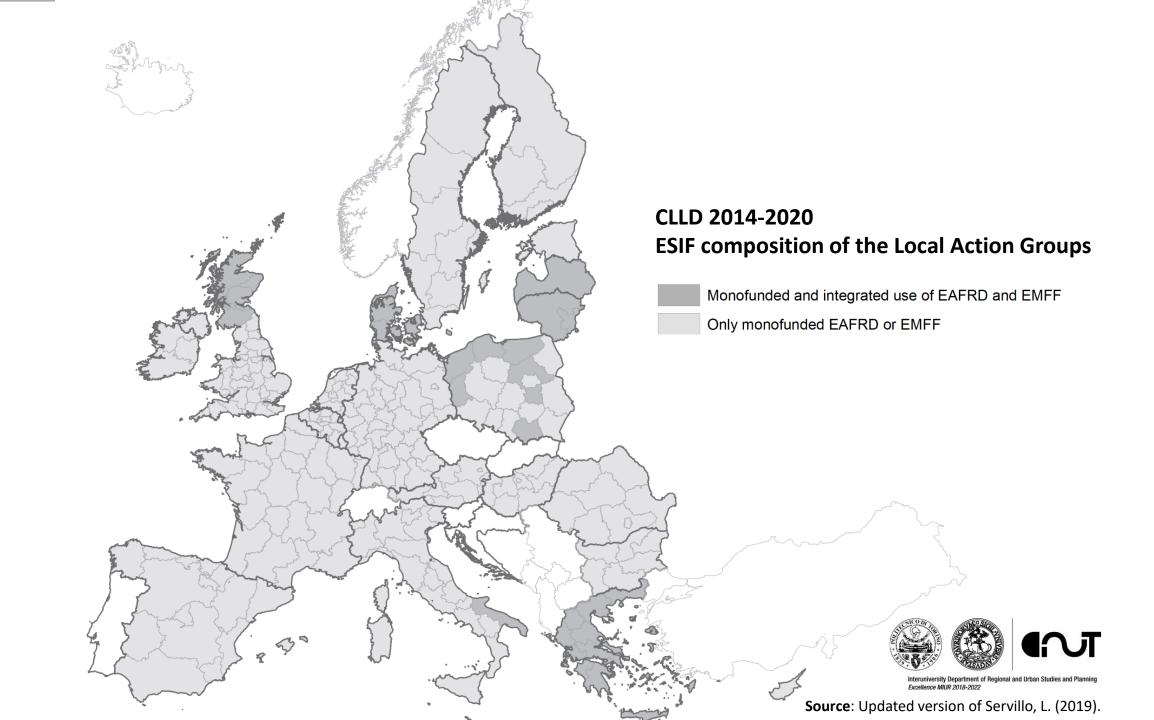


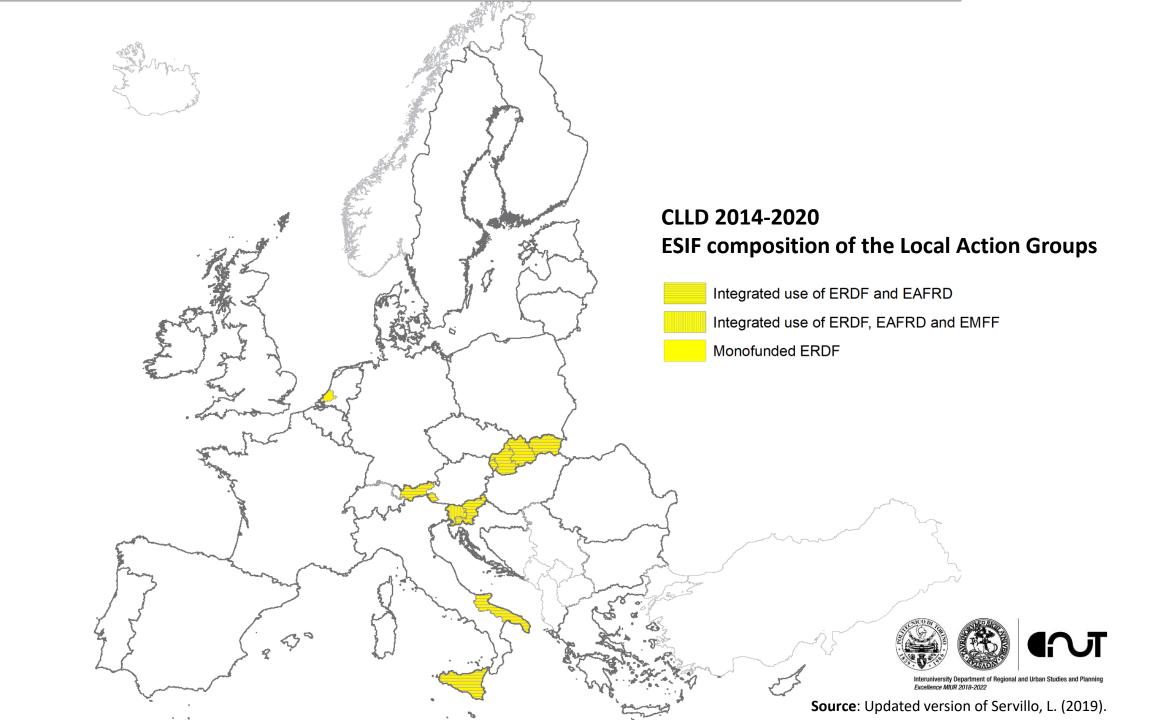
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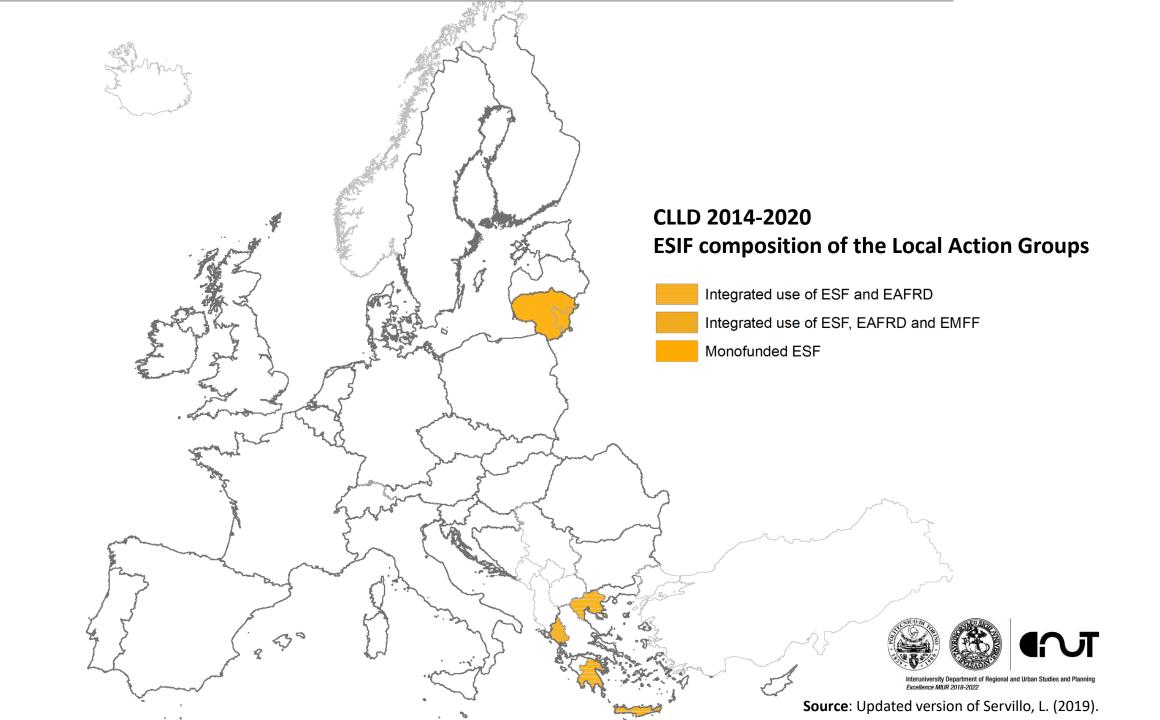


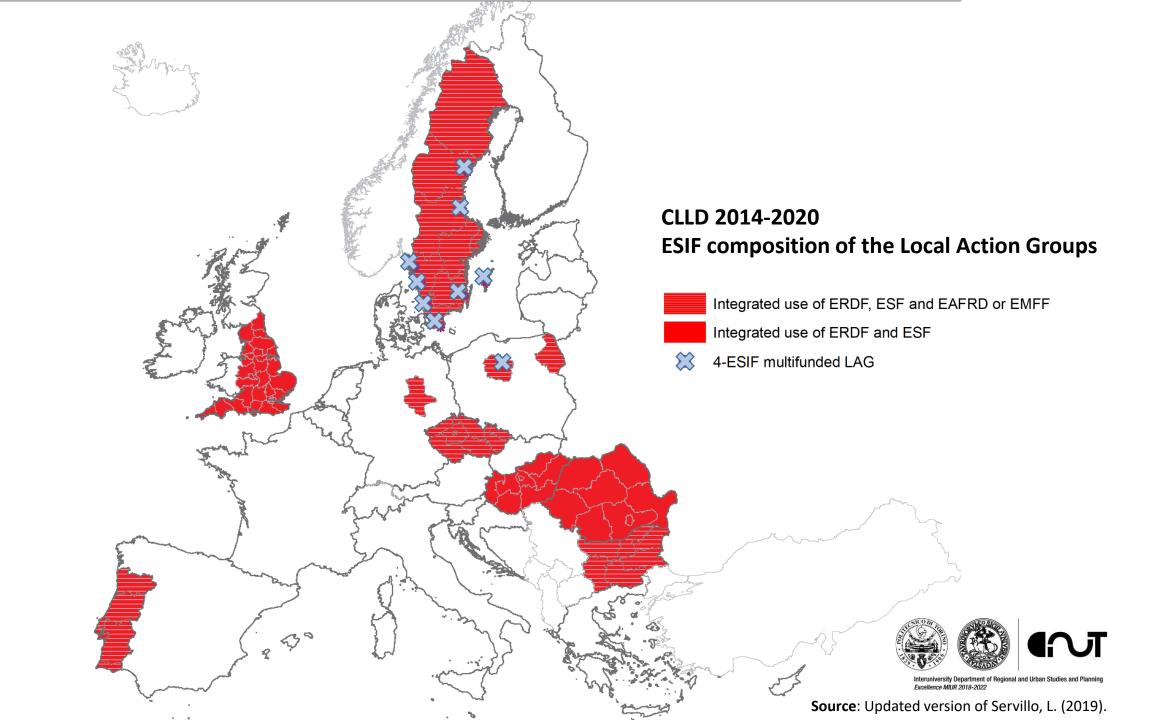
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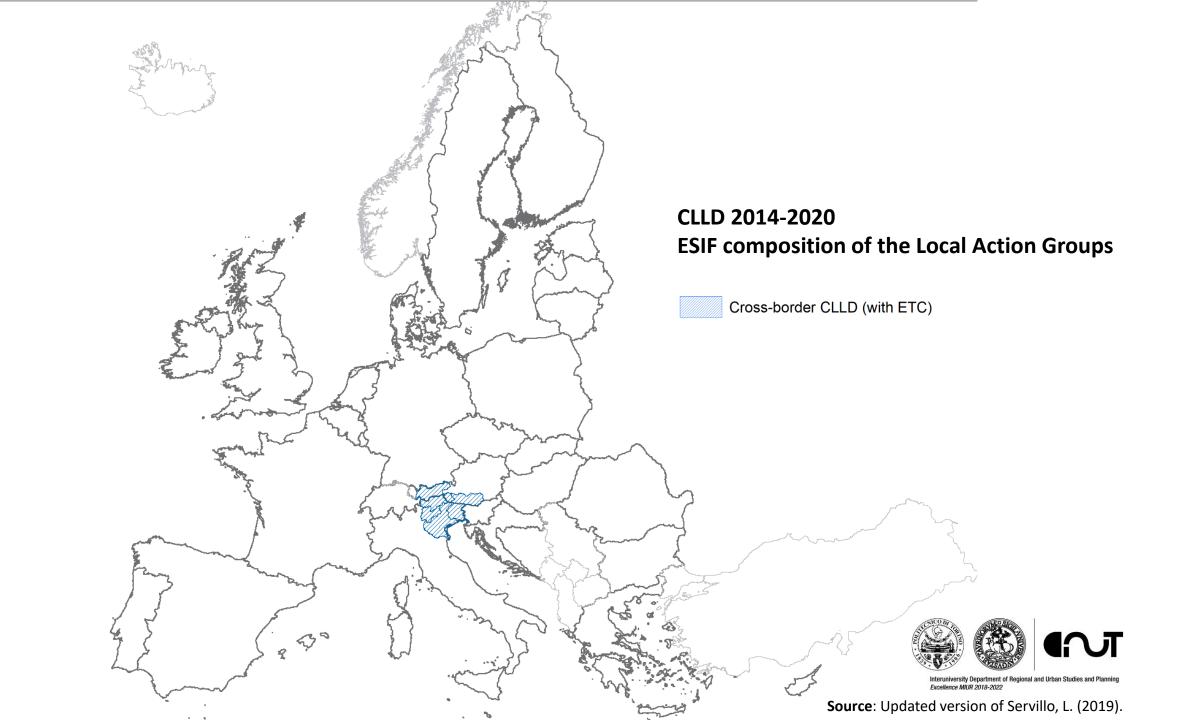


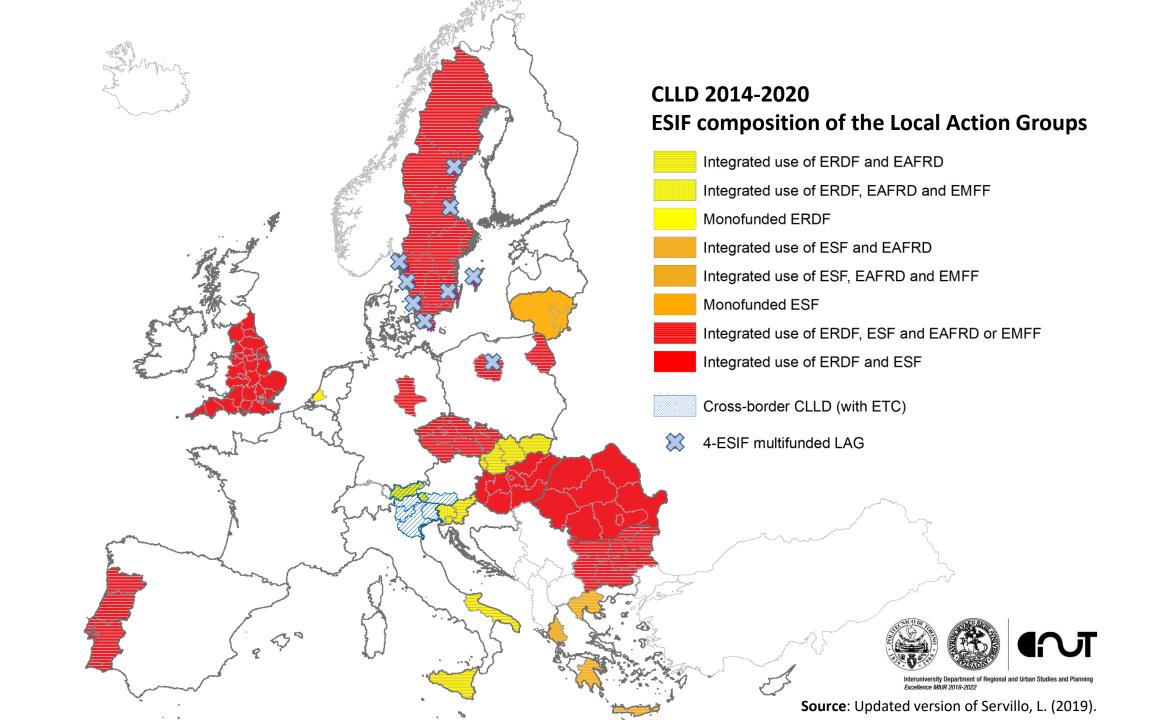


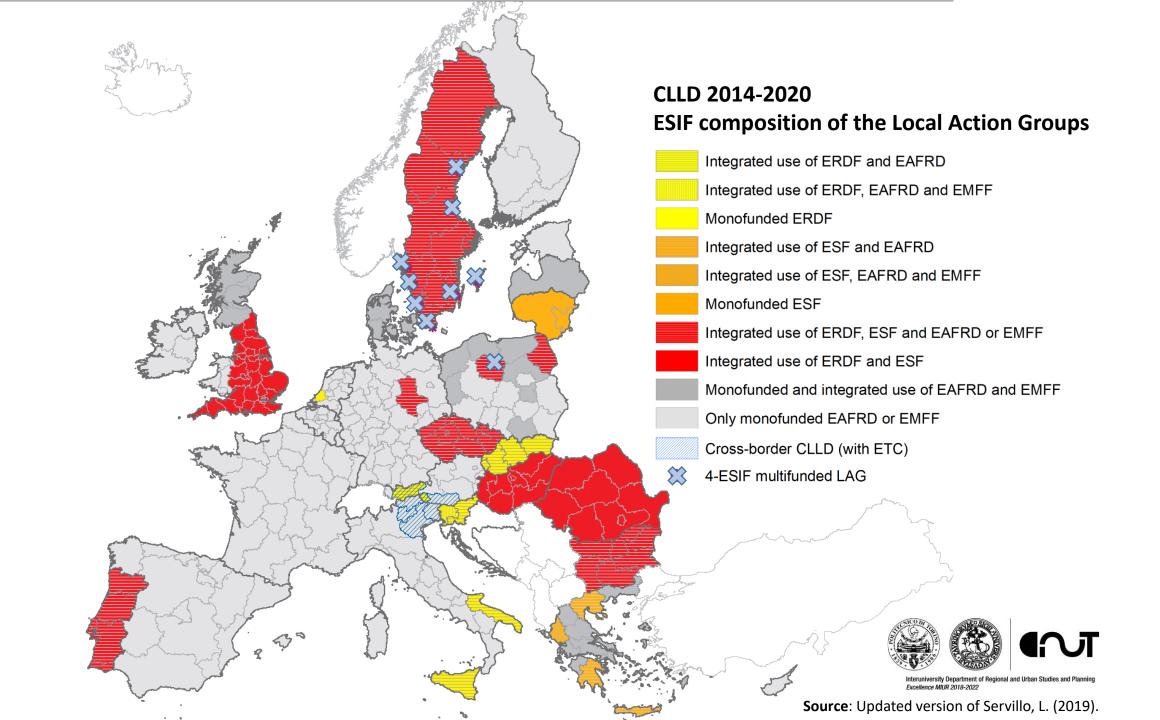




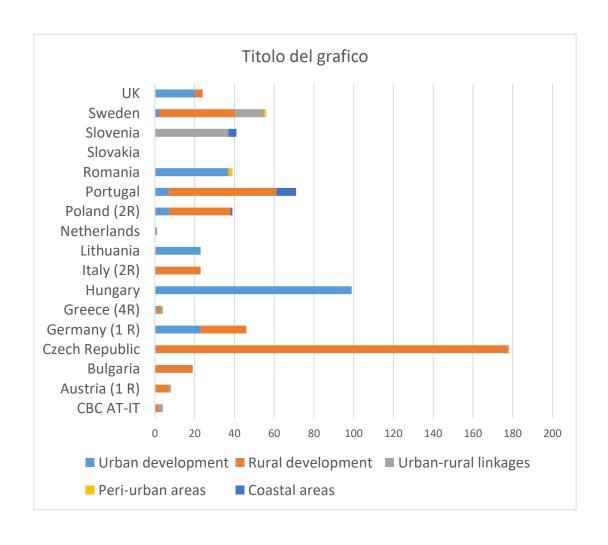








#### Territorial focus<sup>[1]</sup> of the LAGs per country/region<sup>[2]</sup>



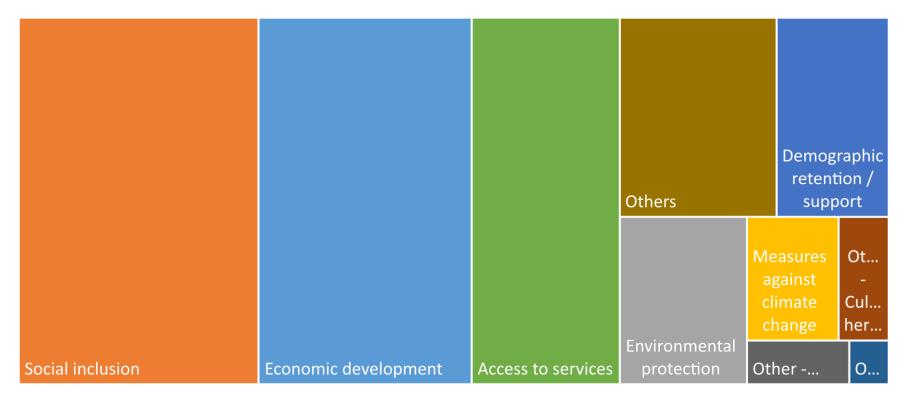
<sup>11</sup> The results are based on a multiple-choice question in the survey. Data for Slovakia is missing.

<sup>[2] &#</sup>x27;x R' indicates that only a limited number of regions in the Member State is concerned.

#### **Territorial strategy**

- Economic development
- Environmental protection
- Demographic retention / support
- Other Rivitalisation degraded areas Other Cultural heritage
- Other Sustainable tourism

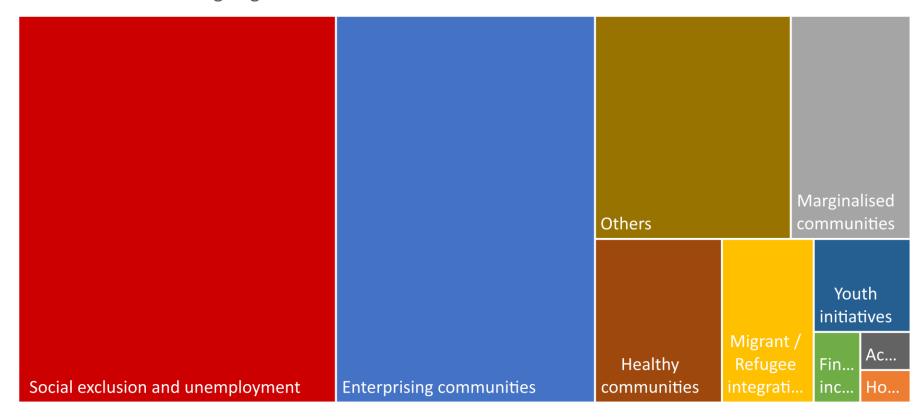
- Social inclusion
- Measures against climate change
- Access to services
- Others



#### **Social Target**

- Social exclusion and unemploymentHomelessness
- Marginalised communities
- Enterprising communities
- Youth initiatives
- Active ageing

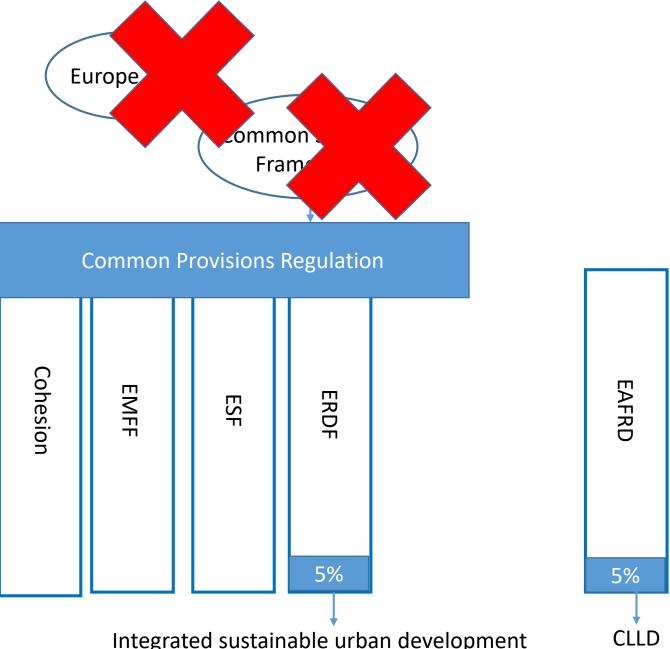
- Migrant / Refugee integration
- Financial inclusion and microcredit
- Healthy communities
- Others



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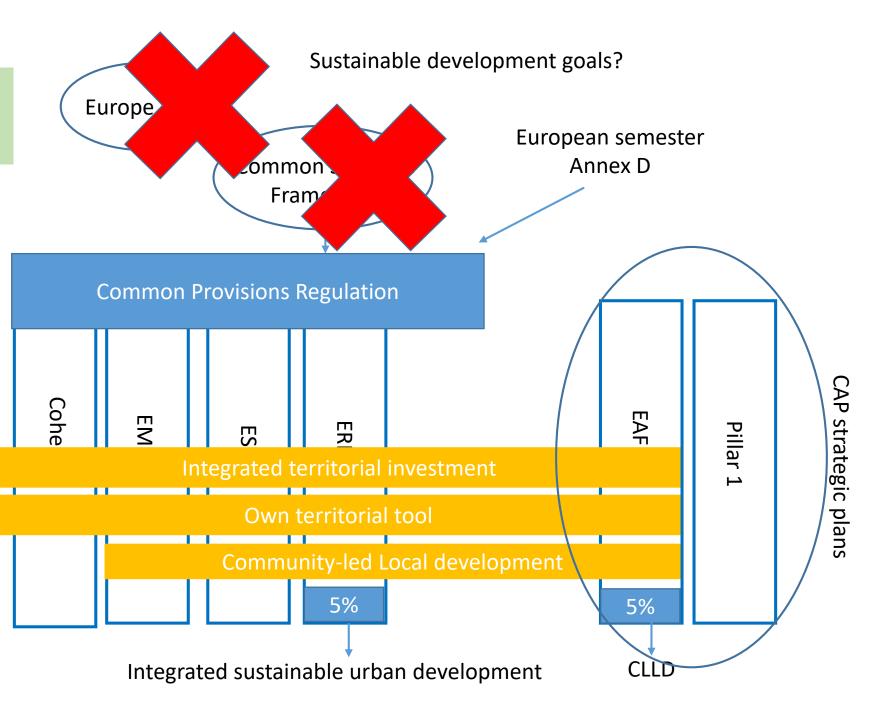
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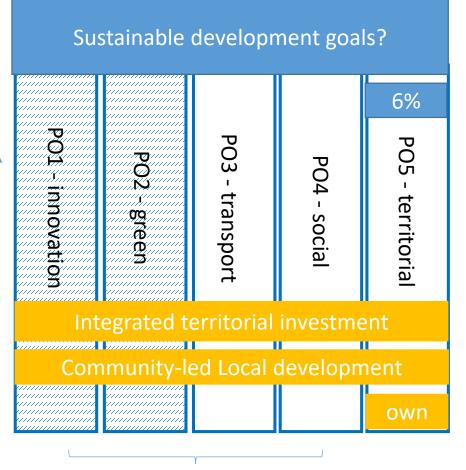
Description of territorial development tools + strategies



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**GREEN DEAL?** 

Thematic concentration



Urban and non-urban development

All themes, with 'condition'
Use of tools = Strategy + participation

**Enabling conditions** 

### 2014-20: main lessons

- Mixed experiences: teething problems and delays but now implementation in full flow
- Compared to LEADER, multi-Fund CLLD...
  - ...allows exploring new areas and themes and targeting of urban territories (in particular towns and smaller cities)
  - …increases synergies between different policy areas:
    - more SME, innovation, mobility, climate change and protection, circular economy, rural-urban linkages and social innovation
  - ...creates economies of scale (e.g. in relation to communication or marketing efforts)
  - ...enables a **genuine bottom-up approach** (broader range of eligible themes)
  - All in all, LAGs can focus on wider regional/local development, not just rural themes

- ...brings **simplification** (for beneficiaries!) by providing a one-stop-shop for project applicants Additional complexity for Managing Authorities
- Stronger stakeholder involvement: stronger representation of SMEs, R&D, NGOs (climate, mobility, social aspects)
- Triggered closer cooperation between MAs responsible for diff Funds
- ...allows capitalising on existing LEADER experience, + expertise coming in from other ESI Funds
- ...increases the funding allocation for LAGs

## 2021-27: main challenges

- Misunderstanding about the loss of integration no Partnership Agreement, no CPR for EAFRD
- **Ensuring funding** continuation of compulsory 5% allocation of EAFRD to CLLD (= LEADER), but how about other ESI Funds?
- Avoid 2014-20 delays stricter timetable for LAG strategy approval
- Managing administrative effort for MAs and LAGs / what about the Lead Fund option?
- Overcome policy silos between rural/fisheries & Cohesion policy
  - CLLD is more than LEADER + €x
  - Avoid mentality of maintaining control over "own" funding/ESI Fund
- Coordination with Smart Villages and Smart Specialisation (ERDF mainstream)
- Green Deal as an explicit place-based approach!

Thank you

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