

## **Main activities during the ELARD vice-presidency in 2018**

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1. Participation in the DG Agri LEADER/CLLD simplification work group (15.01, 06.02);
2. Participation in the LEADER sub-group and making a presentation on the CLLD exploratory opinion (EESC) (08.03);
3. As part of the Bulgarian presidency, participation in the preparation for the LEADER/CLLD conference in cooperation with Bulgarian partners (March-June), presentation of ELARD's standpoints. The conference took place on 04.-06.06 in Bulgaria;
4. Participation in the preparation and cooperation network for the European Rural Parliament, preparing the policy action plan and ELARD section of the Road project application in cooperation with SYTY;
5. Conducting the ELARD survey on CLLD advocacy and lobbying work in Member States and compiling a report on it (April-July);
6. Participation in negotiations with the Members of the European Commission and Parliament, meetings with the commissioners' cabinets in Brussels on 19.-20.06 (Regio, Agri, Innovation, Employ);
7. Participation in the preparation for the ELARD conference "LEADER Reloaded" and leading the work group "LEADER advocacy" and cooperation corner with Marion Eckardt (September 2018);
8. Developing the partnership between ELARD and China, and participating in the activities established by the cooperation contract. Preparing for and participating in the ELARD visit to China (October 2018);
9. Participation in the preparation, contribution of input and preparatory meetings for the hearing "LEADER and the Development of Rural Areas" that took place in the European Parliament on 22.11;
10. Participation in the preparation and making a presentation for the ELARD and LDnet seminar "Attracting Talents in Rural Areas" on the Day of Cities and Regions (October 2018);
11. Meeting in the European Commission with the cabinet of Jyrki Katainen (topic – Jobs, Growth, Investment & Competitiveness). The meeting was held within the visit of the Vice-Minister of Science and Innovation of China (26.11);
12. Coordinating the expert group of the ELARD ENPARD project and executing the activities of the project (February-December 2018);
13. Estonia's activity within the ELARD vice-presidency was the LEADER/CLLD seminar in Tallinn "Community-Led Local Development in Europe and Estonia in 2021-2027" (17.05).

Budget implementation 2018:

<b>Budget line</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Estonian vice-presidency management costs	5000
Travel costs	10222
Costs of meetings, seminars, technical support	5500
<b>Total</b>	<b>20722</b>