



# ELARD Cooperation meeting

31 March 2015 14:00-17:00

Hall of the Ministry of Agriculture (39/41 Lai St., Tallinn)

The Estonian Leader action groups would like to invite you to a cooperation meeting with the representative umbrella organisation for European action groups, ELARD (European Leader Association for Rural Development, [www.elard.eu](http://www.elard.eu)).

The meeting will focus on the implementation of the CLLD in the new programme period – opportunities and challenges, and Estonian Leader's role on an international level; ELARD's mission and activities; and the opportunities and responsibilities connected to the candidacy for the ELARD presidency.

The meeting will take the form of speeches and open discussions.

## PROGRAMME

- **Introduction and meeting moderation**  
*Kristiina Timmo, Estonian Leader Action Groups Representative at ELARD*
- **ELARD introduction and overview of current CLLD situation in member states**  
*Radim Sršen, President of ELARD; Petri Rinne, Vice-President of ELARD*
- **Estonian rural development plan and Leader – priorities and goals of the new programme period; what has changed, what has evolved**  
*Marko Gorban, Rural Development Department Head at Ministry of Agriculture*
- **Overview of Leader implementation**  
*Piret Kljutšivski, Head of PRIA Development Grants Department;  
Marek Treufeldt, Head of LEADER Support Unit, PRIA*
- **Networking and international cooperation, Leader success stories**  
*Ave Bremse, Head of Rural Network Office at the Rural Economy Research Centre*
- **Cooperation of Leader action groups over the years – challenges and future steps**  
*Tiina Sergo, Chairperson of the Estonian Leader Forum*
- **Estonian Leader Union – current and future activities**  
*Piret Leskova, CEO of the Estonian Leader Union*
- **Responsibilities and opportunities of ELARD presidency candidacy**  
*Kristiina Timmo, Estonian Leader Action Groups Representative at ELARD*
- **Open discussion – Estonian Leader: international cooperation and role in Europe**

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