RURAL DEVELOPMENT as COMMUNITY-LED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT (CLLD) IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

What is CLLD?
Community-Led Local Development (CLLD) is a instrument focused on the development of rural areas. Its aim is to contribute to a balanced development of the territory of the Czech Republic.

It is based on the LEADER approach principles:
- all activities follow the local development strategy targeted at the given rural territory,
- development is led by the local partnership between the public and private (i.e. business and non-profit) sector, i.e. all is managed bottom-up, from the territory concerned,
- local partnerships cooperate and create networks,
- development is based on integrated approach consisting of synergies and coherence of entities and projects from various sectors and industries of the economy,
- in development, innovative procedures are applied and cooperation projects are implemented.

What is LAG?
LAG or the Local Action Group is an open local partnership which implements the CLLD in the given territory. LAG represents the public as well as private local socio-economic interests. LAG partners include e.g. active local residents, local non-profit organisations, private businesses, schools and educational establishments, municipalities or unions of municipalities. All of them participate in the development of the territory in which they live through CLLD.

What is SCCLD?
The Strategy of CLLD (SCCLD) is the local development strategy document based on which the CLLD is implemented in the territory concerned. The Strategy is elaborated and implemented by the LAG, i.e. people who know the territory the best. Thus, the development of the territory follows the "bottom-up" principle and the final shape of the strategy respects the needs and opinions of various interest groups associated in the LAG. The implementation of SCCLD is funded from the European Structural and Investment Funds.

Under the SCCLD implementation, a broad portfolio of coherent measures and projects may be supported which helps address complex social and economic problems faced by rural regions.

Modernization of the establishment
Amount of support: EUR 6 080
Beneficiary: ProNanoTech s. r. o.
Operational Programme: Rural Development Programme
LAG: Česká Kanada
Project supporting the ProNanoTech company was launched in 2018. The company was granted support in the amount of more than EUR 6,000. The funds were used to modernize the production of nanofibers in Jindřichův Hradec.

One step ahead
Amount of support: EUR 57 581
Beneficiary: LAG Hradecký venkov (Hradec Rural Area)
Operational Programme: Employment
LAG Hradecký venkov provides support to young people leaving the children’s home in Nechanice to help them integrate into everyday life and rural community. The project connects young people to the potential employers in the region, provides guidance and helps develop their practical skills necessary for their life outside the institution.

exchange rate: 1€ = 25,642 CZK

For more information on CLLD, consult the publication Community-Led Local Development (CLLD) in the Programming Period 2014–2020 www.dotaceEU.cz/publikace (in czech only)

www.UzemniDimenze.cz
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CLLD and the European Structural and Investment Funds

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Integrated Regional Operational Programme
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Rural Development Programme
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Operational Programme Employment
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Operational Programme Environment
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The LAG territory is constituted by administrative territories of municipalities with less than 25 000 inhabitants. 10 000 to 100 000 inhabitants live in the territory of each LAG.

THE CLLD STRATEGIES ARE SUPPORTED FROM CLLD

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