

PROMOTING LINKS BETWEEN THE RURAL ECONOMY AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIONS – LEADER APPROACH IN EAP REGION



“WINNET Armenia” Network of Women Resource Centers (Armenia) and their project partners from Georgia and Moldova will work towards the implementation of the LEADER approach in the rural economy and development of the Eastern Partnership.

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS

- “WINNET Armenia” Network of Women Resource Centers (Armenia)
- National LEADER Network in the Republic of Moldova (Moldova)
- Foundation “Accion Contra el Hambre”(Action Against Hunger) AAH (Georgia)

PROJECT GOAL

The project aims to promote the implementation of the LEADER approach in the Eastern Partnership (EaP) countries, through the establishment of an Open Work Platform for collaboration of interested partners in the LEADER implementation.

The goal of the LEADER approach is to support and encourage rural residents to assess the long-term development potential of the micro-region. LEADER promotes democracy and gender equality, promotes decentralization of power, creates the conditions for involving representatives of national minorities and representatives of socially vulnerable segments of the population in decision-making, and also promotes the development of a social economy based on local resources.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The project impact will be consolidated through the following three major outcomes

- **Country field researches are conducted in three EaP Countries** (Moldova, Armenia and Georgia), that will scale up advanced knowledge and exchange of experience of project partners and key actors in the field of LEADER implementation in own and in neighboring countries;
- **A Guideline on LEADER implementation in EaP countries** is elaborated based on the results and findings of 3 country field researches containing result-based methodology for implementing and developing LEADER approach in EaP region and beyond;
- An **International Open Work platform** is established for promotion of LEADER as a European instrument for territorial development of rural areas through local strategy development and resource allocation in EaP region and beyond.

PROJECT DURATION

May 1, 2020 – October 31, 2020 (6 months)

PROJECT LOCATION

Armenia, Georgia, Moldova

“The project benefits from support through the EaP Civil Society Forum Re-granting Scheme (FSTP) and is funded by the European Union as part of its support to civil society in the region. Within its Re-granting Scheme, the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (EaP CSF) supports projects of its members that contribute to achieving the mission and objectives of the Forum.

Grants are available for CSOs from the Eastern Partnership and EU countries. Key areas of support are democracy and human rights, economic integration, environment and energy, contacts between people, social and labour policies.”

