



# National Rural

# Parliaments as a tool for participative democracy

2nd Balkan Rural Parliament

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EUROPEAN NETWORK  
OF 21 MEMBER ORG.  
SINCE 1999

REPRESENTATION IN  
FOLLOWING  
CONSULTATIVE BODIES

COORGANISER OF  
EUROPEAN RURAL  
PARLIAMENT



European Rural Parliament  
Steering Group

European Rural Network Assembly

Rural Network's Steering Group

LEADER/CLLD Sub-group

Rural Development Civil Dialogue  
Group

Civil Dialogue Group of Experts in  
European Structural and  
Investment Funds





Rural people

Rural areas



Economics

Social life

Quality of life

Rural  
Development- still  
new concept



# Participative democracy- important elements

## Advocacy

Advocacy is public support for or recommendation of a particular cause or policy.

## Networking

Network is the way how public can do advocacy

# INFORMING



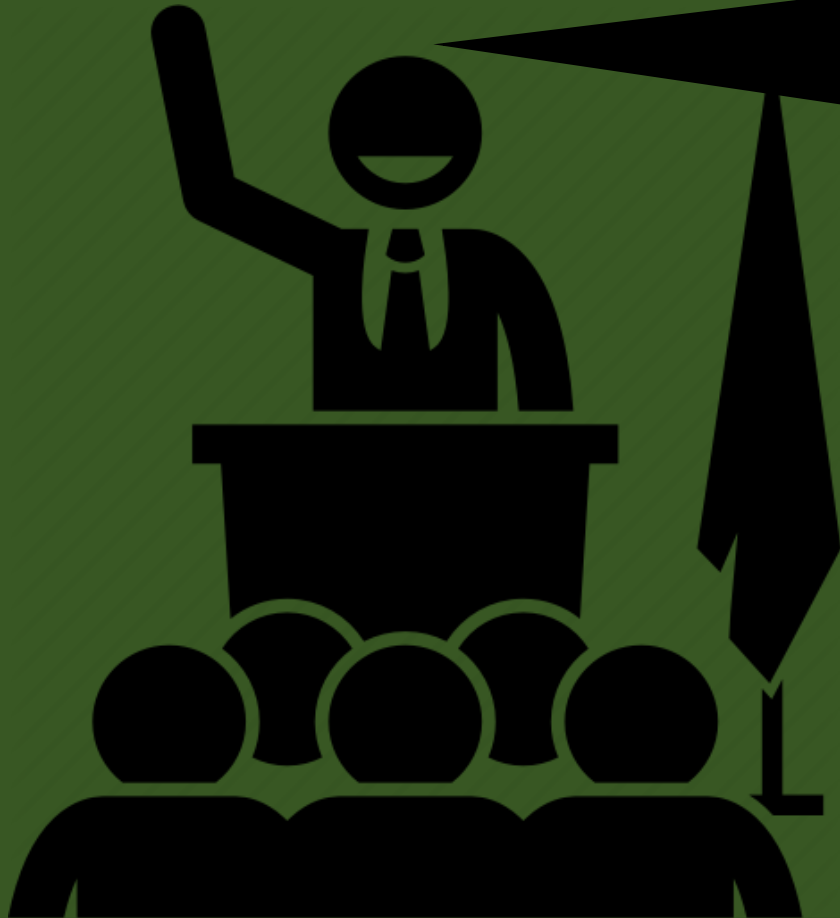
We will do like this!!!



- Spreading information
- Consulting
- Inspiring
- Explaining
- Promoting

# CONSULTING

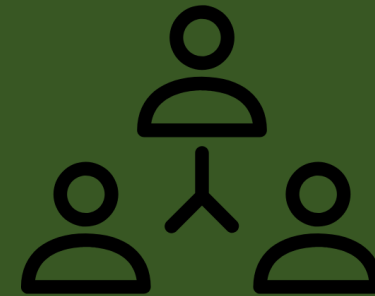
How can we do better?



I have knowledge

I can ask more people

I have experience

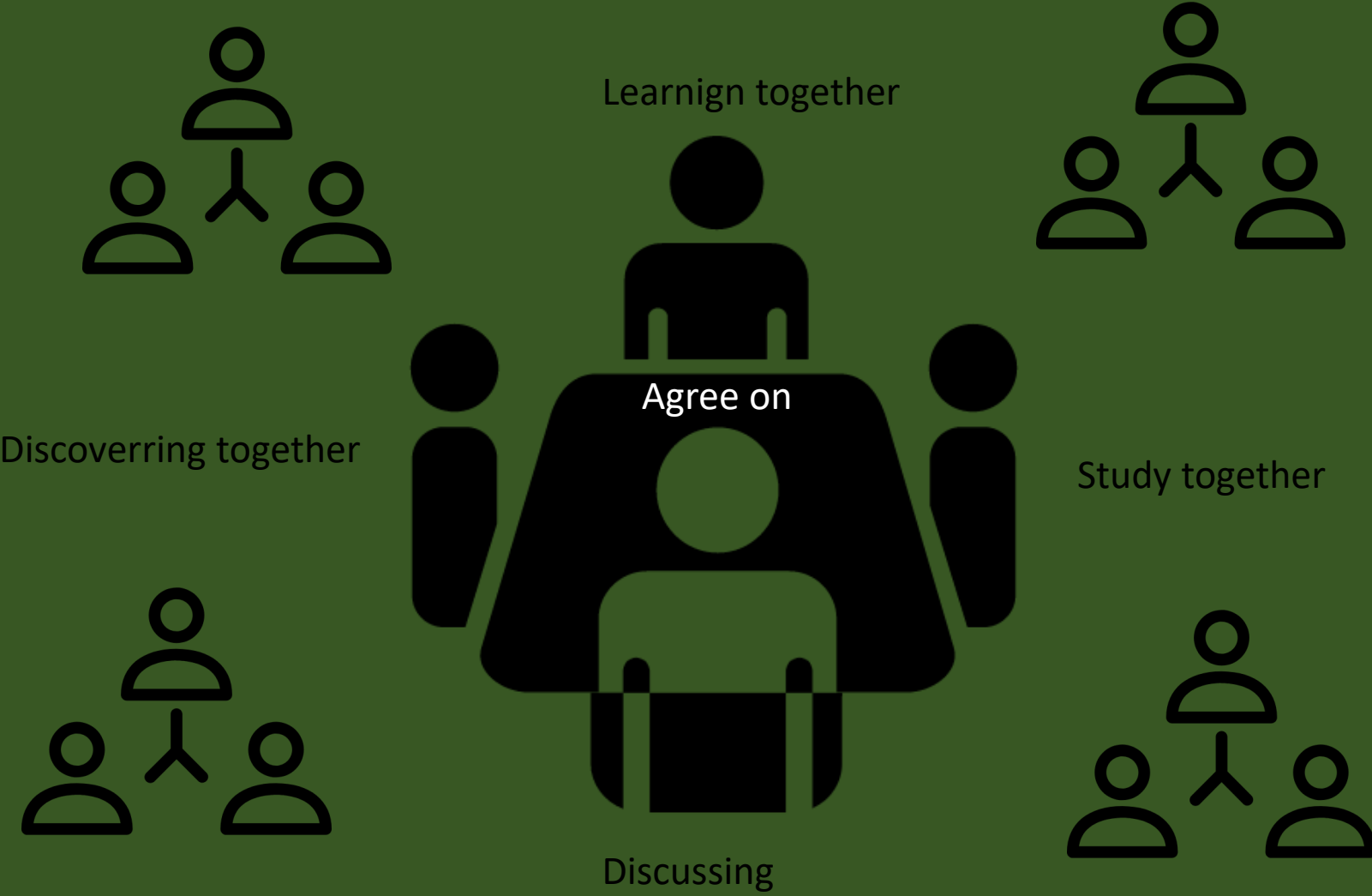


I have seen...

I have tried

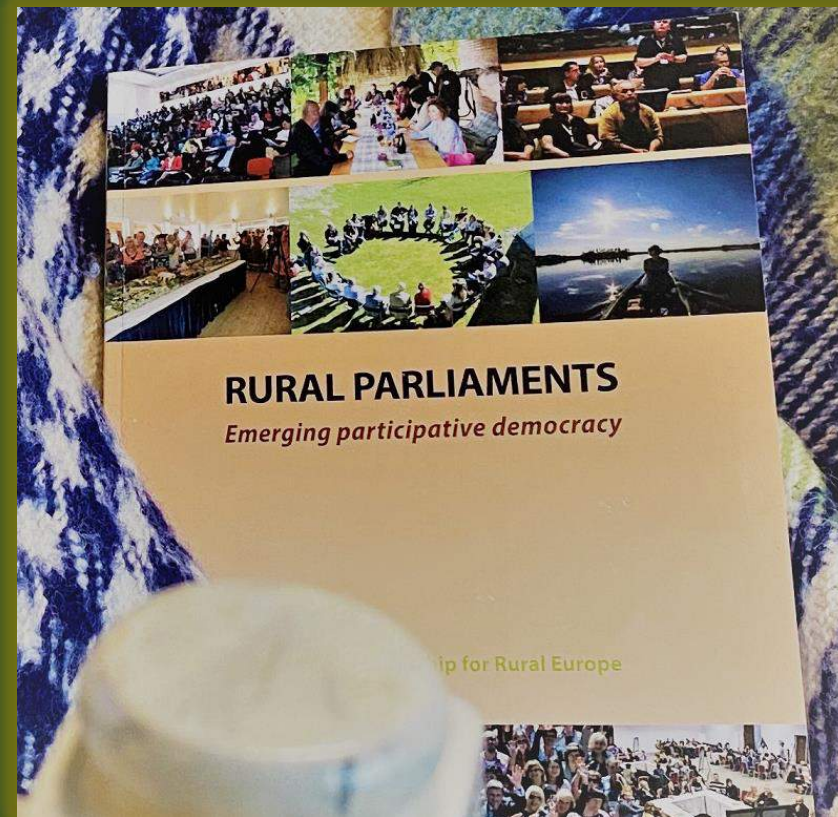
I believe

# SHAPING POLICIES TOGETHER



# TOOL FOR RURAL DEV. NETWORKS: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PARLIAMENTS

- Informing
- Consulting
- Shaping policies together







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