

Policy Transfer of the Local Development Model

The Leader Program Implementation
in Central European Countries

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- A Policy Model Transfer : experimenting LEADER in the New Member States (NMS)
- Selecting The LEADER Model from the Western States to the Central European States
- Downloading the Policy Model
- Receiving the LEADER Model

The Transfer cycle

Selecting

**EU as a
« process
manager »**

1st sequence

Transposing

**Domestic
authorities as
operators**

2nd sequence

Receiving

**Local
Stakeholders as
receivers**

3rd sequence

Selecting the LEADER Model

- **The source of inspiration : Leader as an evolutionay model**
- **LEADER as a policy model**
- **The context of setting up the LEADER Model in the NMS**

Downloading the Policy Model

- **The current European Version of LEADER**
- **Transposing Rural Development Policy into National Strategy Plans**
- **Domesticating the Implementation**

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Receiving the LEADER Model

- **Involvement of Local stakeholders**
- **Assessing the Transfer Outcomes: emulation and copying as the prevailing effects :**

Does the Model fit with the potential for action of the recipient rural communities?

**Conformity with the original principles or
distorting effects ?**

Implementing LAGs

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Local Action Group

defines

Partnership (local collectivities, associations and entrepreneurs)

Perimeter

Local Strategic Plan

(often with the assistance of a consulting agency)