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Volume 1 of the Final Report contains the main report and the executive summary.

Volume 2 of the Final Report contains the bibliographical sources, interview partners and methodological tools used for quantitative data collection and qualitative investigations.

Volume 4 of the Final Report includes the 12 Geographical Reports on all Member States of the EU.

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I. OVERVIEW

Case Studies on Projects of trans-national Cooperation (TNC)

| Nr. | Country | Local group and title of project | Responsible evaluator |
|-----|-------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Austria | LAG Ötztal/Tirol "Telework in mountain areas" | Richard Hummelbrunner |
| 2 | Germany | LAG Landkreis Oberallgäu/Bayern „Allgäu – Walser Card“ | Manfred Geissendörfer and Otmar Seibert |
| 3 | Spain | LAG Condado-Jaén/Andalucía "Area-based Quality Trade Mark" | Javier Esparcia |
| 4 | Spain | LAG Asociación Neria "Craftsmanship of Costa da Morte" | Javier Esparcia |
| 5 | France | LAG EURADOIR/Aquitaine "Cultural Heritage" | Denis Paillard |
| 6 | France | LAG "Chataigneraies et Sucs d'Ardèche"/ Rhône-Alpes "Les paysages de terrasses: des millénaires d'innovation" | Hélène Carrau |
| 7 | Greece | LAG KENAKAP/Thessalia "European Wilderness Challenge" * | Sophia Efstratoglou |
| 8 | Ireland | LAG Ballyhoura "Sustainable Development Initiative" | Brendan Kearney |
| 9 | Italy | LAG Delta 2000/Emilia-Romagna "Methods of integration of environment and tourism potential" | Carlo Ricci |
| 10 | Italy | LAG Valle Elvo "Enhancing the value of autochthonous wool" | Carlo Ricci |
| 11 | Portugal | LAG APRODER "Paralelo 40" | António Oliveira das Neves |
| 12 | Sweden | LAG Inlandslaget/Obj. 6 "Rural Tourism Net – RTN" | Ulla Herlitz |
| 13 | United Kingdom | LAG Western Isles, Skye and Lochalsh/Highlands & Islands "European Wilderness Challenge" * | Robin McDowell |

* Two studies were commissioned on the same project, in order to explore the differences in the perspective of two partners regarding the same project.

Comparative Case Studies on the Analysis of Cost-Effectiveness of the Programme Implementation with regard to the LEADER-specific Financing and Management Procedures (CEA)

| Nr. | Country or region | Local group and title of project | Title and source of funding of the compared project | Responsible evaluator |
|------------|--------------------------|--|---|---|
| 1 | Austria | LAG Stegersbach/Burgenland "Product development: Typical local drink" | Südburgenland/Burgenland "Marketing a local brand for fruit juices" Objective 1 (EAGGF) | Robert Lukesch |
| 2 | Germany | LAG Ludwigslust/Mecklenburg-Vorpommern "Restoration of a historical tourist ship" | Boizenburg/Mecklenburg-Vorpommern "Reconstruction of a ferry" Objective 1 (ESF) | Manfred Geissendörfer and Otmar Seibert |
| 3 | Spain | LAG Condado de Jaén/ Andalucía "Rustic tile production/Tejar Rustico" | Santisteban del Puerto/Andalucía "Albergue Vaquerizo" | Javier Esparcia |
| 4 | France | LAG Bastide/Aquitaine "Valorisation of local heritage" | The <i>Pôles d'Économie du Patrimoine (PEP)</i> , a national programme of DATAR | Denis Paillard |
| 5 | France | LAG Perche Vendômoise/Centre "Multi-media centre" | Eur et Loire/Centre "Multi-media centre Château Dun" | Jean-Claude Bontron |
| 6 | Greece | LAG KENAKAP/Thessalia "Rural Tourism in Kalogiri-Elati" * | Kalambaka-Pyli/Thessalia "Rural tourism in Vrontero-Elati", Objective 1 (EAGGF) | Sophia Efstratoglou |
| 7 | Ireland | LAG Mid-South Roscommon "Local Action Plan" | County Roscommon "Area Action Plan of the Roscommon Partnership Company", Objective 1 (ERDF, ESF) | Brendan Kearney |
| 8 | Italy | LAG Montiferru "Relaunch of the Casizolu cow cheese production" | Oristano province/ Sardegna "Farm dairy for the production of the sheep cheese Fiore Sardo", Objective 1 (EAGGF) | Carlo Ricci |
| 9 | Netherlands | LAG Flevoland "Bed & Breakfast in small-scale family enterprises" | Province Flevoland "Bed & Breakfast for farm diversification", Objective 1 (EAGGF) | Margot van Soetendael |
| 10 | Sweden | LAG Värmland/Ob. 5b "Total Musikal – performance" | Municipality of Säffle/ Värmland County "Dirty Dancing", Objective 5b | Ulla Herlitz |