



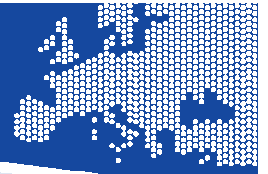
Europe's peri-urban potential

Towards a balanced spatial development in peri-urban regions: which territorial policies?

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Urban-rural linkages: background

Not a new issue:

- ESDP
- Leipzig Charter
- Green Paper on Territorial Cohesion



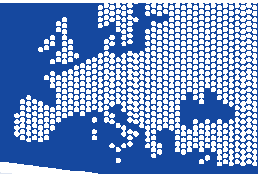


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Not specifically addressed by the Community:

- Provide better knowledge
- Take stock of existing experience on the ground





Urban-rural linkages: Commission seminars

Key messages:

- **Focus on functional areas (peri-urban and others)**
- **Better coordination of funding streams**
- **Governance**
- **Integrated approach**



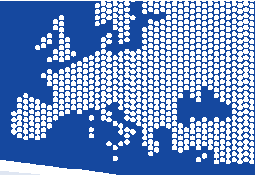


Urban-rural linkages: future role

Follow-up of Commission initiative:

- More seminars?
- Role in future Cohesion Policy





Urban-rural linkages

Commission activities 2008-2009



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