

Rete Rurale Nazionale

# CONFERENCE ON COMMUNITY-LED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT (CLLD) BUDAPEST, 22 JULY 2013 'CLLD – THE MESSAGE UNHEARD'

**OPPORTUNITIES:** The potential contribution of CLLD in specific policy areas, Assessing the potential of CLLD to tackle 2020 development priorities

CLLD and the European Regional Development Fund: The potential role of CLLD in tackling 2020 economic development and green development priorities

#### EXAMPLES.

## The challenge of renewable energy

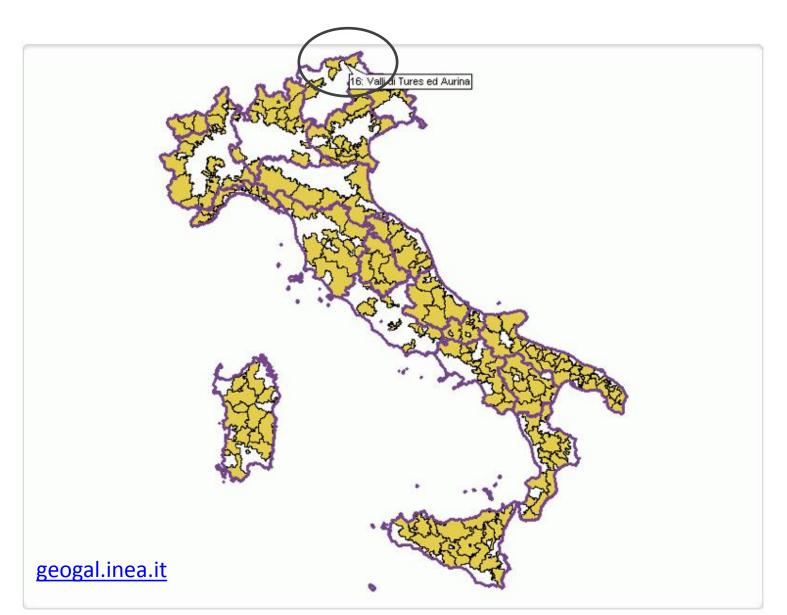
The experience of LAGs: Valli di Tures e Aurina –Val d'Ultimo, Alta Val di Non, Val Martello.





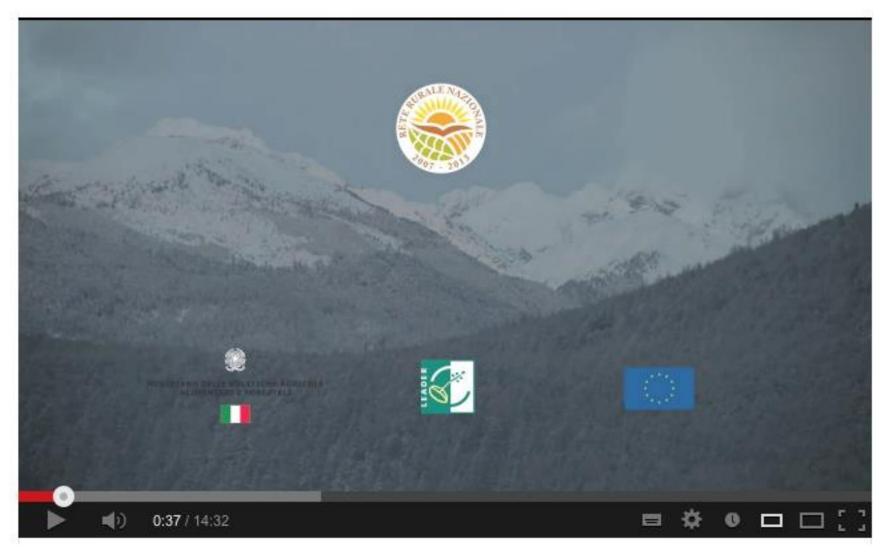


...on the northern top of Italy





#### ...explained through a video documentary by Italian National Rural Network – Task Force LEADER



### The challenge of renewable energy



# 1994

- LAG Valli di Tures e Aurina covers an area of 5 municipalities with 15,000 inhabitants.
- The project was born during Leader I programming in Val Venosta
- Projects were focused on: tourism, agricolture, crafts and vocational training



## **1996** - Leader II starts the challenge to renewable energy

- 7 feasibility studies
- Balance was found between investment, energy consumption and return on investment
- 6 biomass power plants were built for energy supplies of entire communities



# 2007

• Peculiarity of LEADER LDS is to intervene in an integrated and multi-sectoral way and to foster innovation

## **OPERATIONS**

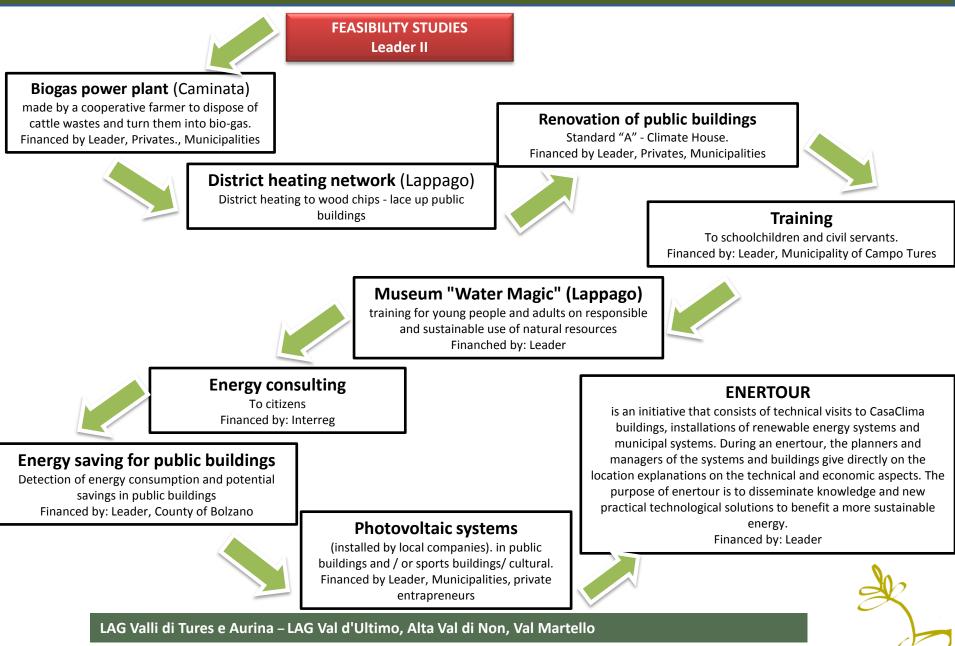
- are sustainable not only from the environmental point of view but also economically;
- the beneficiaries are economic operators as well as the local population;
- affect several sectors (multi-sectoral)

Leader has supported and monitored the implementation of structural interventions by fostering:

- Aggregation of operators (creation of consortiums and cooperatives);
- Aggregation and renovating (according to the criteria casaclima) of space dedicated to the provision of public services and / or required for public interest to encourage the full use of existing facilities;
- Training of power plant operators and / or employees of the construction industry;
- awareness-raising and training for young people and adults on responsible and sustainable use of natural resources and their use for the production of energy;
- accompaniment to citizens through advisory services on renovation of housing to improve energy management.

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## **Results (expexted)**

- drastic reduction in spending (businesses and home use) for energy supply;
- drastic reduction in CO2 emissions;
- spread (both for entrapreneurs and for local population) of 'responsible' behaviour.

## **Results (unexpected)**

- innovation and revitalization of local economy (dissemination of expertise in the renewable energy sector and the building sector);
- creation of a new tourist attraction for the territory (Enertour)

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#### Video - www.reterurale.it/leader



# **ERDF THEMATIC OBJECTIVE 4**

# (4) supporting the shift towards a low-carbon economy in all sectors:

# **INVESTMENT PRIORITIES**

(a) promoting the production and distribution of renewable energy sources;

(b) promoting energy efficiency and renewable energy use in SMEs;

(c) supporting energy efficiency and renewable energy use in public infrastructures and in the housing sector;

(d) developing smart distribution systems at low voltage levels;

(e) promoting low-carbon strategies for urban areas;



Actions	1992-2013	2014-2020
Feasibility Studies	LEADER	FEASR
Biogas power plant	LEADER, Privates, Municipalities	ERDF
District heating network	-	ERDF
Renovation of public buildings	LEADER, Privates, Municipalities	ERDF
Training to schoolchildren and civil servants	LEADER, Municipalities	ESF
Museum "Water Magic" (Lappago) training for young people and adults	LEADER	ESF
Energy consulting to citizens	INTERREG	ERDF/ESF
Energy saving for public buildings	LEADER, County fo Bolzano	ERDF
Photovoltaic systems	LEADER, Municipalities, private entrapreneurs	ERDF
ENERTOUR	LEADER	ESF
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