



Towards Sustainable and Innovative Development in Rural Areas

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b) Cross-sectoral rural–urban relationships, based on and including flows of goods and services, extended labor markets as well as other relationships based on funding or social interactions.

c) Territorial or socially innovative governance schemes taking into account the role of different groups of stakeholders, empowerment and the role of civil society, cross-sectoral governance mechanisms, etc.

d) Policies and strategies aimed at the sustainable and innovative development of rural territories.

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