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Sustaining Rural Innovation: Reflexivity, Diversity and Co-creation

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- co-creation
- co-design
- governance
- networks
- multi-actor approach (MAA)

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