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SmartVillages – SmartAlps SmartCommunity

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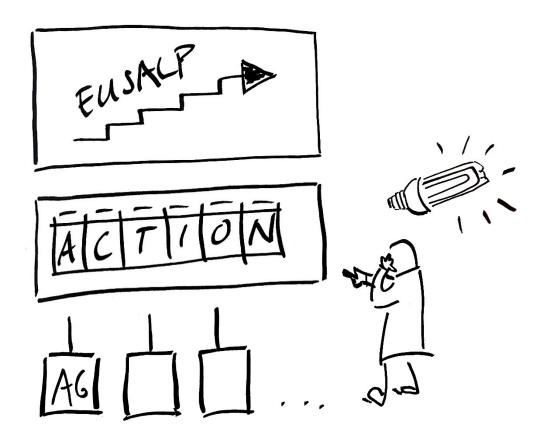
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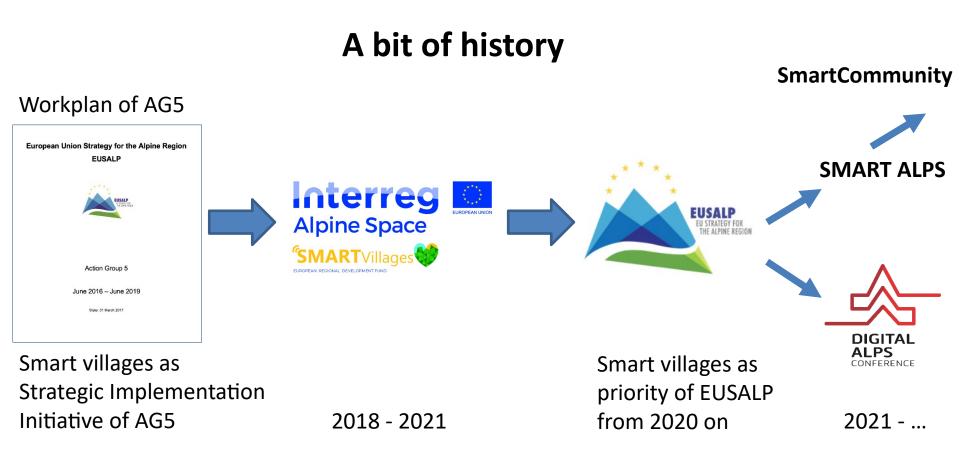
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Objectives and definition of the SmartVillages project

importance to build on existing local strengths and opportunities to engage in a process of sustainable development of their territories. The project relies on a participatory approach to develop and implement strategies to improve economic, social and environmental conditions, in particular by promoting innovation and mobilizing solutions offered by digital technologies. The test areas benefit from Cooperation and alliances with

other communities and actors in rural and urban areas.









Policy recommendations

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R1: Consider the smart transformation of mountain, rural and peripheral villages as a strategic priority

R2: Embed Smart villages in existing and future strategies and policies

R3: Allocate funds to integrative approaches such as the Smart villages

R4: Allow room for innovation and experimentation





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R5: Encourage networking and the exchange of experiences around the Smart village approach within rural and mountain areas and with urban areas

R6: Use the potentials of the Smart villages approach to communicate the innovation potentials and attractiveness of mountain and rural areas and to link urban and rural areas

R7: Develop digital infrastructures and skills according to the needs and to the technological possibilities





SmartAlps

An informal network of alpine smart villages and regions, which aims to

- disseminate the Smart Villages approach and foster the smart transformation in mountain and rural areas in the Alpine arc,
- encourage the exchange of information and experiences among Smart Villages and Smart Regions within the Alpine area,
- transmit a modern image of mountain and rural areas,

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• foster contacts with similar networks and initiatives for mountain and rural areas all over Europe.

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