

## ENPARD Moldova "Support to Agriculture and Rural Development" SRC

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Moldova

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Republic of Moldova



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### Project description:

The SARD Programme aims to boost the collaboration between central and local authorities, as well as among the regional organizations from ATU Gagauzia and Taraclia district, so as to foster the social-economic development of the region and of the Republic of Moldova as a whole. The Programme contribute to development of the agri-food sector, promotion of local entrepreneurship, creation of jobs, and increasing the income of the population living in ATU Gagauzia and Taraclia district.

### Expected results:

- 41 communities (100 per cent of targeted region) capacitated to deliver better public services through the received capacity building and community development support and through 41 institutional support grants.
- Targeted support was provided in writing project proposals and identification of potential financial sources: LPAs of targeted region managed to substantially upgrade their fundraising capacities: 248 concept projects were developed, of which 42 project proposals were approved for financing, 78 rejected and remaining 128 are at various stages of evaluation.
- The first in Moldova 8 pilot Local Action Groups (LAGs) were established and formalized, putting together 44 localities from ATU Gagauzia and Taraclia district, as well as several villages from the Cahul, Cantemir and Basarabeasca districts that started joint implementation of rural development projects in the basis of the European LEADER concept.
- 24 workshops and trainings on EU LEADER concept were organized for the representatives of Local public administrations, business community, civil society, as well as decision makers from central and regional levels.
- 69 people participated in study visits to Poland, Lithuania, Romania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Hungary and Italy to learn from best practices of these countries in implementing the EU LEADER concept.
- 170 LPAs participants (91 women, 79 men) representing LPAs from all targeted region communities learned from best LPA and IMC experiences in communities inside and outside target area through four in-country local and information-