

Designing future together

- involving regions in preparation of Polish regional development strategy 2010-2020

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➔ **We involve partners because :**

- WE MUST – fe. due to implications from legal acts
- WE WANT TO – we really do care about the broad acceptance of our ideas.

➔ **Why we are not so willing to involve partners?**

- it generates costs and requires time;
- We are afraid of „political confrontation” – we are not capable to satisfy everyone;
- Involving partners creates risk that it will turn into a wishlist.

➔ (R)evolution in partnership approach - how regions were involved in works

- on NSRF 2007-2013:
 - Regions involved in a limited scope;
 - Rather informing than codecision.
- on NSRD 2010-2020:
 - Profound cooperation;
 - Partners from regions involved from the very beginning:
 - ✓ Surveys sent to regions;
 - ✓ Thematic Working groups - with colleagues from regions as their Chairs;
 - ✓ Works on *Thesis and assumptions*.
 - Continuous cooperation on next stages.

External determinants

- ➔ Debate on the future of cohesion policy;
- ➔ New European and global challenges, for example globalization, demography, energy, crisis;
- ➔ Debate on a role of territorially oriented public policies in socio-economic growth and regional policy;

National determinants

- ➔ Introduction of a new system of development management;
- ➔ Lack of a document concerning regional policy;
- ➔ Review of 10 years of territorial self-government functioning;
- ➔ New actors – metropolises. Discussions on a new multi-level system of development management;
- ➔ Use of experiences connected with the EU funds

NSRD - content „in a pill”

- ➔ Territorial objectives instead of horizontal ones;
- ➔ Focus on development potentials - national meets regional;
- ➔ Wider role of regional policy = coordination of sectoral policies;
- ➔ New role of regional self-governments and greater importance of Regional Development Strategies;
- ➔ Result-oriented and territorially integrated approach (concentration, territorial contract, functional areas);
- ➔ Reforms of the way of planning and implementing the regional policy;
- ➔ NSRD as a strategy outlining the territorial approach of how to programme EU funds within 2014-2020 budget.

➔ **What are their expectations regarding:**

- Objectives of regional policy
- Further decentralization
- Effective instruments
- Institutions

- ➔ Objectives and rules of regional policy
- ➔ Effective division of tasks between national and regional
- ➔ Multi-level governance and financing
- ➔ Effectiveness of the policy - instruments

- ➔ results of the survey;
- ➔ results of works of the working groups;
- ➔ the way of thinking about regional policy;
- ➔ philosophy behind the creation of the NSRD.

➔ **Some issues required additional discussion**

- Objectives and rules of regional policy
- Areas of Strategic Intervention
- Territorial contracts as instruments of regional policy

➔ **Discussion paper for smaller expert group**

➔ **Then discussed with all colleagues from regions**

- ➔ **Preparation of draft NSRD.**
- ➔ **Broad public debate, ia.:**
 - expert meetings,
 - 16 regional conferences.
- ➔ **Works on implementation of the strategy**

➔ **Is broad partnership worth a try? ☐**
DEFINITELY YES!!

- valuable merithoric content from the broad group of specialists;
- greater acceptance of our undertakings;
- greater self-identification with the document, not only at the initial stage but also throughout its implementation;
- strenghtening democracy;
- building social capital.

*Thank you for your
attention*



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