

DIGITISATION: ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPACTS IN RURAL AREAS

**AGENDA** 

## **RURAL DIGITALISATION FORUM**

1<sup>ST</sup> WEBINAR

10 September 2020

#RuralDigitalisationForum

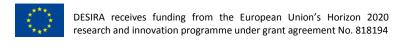
**DESIRA: Digitalisation: Economic and Social Impact in Rural Areas** is a four-years project (2019-2023) with 25 partners funded by the Horizon 2020 programme (see <u>leaflet</u>).

The Rural Digitalisation Forum (RDF) is a platform, hosted by DESIRA, bringing together a wide range of stakeholders working on digitalisation of rural areas. The RDF intends to be a space to share experiences, ideas and recommendations and communicate them across Europe.

In this first RDF meeting, participants will:

- exchange about the results of the Pan-European assessment on the digitalisation of rural areas carried out by DESIRA;
- get a common understanding about the **key conceptual foundations of the project**, namely digital transformation, digital game changers and socio-cyber-physical systems;
- discuss about the practical implications of the **mapping and taxonomy of digital technologies** based on the analysis of about 600 digital tools and applications from across the EU;
- learn about the draft set of socio-economic and sustainability indicators for **measuring the impacts of digitalisation** in agriculture, forestry and rural areas.







Indicative timing	
09.30 - 09.50	Welcome to participants and introduction to the day Gianluca Brunori, UNIPI (IT); Enrique Nieto AEIDL (BE)
09.50 – 10.50	The state of digitalisation in Europe  Preliminary results of the assessment on the state of digitalisation of rural areas.  Michael de Clercq, Gent University (BE)
10.50 - 11.00	COFFEE BREAK / STRECH YOUR LEGS
11.00 – 12.00	DESIRA's conceptual and analytical framework for the assessment of socio-economic impacts of digitalisation  Key concepts - Digital transformation, Digital Game Changers and Socio-Cyber-Physical Systems (SCPS). Exchange about implications for practitioners.  Lurissa den Dulk, Wageningen University (NL)
12.00 – 13.30	LUCH BREAK
13.30 – 14.15	Draft set of socio-economic sustainability indicators (SESI) for measuring the impacts of digitalisation in rural areas  Exchange on the set of indicators and sustainability areas.  Kirsten Gaber, KIT-ITAS (DE)
14.15 – 15.15	Proposed classification of digital technologies  Practical implications of the mapping and taxonomy of digital technologies.  Manlio Bacco, CNR (IT), Silvia Rolandi (UNIPI)
15.15 – 15.30	COFFEE BREAK / STRECH YOUR LEGS
15.30 – 16.15	Rural digitalisation: lessons from H2020 projects  Experiences on digitalisation of rural areas  SHERPA, Sustainable Hub to Engage into Rural Policies with Actors, Michael Kull (Nordregio) SmartAgriHubs, Grigoris Chatzikostas (BioSense Institute)  RURITAGE, Heritage for Rural Regeneration, Francisco Barrientos (CARTIF)
16.15 – 16.30	Closing Remarks and Next Steps

