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Have your say on the future of rural development in Europe: Participate in the Commissions' public consultation

The European Commission is consulting stakeholders to shape the future of rural development all over Europe. It wants to create a vision of future developments and identify key elements to foster prosperous rural areas. This public consultation will help the Commission to get a picture about all different kinds of matters from concerned stakeholders.

As IFOAM Organics Europe, we will call on our members to fill out the consultation to help shape a long-term vision for rural areas by filling out and promoting their **public consultation**. We are convinced that the dynamics around organic farming are a key asset for many rural areas in Europe, with leading initiatives such as the creation of biodistricts. We will share our draft replies with you during the next two weeks.

The consultation covers topics such as:

The needs of rural areas today

What makes rural areas attractive

Opportunities for the future of rural areas

Governance in rural areas

Optional set of questions on the CAP