

### Portugal – Azores

### I. General information

Thematic provisions	LAGs selected thematic areas considered as priorities for their territories, when drawing up the LDS.
Territorial provisions	"Interterritorial Cooperation" - rural territories in Portugal "Transnational Cooperation" - rural territories in EU MSs and in 3rd countries.
Potential partners	LAGs Other partners – associations, cooperatives, or complementary group of companies with an active role on rural development (that have a local development strategy involving the local stakeholders).
Guidance in other languages / national language	-
Eligible beneficiaries for cooperation projects	LAG from Azores
Coordinating/lead partner provisions	The LAG coordinator will be nominated by the other partners of the cooperation project. Will have several functions as: coordination, animation of the partnership, verification of the commitments made among the several partners.  To present a cooperation protocol containing the plan of activities to be developed with the obligations, duties and responsibilities of all the partners involved as well as the designation of the LAG coordinator of the cooperation project.
Simplified costs	Not applicable
Calls	Annual calls. It is foreseen a ongoing system in certain periods.
Project selection	The projects are selected by the Managing Authority.
Budget allocation for cooperation to LAGs	1.000.000€.
Other provisions	



#### **II. Financial information**

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Total public expenditure	1.104.651,40 €
Maximum amount of support	-
Minimum amount of support	-
Maximum rate of support	100%
Other provisions	-

### **III. Preparatory support**

Rationale/ purpose of the support	-
Eligible beneficiaries	-
Basic eligibility criteria	-
Eligible actions	-
Eligible costs	-
Non-eligible costs	-





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## **IV. Inter-territorial Cooperation**

Rationale/ purpose of the support	To promote the design and development of cooperation projects between the rural territories of the Portuguese territory (mainland and islands).
Type of eligible territory	Rural territory.
Basic eligibility criteria	-Cooperation between the beneficiary and at least one other LAG (from the rest of the national territory); - Detailed project information; -Cooperation protocol containing the plan of activities to be developed with the obligations, duties and responsibilities of all the partners involved as well as the designation of the LAG coordinator of the cooperation project.; - Provide technical, economic and finantial coherence; - To ensure the sources of private financing capital; - To implement the LDS.
Eligible actions	- Participation in events; organization of information and promotion activities; electronic platform; animation costs.
Eligible costs	<ul> <li>Building Preservation and renovation Work;</li> <li>the purchase of new machinery and equipment</li> <li>Technical studies</li> <li>Consulting services</li> <li>Information material</li> <li>Travel and accomodation</li> <li>General expenses</li> </ul>
Non-eligible costs	-Buildings – property acquisition; -The interest on dobts; -Costs connected with the leasing contract, such as lessor's margin, interest refinancing costs, Insurance premiums; - Expenses with any guarantees; -VAT





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## V. Transnational Cooperation (TNC)

Rationale/ purpose of the support	To promote the design and development of cooperation projects between the rural territories of Azores islands and the rural territories in EU MSs and in 3rd countries.
Type of eligible territory	Rural territories.
Eligible actions	- Participation in events; organization of information and promotion activities; electronic platform; animation costs.
Eligible costs	<ul> <li>Building Preservation and renovation Work;</li> <li>the purchase of new machinery and equipment</li> <li>Technical studies</li> <li>Consulting services</li> <li>Information material</li> <li>Travel and accomodation</li> <li>General expenses</li> </ul>
Non-eligible costs	-Buildings – property acquisition or construction; -The interest on dobts; -Costs connected with the leasing contract, such as lessor's margin, interest refinancing costs, Insurance premiums; - Expenses with any guarantees; -VAT
Eligible actions	- Participation in events; organization of information and promotion activities; electronic platform; animation costs.