A wide-angle photograph of a rural landscape in Moldova. The foreground shows a large, dark brown plowed field. In the middle ground, there is a small village with several houses and trees. The background consists of rolling hills covered in green vegetation under a clear sky.

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LEADER in Republic of Moldova



LEADER in 2023:

52 LAGs

494 Administrative Territorial Units

812 Villages

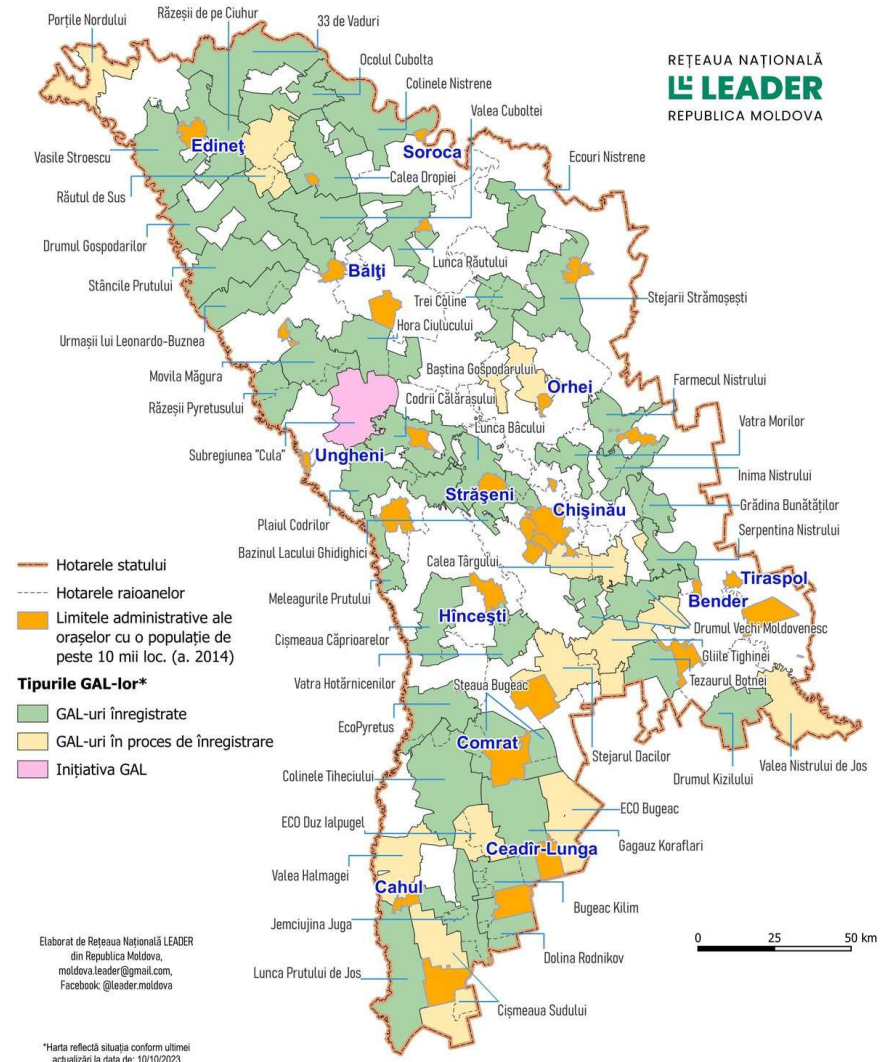
1,14 mln Population

More than 50 % of the total area of the country

1586 local development projects implemented

Aprox. 5 mln. Euro - buget for LEADER from development partenrs (2016 – 2022)

Aprox. 4 mln. Euro – state buget – National LEADER Program (2022)



State of Play 2016 - 2021

2016 - 2019:

- LEADER pilot & multiplication phase

Results:

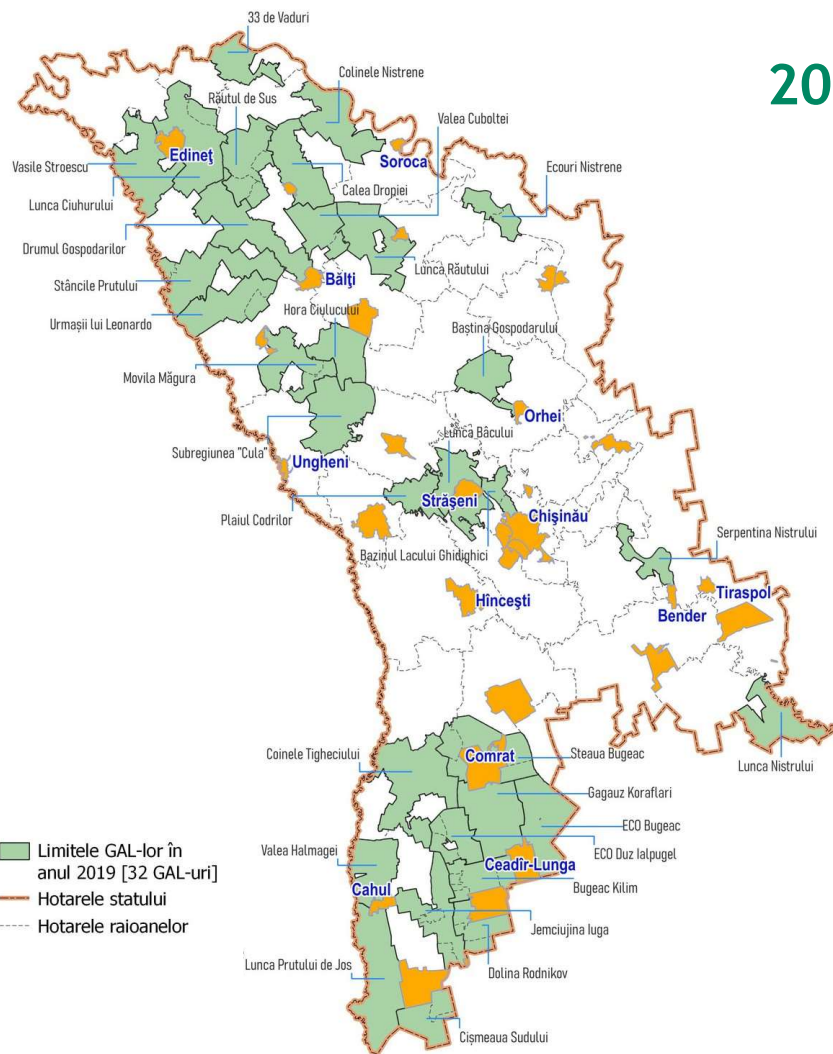
- LEADER methodology – adopted to MD context;
- LEADER practical experience: 30% of rural population, 32 LAGs (functioning & LDS), approx. 400 projects implemented 2018-2019.

2020 - 2021:

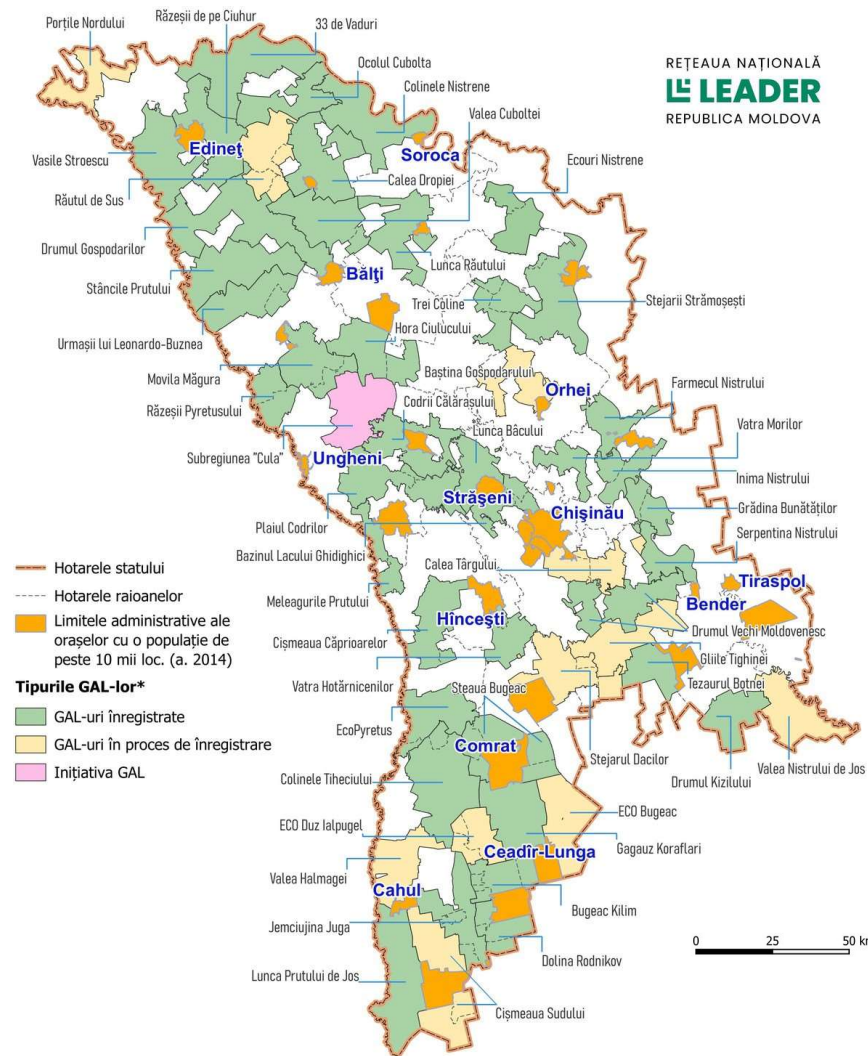
- development of the **National LEADER Programme** (law adjustment & law on LAG status & regulations for the Programme);
- **LEADER scaling** and **LAG profesionalisation**
(continued in 2021 – 2023)



2019



2023



About the LEADER Network

ESTABLISHMENT

in **November 2018** thanks to the common efforts of the Moldovan Local Action Groups and organizations that facilitated implementation of the LEADER approach in the country.

MAIN GOAL

Promote rural development and LEADER approach and represent the interests of Moldovan LAGs.



What we do?

ASSISTANCE TO LAGs IN THEIR ACTIVITIES AND DEVELOPMENT

Support to LAGs in design and implementation of Local Development Strategies, delivers technical assistance and community coaching to build LAGs capacities and to strengthen local development.

CREATION OF THE NEW LAGs ACCORDING TO LOCAL LEADER METHODOLOGY

Since 2020 the Network has started to assist rural communities in the process of creation of **LAGs following** locally-tailored LEADER methodology.

ADVOCATING AND PROMOTING RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEADER APPROACH

Advocates and promotes the LEADER approach in the country. Addresses the needs of its members through collecting and developing common positions and statements for better rural development.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Works for better international cooperation between Moldovan and European LAGs and actively participate in different CS platforms, including: ELARD, PREPARE, EaP Civil Society Forum etc.



Partnership Fund Development of National and International Partnerships



REGIONAL FORUMS

Communication platform on how LAGs can establish cooperation partnerships, share experiences and good practices, present success stories and organize mini fairs of local products.



MENTORING PARTNERSHIPS

Transfer of knowledge from mentor to mentee. The mentor establishes a partnership with one LAG that needs support in developing their capacities and competencies.



STUDY VISITS

Fostering the development of cooperation activities and sharing LEADER experiences between Moldovan LAGs and EU LAGs.



Partnership Fund Development of National and International Partnerships

More than 20 Regional Forums organized

North



Center



South





Partnership Fund Development of National and International Partnerships



**21 study visits
organized by
LAGs with NLN
support.
Ensuring
mobility for
264
participants.**

- Romania
- Croatia
- Poland
- Bulgaria






Thank you for attention!!

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