URBAN-RURAL synergies in the metropolitan region of Lisbon
insights from stakeholder perspectives

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  - Boundary-spanning; Collaborative partnerships; Coordination of actions

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Woods, M. (2018) WP1
Case study regions (Living Labs)

New Localities

How is the territory defined as absolute, relative and relational space?

What are the internal and external rural-urban relations?

Does the region/locality have material and imagined coherence?

Collection of contextual data

Data on flows and transactions across rural-urban space within and beyond the region/locality

Non-numeric spatial data

Collection of perceptions

Adapted from Woods, M. (2018) WP1
Methodological approach

Focus Group 1
- ICNF
- A2S
- MARL
- IVV
- DRAP-LVT
- CM Mafra
- CM Setúbal
- CCDR-LVT

Focus Group 2
- DEP. CCDR-LVT
- Desenvolvimento Regional
- Ordenamento do Território
- Órgão de Acompanhamento das Dinâmicas Regionais

May – June 2018 - 13 Stakeholders
Q1

How would you describe the region that you cover with your work?
CCDRLVT – Spatial Planning & DRAPLVT
ICNF
Mafra Municipality
A2S
MARL
CCDRLVT -Regional development
Setúbal Municipality
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Setúbal Municipality
Wine and Vignard Institute
Q2

What holds this region together?

Is there a strong sense of regional identity among the people who live here? What is unique and distinctive?
The city of Lisbon
The river
The Atlantic Ocean
Cultural heritage
Nature: two estuaries & two mountains
Landscape views
Urban development

Catalyst effect of the city of Lisbon
Geostrategic location
International

Production & consumption
Competitiveness & entrepreneurship
Knowledge & education
Health services

High suitability for agriculture and forestry

Multicultural character
Demographic density
Q3

Would you describe the region that you cover as rural, urban or a mixture of both?
concepts

- rural-urban fringe
- peri-urban
- fuzzy boundaries
- Counterurbanisation
- functional cities
- Relative space
- Absolute space
- Soft and hard space
Q4

Issues at stake in the LAM

I am going to read out a few statements that reflect some of the topics that we are interested in the ROBUST project. I would like you to say for each whether or not you think that they apply to this region?

Likert-scale
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<td><strong>Most people who live in the LMA also work in the LMA</strong></td>
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<td><strong>There is a strong market for locally-produced food in the LMA</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The infrastructure connecting rural and urban areas in the LMA</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Public services are delivered in an even way across rural and urban areas in the LMA</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Other regions rely on the LMA for water or energy supplies</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The LMA is vulnerable to environmental problems, such as flooding or pollution that start elsewhere</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The towns and cities are the main sites of cultural activity in the LMA</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The LMA has a distinctive cultural heritage</strong></td>
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Production/consumption patterns

Social and Economic system

Resources

New businesses and labour markets

Sustainable food systems

Cultural connections

Ecosystem services

Public infrastructures and social services

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