

Reflection on stakeholder involvement by Regional Living Lab in integrated energy planning

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INTENSSS-PA Regional Living Labs (RLL)

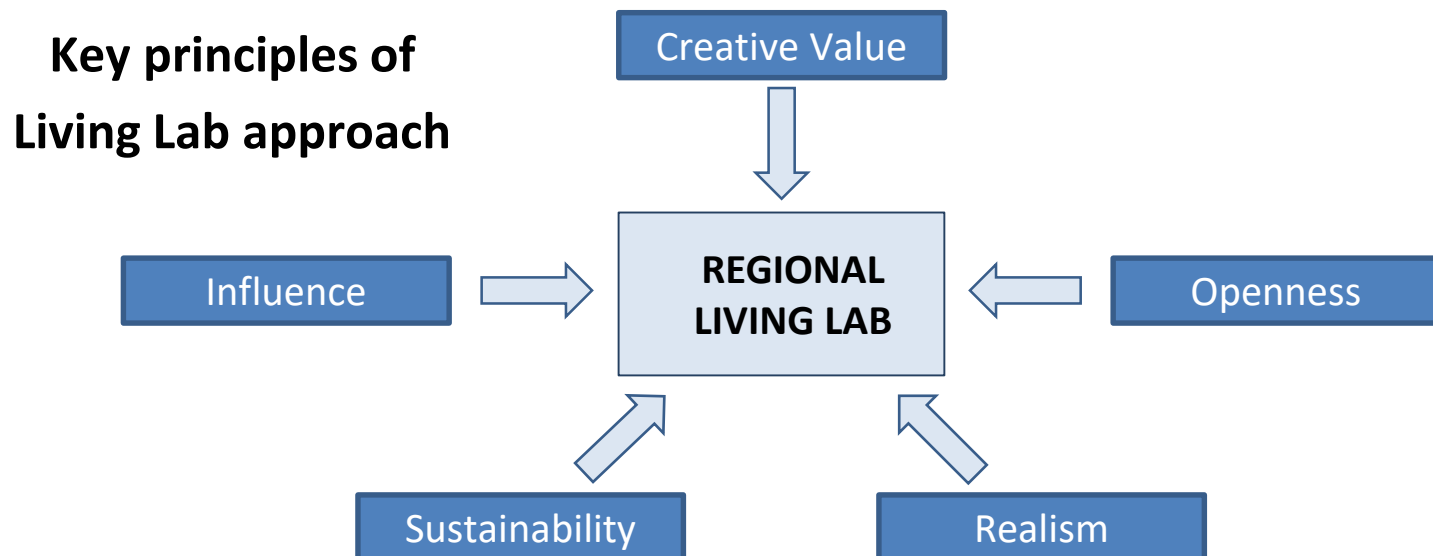
- The approach implemented in the frame of H2020 project
“A SYSTEMATIC APPROACH FOR INSPIRING TRAINING ENERGY-SPATIAL SOCIOECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY TO PUBLIC AUTHORITIES”
- Involvement of stakeholders tested in different 7 EU regional areas
- Focus on the development of 7 regional integrated sustainable energy plans through the Living Lab collaborative environment



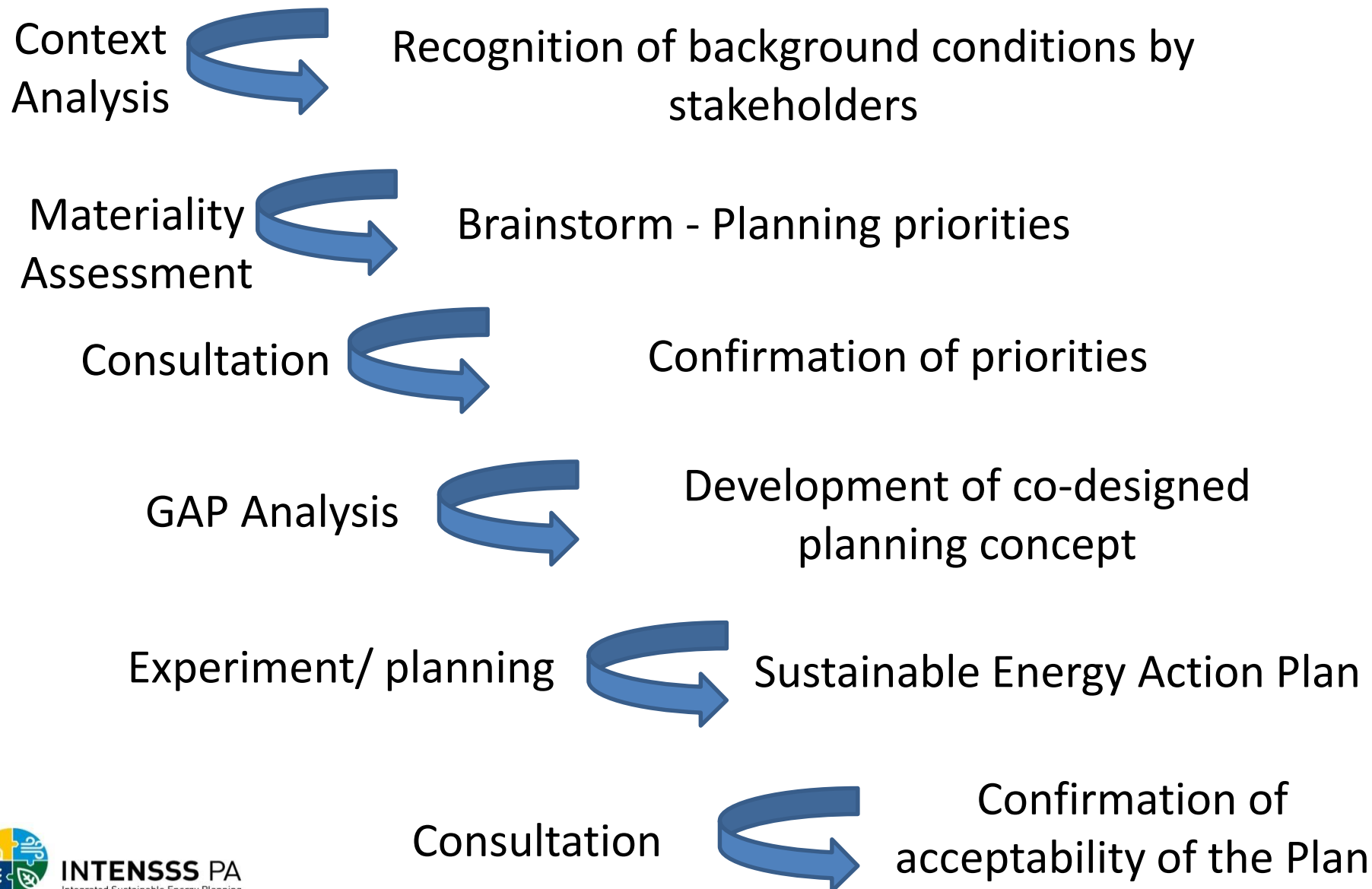
Multi-organizational settings based on multidisciplinary collaboration

Cornerstones of RLLs

1. From successive meetings between all the participants, everyone gets some **benefit in terms of learning** - knowledge of other stakeholders, their view points, identification of new working methods, understanding of existing barriers, etc.)
2. A collective success which will consist of achieving a planning concept developed from **creative collaboration** between all stakeholders



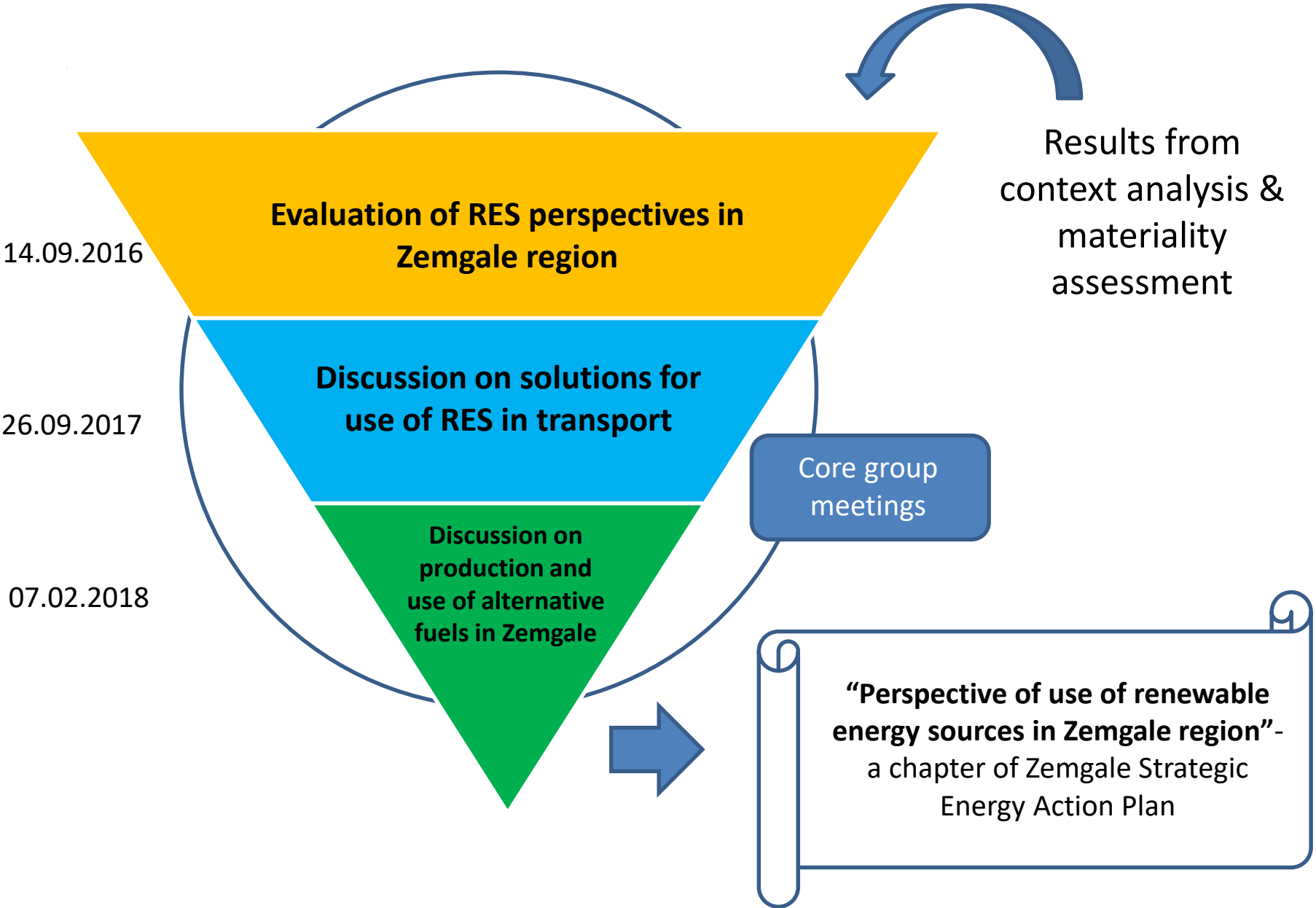
Sequence of RLL activities



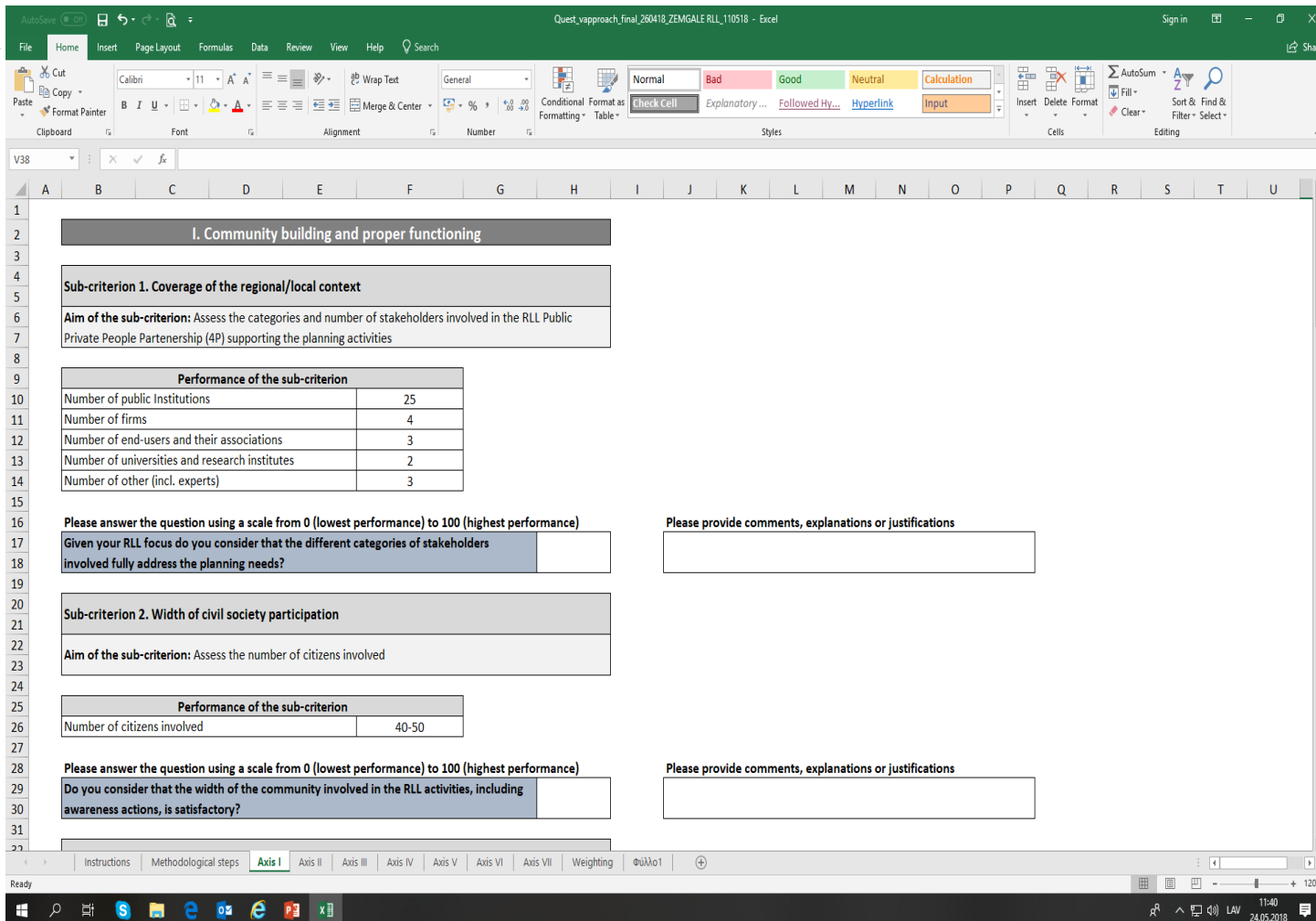
- Co-ordinated by Zemgale Planning Region
- Facilitated by Baltic Environmental Forum – Latvia
- Zemgale RLL created on the bases of Energy working group of Zemgale Planning Region (22 municipalities)



- Extended by experts from the research, business sector, Zemgale Regional Energy Agency and other NGOs



Unified methodology for all 7 regions to evaluate the RLL performance (process, outcomes, impacts):



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I. Community building and proper functioning	
Sub-criterion 1. Coverage of the regional/local context	
Aim of the sub-criterion: Assess the categories and number of stakeholders involved in the RLL Public Private People Partnership (4P) supporting the planning activities	
Performance of the sub-criterion	
Number of public Institutions	25
Number of firms	4
Number of end-users and their associations	3
Number of universities and research institutes	2
Number of other (incl. experts)	3
Please answer the question using a scale from 0 (lowest performance) to 100 (highest performance)	
Given your RLL focus do you consider that the different categories of stakeholders involved fully address the planning needs?	Please provide comments, explanations or justifications
Sub-criterion 2. Width of civil society participation	
Aim of the sub-criterion: Assess the number of citizens involved	
Performance of the sub-criterion	
Number of citizens involved	40-50
Please answer the question using a scale from 0 (lowest performance) to 100 (highest performance)	
Do you consider that the width of the community involved in the RLL activities, including awareness actions, is satisfactory?	Please provide comments, explanations or justifications

Instructions | Methodological steps | **Axis I** | Axis II | Axis III | Axis IV | Axis V | Axis VI | Axis VII | Weighting | Φ0001

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Main findings from Zemgale RLL operation

- Zemgale RLL - applicable institutional approach for effective Integrated Sustainable Energy Planning
- “Strong” points according to stakeholders feedback:
 - Regular meetings involving representatives from various fields and sectors
 - Presentation of good-practice examples
 - Round table discussions by using innovative methods and the step-by-step approach to addressing issues
- Proposal to ensure continuity in a form of a collaborative body - formalizing the establishment of Zemgale RLL by the signature of a cooperation agreement between RLL participants



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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