

Transition from EFF to EMFF

from the point of view of
local development

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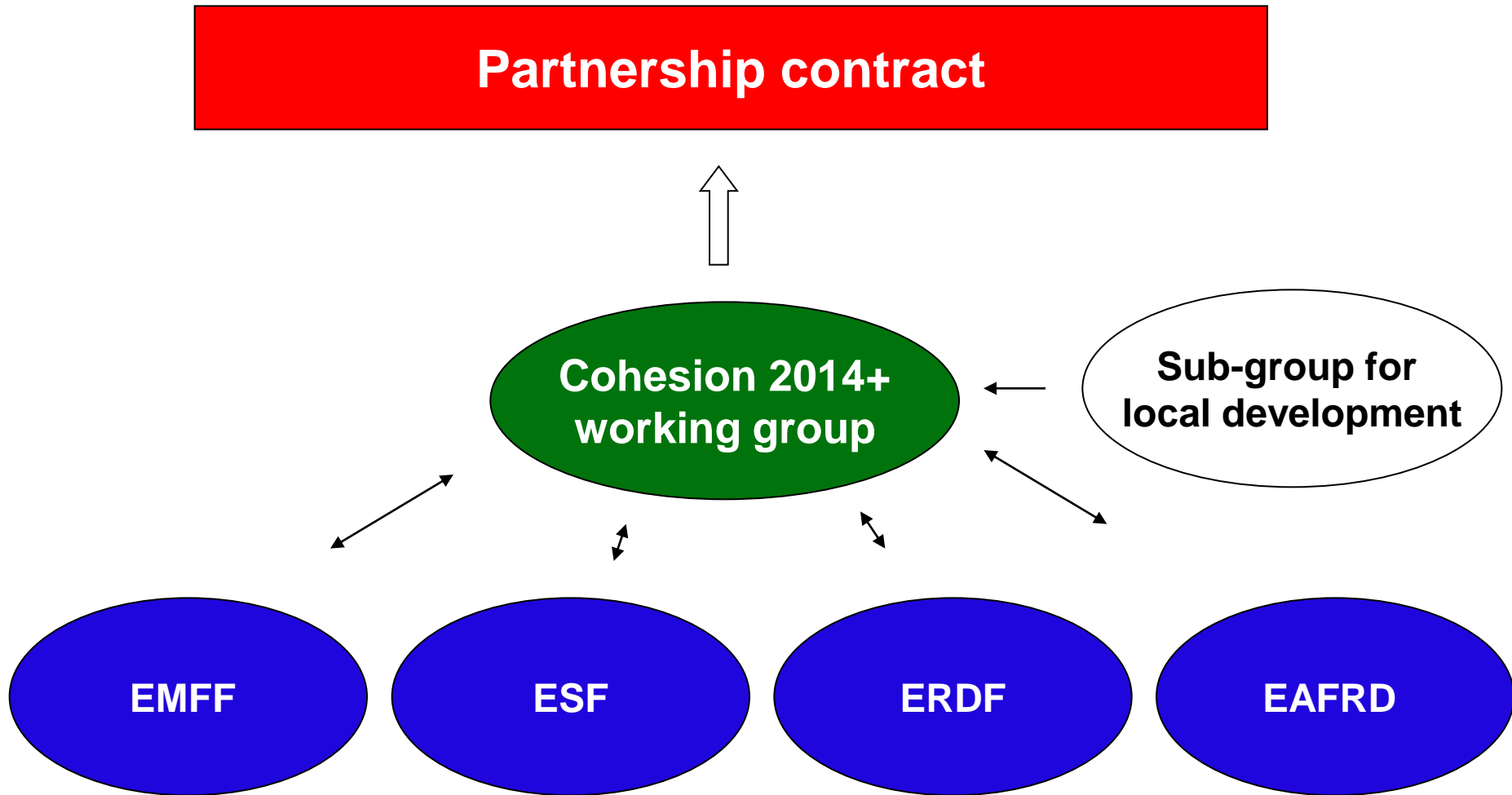
Strategic framework 2014-2020



Common provisions

- The Partnership Contract shall set out:
 - an integrated approach to territorial development supported by the CSF Funds **setting out the arrangements to ensure an integrated approach** to the use of the CSF Funds for the territorial development of urban, rural, coastal and fisheries areas...

Coordination of CSF in Finland



Tasks of the sub-group

1. evaluate the different approaches for local development (Leader, axis 4, Urban, Equal, national initiatives). Define the best practices for local development.
 2. prepare a proposal for implementation models of community-led multi-fund local development in Finland
 3. prepare a proposal for eligible areas and the principles for their formation.
 4. prepare a proposal for a governance model and selection criteria of the local development groups and development strategies
 5. examine the criteria for the allocation of funds to local development and their impacts
- Proposals have to be ready June 2012!

New local strategies -preliminary ideas

- One area, one strategy = Difficult objective
- EAFRD is "on the driving seat"
- Utilisation of existing local development structures to widen the scope of local development
 - LAGs, FLAGs and networks
 - Utilisation of current funding to prepare new strategies!

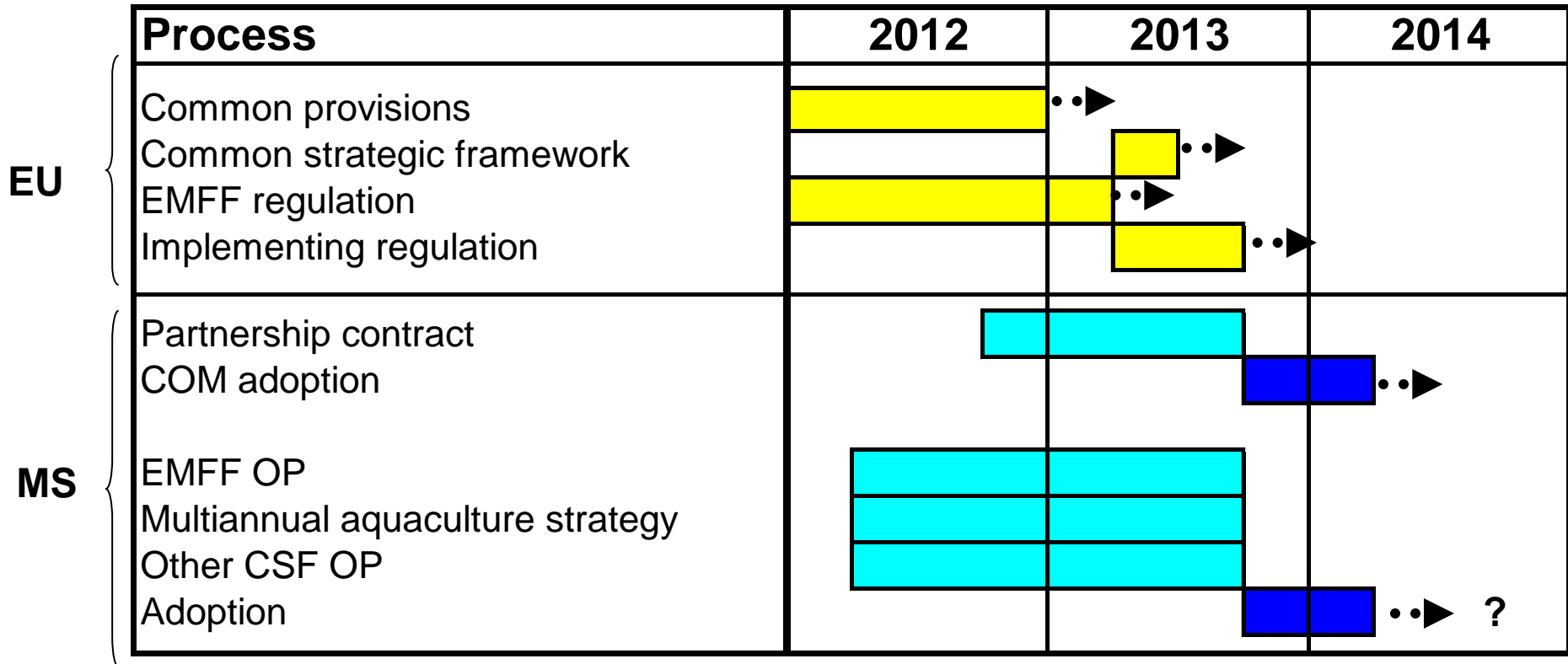
Network units in important role

- Dissemination of information from MA
- Efficient and target-orientated public communication
- Creating new networks
- Organizing of events
 - future workshops, regional workshops
 - training of actors (incl. ESF and ERDF)
- International collaboration
 - Seminar in Finland 7.-8.5.2012 (Role and development of rural networks 2014-2020)

Best practices from 2007-13

1. Transparent and participative process
 - > Regional workshops
 - > The result of evaluations and past experiences are taken into account
2. Periods for planning and applying are long enough
 - > 9-12 months
3. An interactive application process, feedback important
 - > two-phased application process

Challenging timelines



Mission impossible?

All the local strategies have to be adopted in the end of 2015!

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How to speed up the process?

Finnish model

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Indicative decisions

Final decisions

Need for transition period?

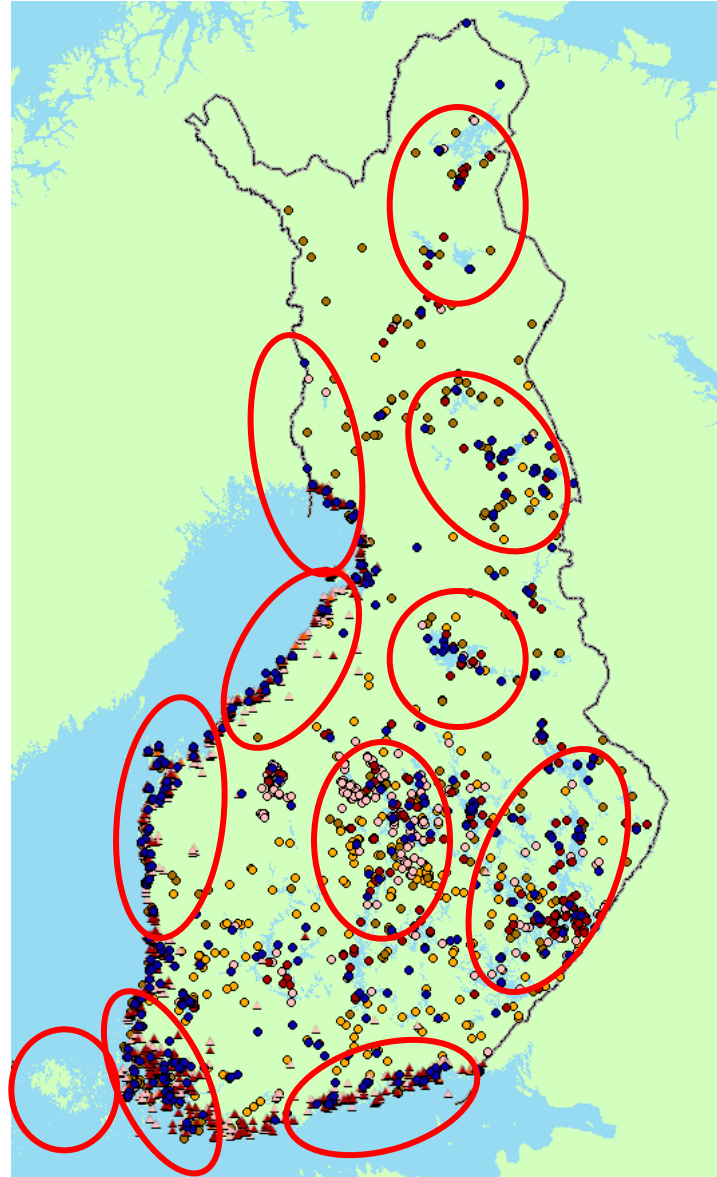
Transition period

- FLAG's strategies cover years 2007-2013
- New local strategies up-and-running in the end of 2014
- Need to secure the continuation of axis 4
- Modification of local strategies
 - Extending the implementation time (->2015)
 - Modification of financial table
 - Extra funding from municipalities (2014)

Common strategic framework

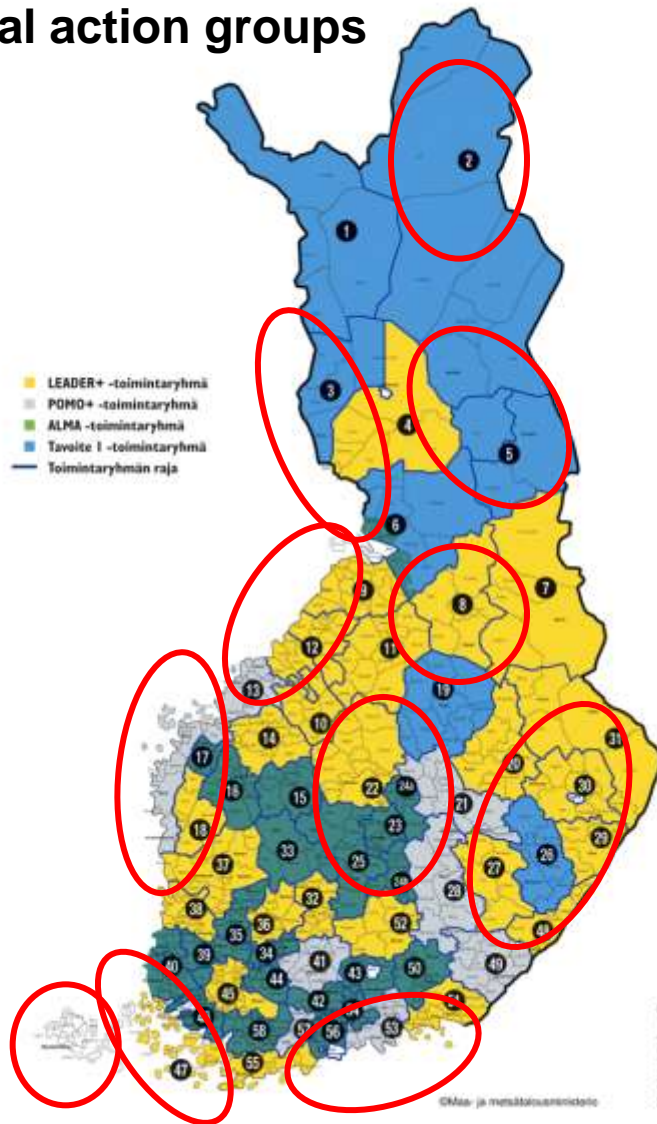
- Advantages
 - Increase coordination between funds
 - Enables to improve cost-efficiency in management and control systems
 - Less demarcation lines between funds
- Disadvantages
 - Timelines are extremely challenging
 - Any delay in any process/fund may cause serious problems and delays in local development
 - MA in difficult position, have to act before the legislation is ready

The geography of fisheries



Alternative models

Local action groups



Tricky situation:

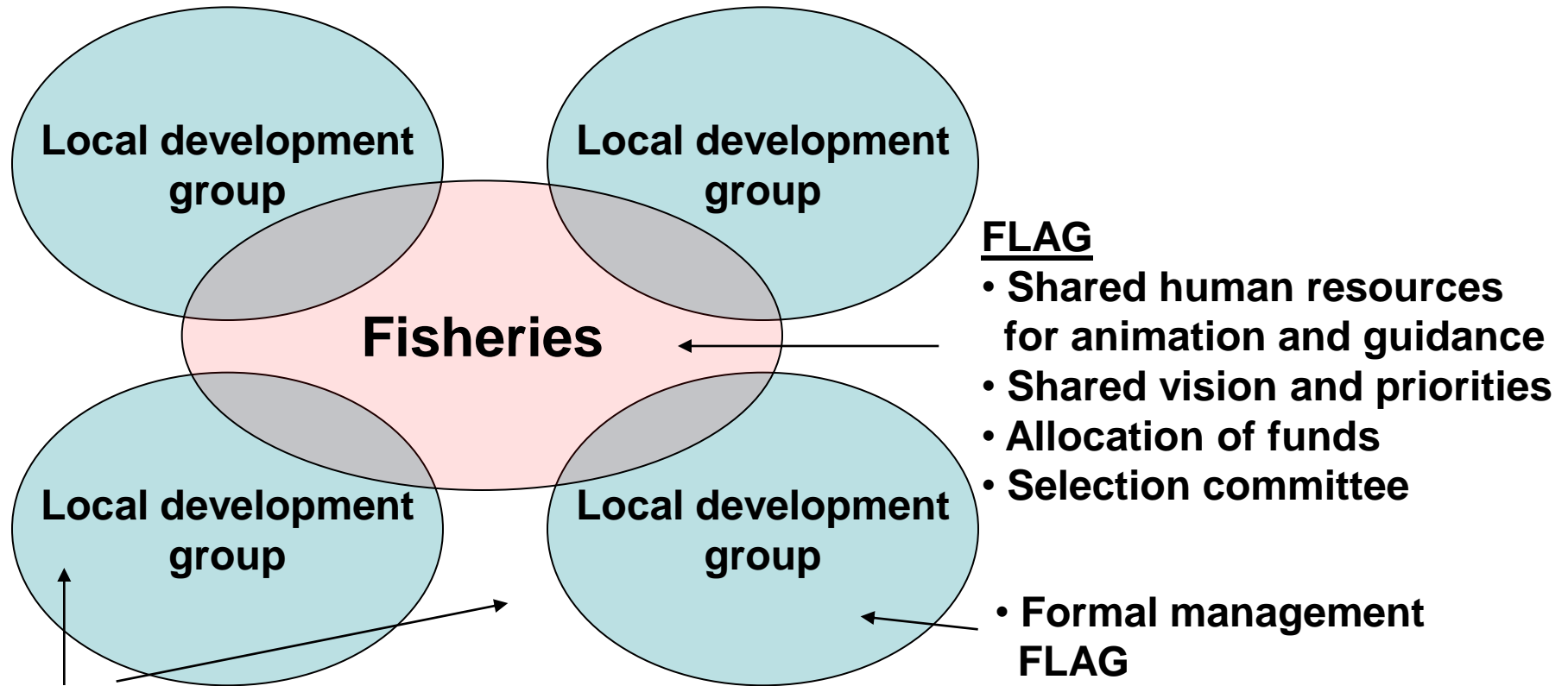
- limited EMFF budget
- large number of local groups
- evenly distributed fisheries sector
- critical mass of fisheries

Toolbox in EMFF:

1. one area, one strategy (possible in some areas)
2. No EMFF funding to non-fisheries areas
3. Umbrella model (geographically large areas, low density fisheries)

Umbrella model in EMFF?

LAG's collaboration projects as a benchmark



- Definition of local measures for fisheries development in all local strategies