Territorial Approach to Local Development (TALD)

A framework to integrate LAs in EU supported programs and projects

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The term “Local” refers not just to a **where** (which is ultimately a matter of standing of the observer), but, more importantly to a specific **how** and **by whom** development is promoted.

The **leveraging of place-specific resources** through **enabling political and institutional mechanisms** of **Governance** and **administration**, constitutes the critical difference between:

- genuine Local/Territorial Development and
- the simple “**localization**” of regional, national, or global development objectives and programs.
Territorial Development is about partnerships

People outside the public sector
- Citizens helping themselves
- Volunteers
- People working in charities, private organisations

New sources of funding
- Private philanthropy
- Corporate social responsibility
- Community contributions

New assets
- Making use of non-public assets (e.g., church halls, local materials, communal property)
- Handing public assets over to communities, charities, private groups

Local governments have the:
- Mandate for the economic and social welfare of the local community,
- Legitimacy for coordination and integration of different actors;
- Normative capacity;
- Responsive to local demands

State resources

Non-state resources
In short, democratic representation is about:

**Actors**: which authorities are present in the local arena;

**Powers**: which meaningful *discretionary powers* do they hold in order to be able to respond to demands when held to account,

**Accountabilities**: what accountability *mechanisms* are in place that can be exercised to **ensure the responsiveness** of these authorities, and

**Citizenship**: what *powers* (knowledge and means) citizens have in order to engage in holding **leaders to account**.
Defining Decentralization

Power Transfers

Central Government
Ministries:
- Health
- Environment
- Education...

- Elected Local Government
- Administrative Local Authority
- Customary Authority
- NGO
- PVO
- CBO
- Individual or Corporation
- 3rd Sector
- Donors
  Big NGOs

Democratic Decentralization
Deconcentration (Administrative Decentralization)

Public-Private Spectrum

Public

Private
Power Transfers

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Public-Private Spectrum

Public
Privace
Decentralization

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Contracts, Delegations
Transfers

Individual or
Corporation

Participation

Non-market
Privatization

Hybrids?

Privatization

3rd Sector

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Public ———— Public-Private Spectrum ———— Private

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Not Decentralization

Public - Public-Private Spectrum - Private

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Public  Private
Accountabilities Define Institutions

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Accountability

Democratic Decentralization
Deconcentration
Non-market Privatization
Contracts, Delegations Transfers,
Participation

Local Populations
THANKS