



*EU Rural Pact Principles -
an Intrinsic part of
the Czech Rural Development Concept*

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Conceptual Basis

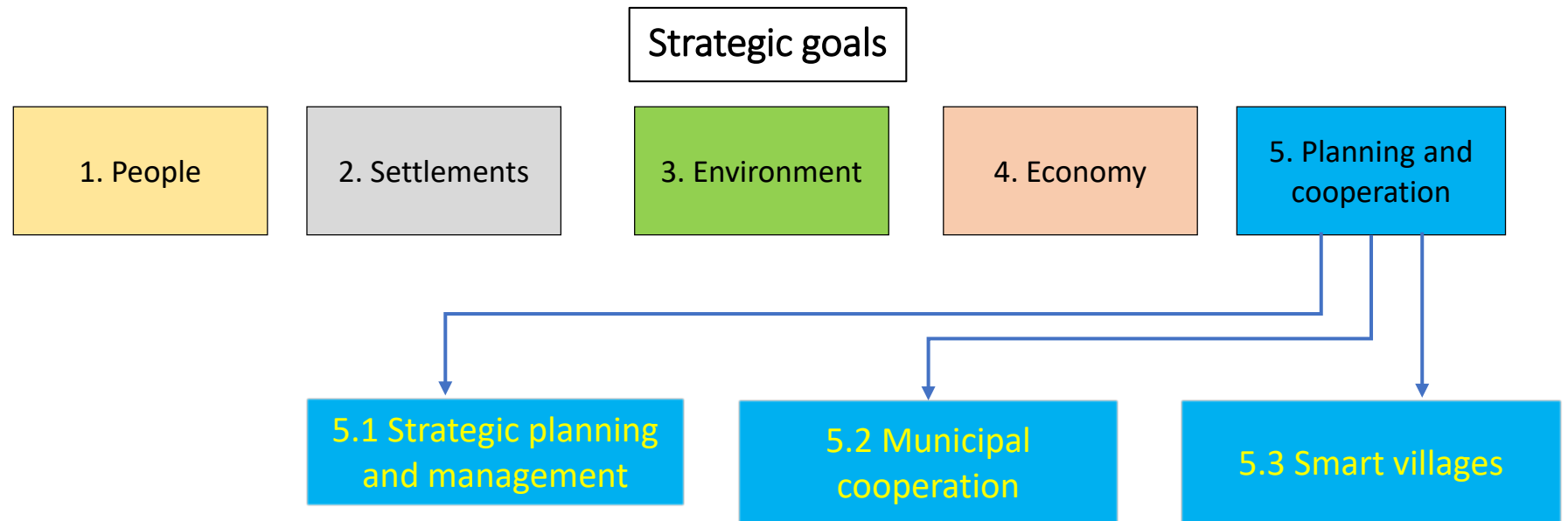
- Rural Development Concept (of CR) follows similar principles and goals as LTVRA
- Rural Development Concept was elaborated in a broad cooperation with multiple stakeholders
- Was adopted by Government in January 2020
- Is implemented mainly by Action Plans of Regional Development Strategy of the Czech Republic 2021+
- Concept of Smart Cities applies to rural communities, too



Czech Rural Development Concept

- Vision: „In 2027, the rural areas are places to live well and are said to live well there.“

5 strategic goals
17 specific goals

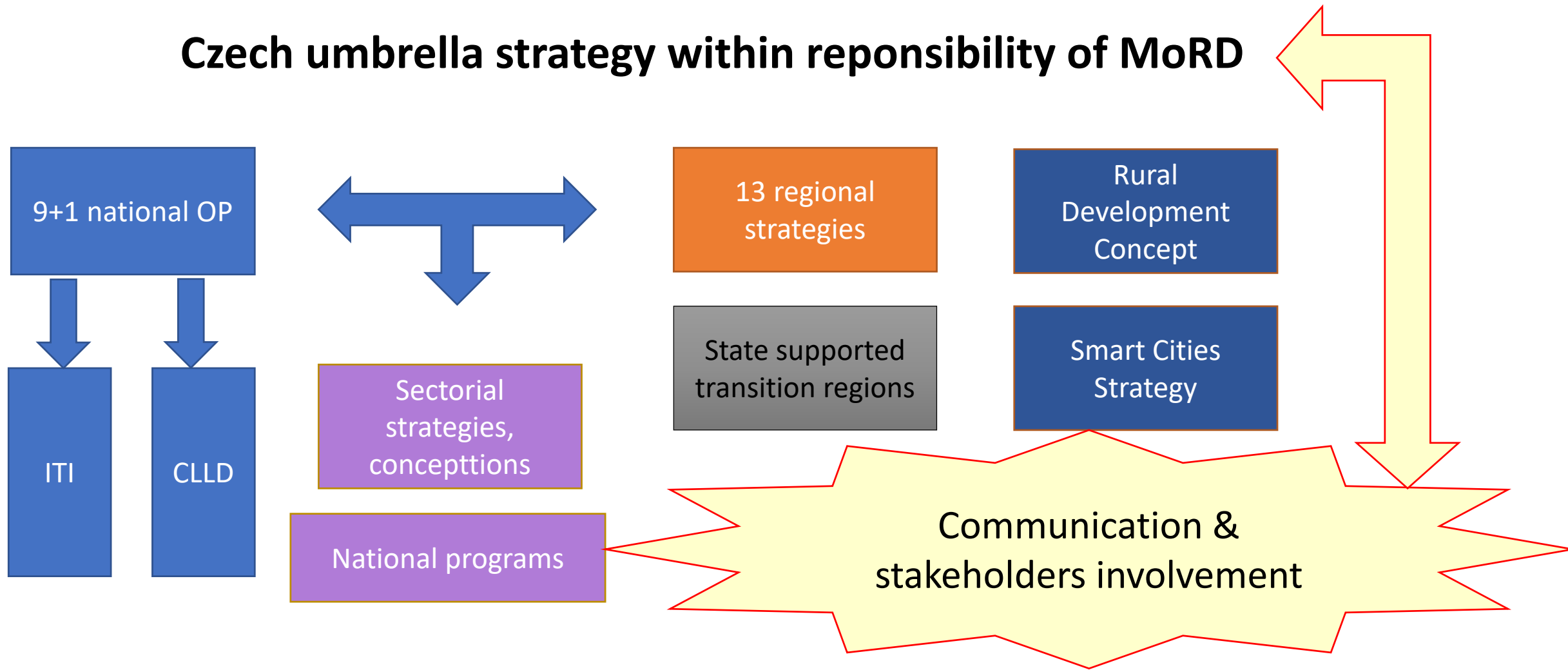


Czech SMART concept = Smart City, Smart Village, Smart Region

- **Mission:** The involvement of modern technologies in urban/local management to improve the quality of life of the population and streamline and optimize governance, including resource efficiency, risk management, better communication and getting feedback from the public.
- Creating **resilient villages, towns, cities and regions** capable of reacting to sudden unexpected changes
- **Role of MoRD:**
 - Implementation of the **Smart concept**
 - **Coordination** of national and local actors
 - **Methodological guidance** (implementation, identification of barriers, impact assessment...)
 - **Pilot projects** (innovative features, testing of new processes and technologies, PPP projects)
 - Collaboration on **research projects..**

Regional Development Strategy

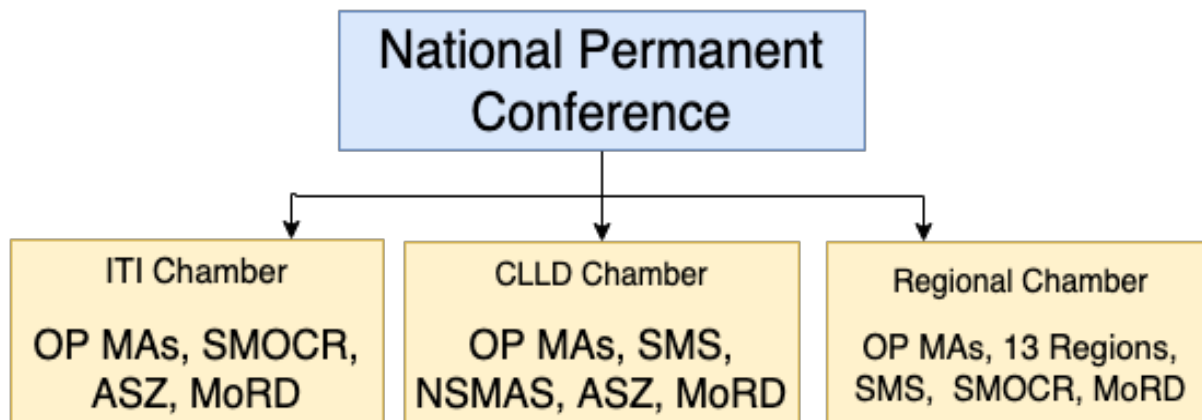
Czech umbrella strategy within responsibility of MoRD



Communication & stakeholders

National and Regional Permanent conferences

- Adopt resolutions to be considered/enacted by state agencies
- Summits 2x year, fixed wide spectrum of territorial partners



Gov. Committee for Regional Development

- Enforcement of national regional policy
- Impact assessment (TIA, RIA, RuProof. Etc.)

National Rural Conference

- Adopts Final statement
- Summits annually, voluntary participation
- „Rural Parliament“

WG for Rural Development

- Representatives of ministries, academia, associations of municipalities
- Discusses rural issues
- Meets quarterly

Why National Rural Pact platform?

- **To give the chance to wider scope of stakeholders to take part**
 - To help sharing the vision and goals of rural development,
 - To reinforce the working and implementation environment,
 - To create a strong common voice of all involved,
 - To interconnect various stakeholders at all levels,
 - To provide information on the capacities of the stakeholders.





Who & How?

- Any person (even as a representative of the institution) who feels to be a local/regional/national actor in rural development.
- With a simple web registration form
 - Open at the website <https://www.mmr.cz/cs/microsites/uzemni-dimenze/uvod>
 - Unlimited registration, open community
- Registrants/stakeholders provide their e-mail contact and
- Are invited to declare how they can give hand in achieving the goals of shared goals (of the Rural Development Concept)



They will join the Pact:

- **Association of Regions** of the Czech Republic *with support of vulnerable regions*
- **Union of Towns and Municipalities** of the Czech Republic
- **Association of Local Government** of the Czech Republic *with the project Obec 2030*
- **National Network of Local Action Groups** in the Czech Republic *with the support of community energy*
- The Czech **National E-Health Center** *with the support of telemedicine*
- **Ministry of Agriculture CZ** *with the support of innovations in agriculture*
- **Ministry of Regional Development CZ** *with the support of 5G networks and establishment of the Government Committee for Regional Development*
- **Association of Private Farming** of the Czech Republic *with Farm to Fork project – from local farmers to local people*
- **Broadband Competence Office** *with support of broadband infrastructure in rural areas*
- and many others...

*Thank you for your attention
and shared inspiration*

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