WG3. Revitalizing Local Communities through Enhancing Traditional Knowledge and Empowering Young Successors
Needs & Challenges

• **Land-use change**
  Unsustainable practices / Land degradation / Alternative livelihoods / External factors (climate/extractive industries)

• **Social and cultural changes**
  incentives for youth / population changes / loss of cultural heritage / lack of successors

• **Research needs**
  Identify and share: best practice through case studies / land-management

• **Policy / Law**
  Scales / land conflicts / marginal groups

• **Financing mechanisms**
  Funding for community projects / markets
Strategies to overcome challenges

• **Education / empowerment / capacity building**
  Support youth leaders and communities / documentation of land use / inspiration

• **Policy and rights**
  Dialogue between key stakeholders/ownership by communities / land rights recognition / resource management agreements

• **Promoting sustainable land use practices**
  Developing and recognising sustainable management practices / technologies

• **Research gaps**
  Targeted research (best practice / environement / processes)

• **Valuing Traditional Knowledge / Cultural Identity**
  Recognition by authorities / community networks for sharing best practice / supporting community initiatives

• **Funding**
  Co-sponsorship of projects / incentives / increase income generating practices
Specific IPSI action points

1. Comprehensive identification and assessment of SEPLs
2. Targeted research to highlight good practice and key themes (case studies)
3. Promote these lessons in broader policy processes
4. Strategic co-operation with other organisations
5. Multi-stakeholder pilot project for sustainable SEPL management
6. Multi-stakeholder cooperation to promote information sharing and advocacy on key issues (land use/extractive industries/land-rights etc)
7. Further information for collaborative activities for IPSI members.
8. Targeted support for educational/empowerment network(s).