

# The rural bites back

*But where are the teeth?*

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# Outline

Old patterns in new guise

Building without foundations

The pathologies of governance

What gives us hope?

Are EU policies promoting  
sustainable ruralities  
in Central and Eastern Europe?

# Pareto Principle



(80/20 rule)

# The 'new rural paradigm' *(OECD 2006)*

A shift from subsidising declining sectors, areas, social groups, towards investment to develop an area's most productive activity

Valorisation of local specificities  resources

Decentralised administration and management

Embrace of multi-level governance

*Bryden 2007*

# Multi-level governance



The foundation of the New Rural Paradigm

# A tangle of powers



Financial power

Political power

Bureaucratic power

# Examples from Hungary



# Where are the teeth?

Enthusiasm

Adaptive Capacity

Reflexive Agency

