The impact of european funding programs on improving the life quality in Romanian rural area

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The transition of the national economy from a centralized to a market system is proved to be difficult and lengthy, with multiple adverse effects on the rural area. Nowadays, the Romanian rural area is characterized by a

relatively low level of development. One of the solutions for improving this drawback is the access of European funds for development of rural area. The most important programs which can be obtained the structural funds are:

National Rural Development Program. In this paper is analyzed the impact that the programs with European funding has on improving the life quality in rural areas, with the following results: increase the incomes for farmers, the assurance of food security, environmental conservation, increasing the number of young people settled in rural areas, reducing the migration for jobs in abroad, improving education, reducing the urban-rural disparities, the recognition and promotion of tourist areas, the preservation of traditions and cultural values.