

FAMENET networking event for FLAGS

Study visit

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Fishermen Recommend quality label

In small Dalmatian towns along the Croatian coast, the best recommendation on where to eat locally-caught fish can usually be given by fishermen. This is because they know best in which catering facilities their catch ends up. In order to bring this information to a higher level and promote it to domestic and foreign guests, the GALEB FLAG designed and funded the creation of a quality label, given to catering facilities that buy fish directly from local fishers. This is contributing to increased visibility of these restaurants and their better positioning in the market. This was a pilot project funded with CLLD preparatory support. <https://www.fishermen-recommend.com/en>

Total budget: €15 000 (100% FLAG funded).

Restaurant Luna

Restaurant Luna is one of the restaurants in the *Fishermen Recommend* scheme. It also applied to the FLAG for a grant to improve its seafood catering facilities. This was an innovative measure promoted by the GALEB FLAG to encourage the area's catering facilities to buy more seafood from local fishermen outside peak season and store it adequately for the summer. It allows fish to be consumed locally and secures better prices for fishermen. The grant covered equipment and ICT solutions for the reception, preparation, processing, preservation, storage and presentation of seafood. The FLAG funded over 20 such projects and, given its success, a number of other Croatian FLAGS have since promoted the same project in their areas.

Total budget: €20 500 / **FLAG grant:** €12 500.

A women's cooperative launches the smoking and salting of local fish

The Fisheries Cooperative Tribunj implemented a project of smoking fish and salting sardines and anchovies. Using FLAG funding, they purchased a smoking chamber and equipment for the process of smoking fish and salting sardines and anchovy by hand, and they also trained their employees for the process of smoking and salting fish. The cooperative is run by women and manages the fishing harbour which is the first ever built in Croatia. <https://www.rzadria-tribunj.hr/en>

Total budget: €109 000 (100% FLAG funded). The project met all three criteria: innovative; collective interest; and collective beneficiary.

One of the best smallest museums in Europe

Betina is one of the centres of small wooden shipbuilding on the Croatian Adriatic and the Betina Museum of Wooden Shipbuilding aims to share knowledge of the craft between the older generations of shipbuilders, visitors, locals and future shipbuilders. The GALEB FLAG has funded a project to restore an old fishing vessel and to create an open air museum. The Museum has won several awards for the best European small museum and has also run another FLAG project on creating a fair for traditional wooden ship building. <https://www.mbdb.hr/en/museum-of-betina-wooden-shipbuilding/>

Total budget: €44 900 (100% FLAG funded).



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