

Better local strategies around the Baltic Sea and in inland areas

Draft Agenda

Day 1: Tuesday, 23 June	
<i>afternoon</i>	<i>Arrival of participants</i>
<i>from 16.00</i>	<i>Registration</i>
17.00 – 19.00	Interactive session on Creating links between FLAGS and other relevant initiatives around the Baltic Sea and in inland areas
19.00	<i>Welcome cocktail and dinner</i>
Day 2: Wednesday, 24 June	
08.30 – 09.00	<i>Registration</i>
09.00 – 10.30	Introductory plenary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Objectives, format, themes of the event • Presentation by DG MARE • Presenting Baltic and inland FLAG areas • Presentation of the host FLAGS
10.30 – 11.15	<i>Networking coffee break</i>
11.15 – 12.45	Improving local development strategies: Working Groups (round 1) Focused on participants' preferences, this WG will help FLAGS develop better LDS to meet challenges linked to (for example): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • local food systems, • developing business opportunities, including sustainable aquaculture and other blue economy sectors, • environmental issues (fish stocks, water quality, protected predators) and climate change, • addressing depopulation, attracting young people to fisheries, • creating jobs and strengthening social cohesion in fisheries communities, • a stronger role for fisheries communities in governance, and improved image of fisheries.
12.45 – 14.15	<i>Lunch</i>

14.15 – 18.00	<p>Capitalising on cooperation projects: a multi-functional exchange space with a variety of activities, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>showcasing cooperation projects</u>: stands presenting several inspiring cooperation projects from the Baltic and inland FLAGs, with questions and discussion. - <u>cooperation working groups</u> (focusing on key themes such as integrating cooperation into FLAG strategies, step-by-step development of cooperation projects, making the most of study visits, involving youth etc.) - <u>cooperation “sofa sessions”</u>: exchange and expert support on cooperation projects from the idea to reality
19.00	<i>Dinner</i>
Day 3: Thursday, 25 June	
08.30 – 09.00	<i>Registration</i>
09.00 – 10.30	Improving local development strategies: Working Groups (round 2), focusing on practical ways FLAGs can develop and implement a better LDS in the next period
10.40	<i>Departure to field trip (Western Lithuania FLAG)</i>
10.40 – 14.00	Field trip: visit to projects and meetings with stakeholders, including lunch
14.00 – 15.00	Closing plenary
after 15.00	(optional) cooperation “sofa sessions” continued

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