

FLAG Factsheet: FLAG Gribskov

LAG Halsnæs-Gribskov

Country: Denmark

Region: Greater Copenhagen

Area: Gribskov Municipality

Code: DK208

Operational: 2014-2020 programming period



AREA

Description of the area and its main challenges

The Gribskov FLAG area is situated in the north of the island of Sealand. It includes the city of Gilleleje, a lively **commercial centre**, which is home to the **region's largest fishing port and only fish auction**. The city is also an important visitor destination, with **tourism and fishing** being the main economic sectors in the FLAG area. Except for herring, all the fish landed in the area is exported and not processed locally.

The main challenges facing the FLAG area are the **reduced income levels of fishermen** caused by the quota system, and an **ageing population** of the fisheries sector caused by the absence of young people entering it. Fishermen are fighting for their survival, with the fleet having declined dramatically in recent years (to less than 35 fishing vessels). However, there is potential to further add value locally by developing the fish processing sector, which is currently limited to herring.

Population: 41 107

Population Density: 147 inhabitants/ km²

Surface area: 280/km²

Coastal or inland: coastal (30 km coastal line)

Protected areas: none

Total employment in fisheries: 130

1. **Fishing:** 50 FTE
2. **Aquaculture:** 0
3. **Processing:** 80 FTE

Women employment in fisheries: not available

STRATEGY

Short summary of the FLAG strategy

The FLAG's strategy aims to respond to the area's social and economic challenges by:

- ✓ Strengthening the fishing industry (production, processing, sales and logistics), focusing on its commercial and environmental sustainability.
- ✓ Developing and improving the visibility of the fish processing sector (services and maintenance).
- ✓ Supporting the development of maritime tourism in the FLAG area.
- ✓ Strengthening cooperation between the fishermen, the processing sector industry and the maritime tourism industry.

Importance of the following objectives

Objective	Priority (1 is low, 5 is very high)	% of the budget allocated to them in the strategy
Adding value, creating jobs, and promoting innovation along the fisheries chain	4	30
Supporting diversification	3	10
Enhancing and capitalising on the environmental assets	3	10
Promoting social well being and cultural heritage	-	-
Strengthening the role of fisheries communities in local development	5	50

Budget information

Total public budget allocated to the FLAG for 2014-2020: €600 000
EMFF: €480 000

Member State co-financing: €120 000

Source of co-financing: National

Multi-funding: EMFF and EAFRD

Project examples and ideas

- Processing herring for retail sales;
- Maritime kitchen gardens (educational platform for children focusing on growing seaweed, oysters and mussels)
- Sustainable lobster fishing methods

Calls for projects

Two or three deadlines for applications are set each year, and published on www.lag-halsnaes-gribskov.dk

Thematic expertise and cooperation

The FLAG is interested in inter-territorial and transnational cooperation on sustainable fishing methods and seaweed farming and management.

At the national level, there is **no specific budget dedicated to cooperation**, so the FLAG will have to look for alternative funding.

PARTNERSHIP

Lead partner or Responsible Legal Entity

Leader LAG Halsnaes is the lead partner.

FLAG members

The FLAG partnership is composed of representatives from the two municipalities (Gribskov and Halsnæs), as well as different NGOs (local communities), private companies (fisheries businesses and local food industry) and local citizens.

Number of individuals on the main decision-making body/ board: 14

% of public actors (on the decision-making body): **29 % (4 of 14, coming from the two municipalities)**

Number of individuals/organisations in the partnership/ general assembly: 100 (LAG and FLAG together)

% of fisheries actors: 20

% of other (non-fisheries) private / NGO sector actors: 80

% of environmental actors: 0¹

Number of contracted staff in the FLAG [FTE]: 1

Links with LEADER or other CLLD groups:

The Halsnæs-Gribskov LAG (Gribskov FLAG) is a joint LAG-FLAG, with a single legal structure and sharing the Gribskov operational area. The LAG-FLAG implements EAFRD and EMFF projects through a common local development strategy.

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Language information

Native language: Danish

Language	Basic level	Intermediate level	Good level
English		X	

¹ This information is independent from the consultation of environmental actors during the elaboration of the local development strategy.