



## FLAG Factsheet: Entrecabos

Grupo de acción costera Entrecabos

**Country:** Spain

**Region:** Galicia

**Area:** Entrecabos. Valdés, Cudillero

**Code:** ES211

**Operational:** 2007-2013 and 2014-2020 programming period

### AREA

#### Description of the area and its main challenges

The Entrecabos area covers two municipalities, located in the centre of the Asturian region and between (“entre”) two capes (“cabos”) that serve as prominent landmarks in the territory. The biggest cities of the area are Cudillero and Luarca, both of which are harbour towns. The remainder of the population is dispersed amongst nearly 250 small villages. The area is steeped in maritime and cultural heritage as well as natural resources. Unfortunately, these characteristics are not widely known.

The fleet is composed of around 100 small scale fishing boats still using traditional techniques. Thanks to the low impact of local fishing practices, fish stocks are assessed to be at sustainable level. Most of the catch is landed daily in one of the two auctions in Cudillero and Luarca. This ensures optimal freshness and quality.

Nevertheless, the fisheries sector is suffering from limited catching opportunities that negatively affect economic dynamism all along the value chain, threatening local employment.

**Population:** 18,004 (2014)

**Population Density [Inhabitants/ km<sup>2</sup>]:** 41

**Surface area [/km<sup>2</sup>]:** 454

#### Protected areas:

There are five Sites of Community Importance (SCI) belonging to the Natura2000 network that are (partly) located in the Entrecabos region: Penarronda-Barayo (4.267 ha), Río Esqueiro (13 ha), Río Esva (192 ha), Turbera de Dueñas (26ha), Río Negro (45 ha).

**Total employment in fisheries:** 385

1. **Fishing:** 317
2. **Aquaculture:** 0
3. **Processing:** 68

**Women employment in fisheries:** no data available

## STRATEGY

### Short summary of the FLAG strategy

In line with the challenges identified above, the FLAG aims to support projects that **stimulate the economic activity of the existing fisheries sector**. In parallel, the FLAG will support initiatives that can lead to additional revenue for fisheries families. These activities can vary from **adding value to local fisheries products to the diversification of economic activities**.

All these actions should contribute to increasing employment opportunities in the fisheries, aquaculture, or maritime sectors.

Next to that, the FLAG supports projects that highlight the existing **cultural and natural heritage** linked with both the local **fisheries and maritime activities**. Such promotion of the local identity is important to improve quality of life of the coastal population and attractiveness of the territory.

All supported activities aim to respect **the coastal environment** and fit within or improve the current **environmental management practices**.

### Importance of the following objectives for the FLAG strategy

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	15%
Supporting diversification	5	25%
Enhancing and capitalising on the environmental assets	3	12,5%
Promoting social wellbeing and cultural heritage	3	12,5%
Strengthening the role of fisheries communities in local development	4	15%

### Budget information

Total public budget allocated to the FLAG for 2014-2020: € 1.485.893,00

EMFF: € 1.263.009,05

Member State co-financing: € 222.883,95 €

**Source of co-financing?** Regional

**Multi-funding:** no

### Project examples and ideas

- Broadening the existing label "Pescado de pincho" for products caught by longline, a highly selective fishing technique
- Support for fisherwomen to set up their own business in tourist accommodation
- Renovation of and education on the cultural heritage around the port of Luarca

The approved projects are published here (in Spanish): <http://www.es-entrecabos.com/pages/index/proyectos-femp-financiados>

## Calls for projects

The first call has been organised at the end of 2016. There will be at least one call for proposal each year.

<http://www.ese-entrecabos.com/pages/index/tramitacion-de-ayudas-valle-del-ese-entrecabos>

## Thematic expertise and cooperation

The FLAG has experience in converting fish auctions into restaurants. In addition, the FLAG is willing to share its experiences on **the development of a label** for traditional fisheries.

The FLAG foresees a modest budget for exchanges with regions that face similar challenges and that can showcase good practices as inspiration for achieving its objectives.

Budget envisaged for cooperation: +/- 30.000 €

## PARTNERSHIP

### Lead partner or Responsible Legal Entity

Centro para el desarrollo del Valle del Ese-Entrecabos.

### FLAG members

The FLAG has 19 members:

5 local public authorities of which 3 belonging to the LEADER/LAG area;

6 representatives of the agricultural sector;

1 fishermen's association (cofradías);

4 social entities: socio-cultural associations, women and young people;

1 business associations representing SME and independent;

1 tourism organisation;

1 environmental organisation.

**Number of individuals on main decision-making body/ board: 7**

**% of public actors** (on the decision-making body): 28,6

**Number of individuals/organisations in partnership/ general assembly: 19**

**% of fisheries actors** (in the partnership): 5 %

**% of environmental actors** (in the partnership): 5 %

**% of other private / NGO sector actors** (in the partnership): 73 %

**Number of contracted staff in FLAG [FTE]: 4**

### Links with LEADER or other CLLD groups:

Both municipalities in the FLAG are also included in the LEADER LAG “Valle del Ese-Entrecabos”. However, this area also includes three other municipalities (Allande, Salas and Tineo). The legal structure for both groups is the same. Each group made thier own strategies but the documents where extensively coordinated during the development project.

Consequently, the partnership is the same for both groups. As for the board, the FLAG has seven board members of which four are also member of the LAG.

### Contact information

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### Language information

Native language: Spanish

Language	Basic level	Intermediate level	Good level
English	x		
French	x		