

# Cooperative processing plant



## SCIC Arrainetik: “from ocean to plate”

**A French Axis 4 study led to a €700 000 investment to set up a cooperative processing plant in the fishing port of St Jean de Luz / Ciboure. The plant is now supplying school canteens with previously underused local fish species.**

The FLAG involved a range of public and private stakeholders in a feasibility study to process (fillet & freeze) and market the area’s fisheries products, in particular those landed in Bayonne. The study involved producers, processors, collective caterers and public bodies in this analysis and helped develop an action plan to connect the offer of local fisheries products with new local markets.

The results of the study led to investments to set up a cooperative processing centre supplying school, hospital and other canteens in the area with local fish fillets. The local producer organisation, fishing committee and federation of municipalities all invested in the cooperative, along with private sector stakeholders.

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#### RESULTS (AFTER 3 YEARS):

- > A thorough study on the supply and processing of local fish
- > A €700 000 cooperative processing plant launched
- > 5 jobs (FTEs) created
- > An expected 100 tonnes of fish fillets processed in year 1; 130 tonnes for year 2.

#### SUCCESS FACTORS:

- > Getting fisheries and non-fisheries stakeholders to work together with the private sector and elected public figures.

#### TOTAL COST (FEASIBILITY STUDY): €72 000

- > EFF Axis 4: €12 240
- > National co-financing: €6 120
- > Region & Province: €8 000
- > Project promoter (private investment): €45 640

Physical investment: € 434 000

Partner finance: € 700 000

Social capital: € 100 000

#### Project promoter

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