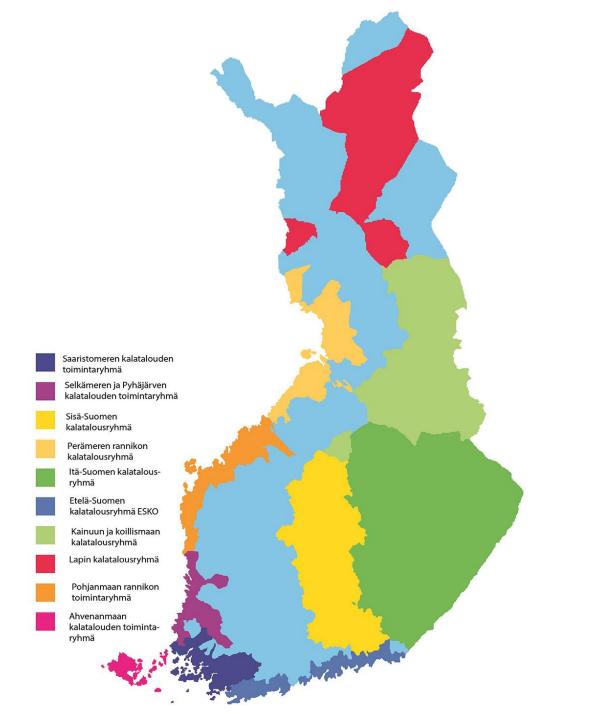


FLAG selection criteria 2021-2027

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Preparation of selection criteria

- MA prepared draft guidance for FLAG applicants, which listed the minimun requirements for a FLAG, the mandatory elements of the strategy and preliminary qualitative criteria.
- Draft list of qualitative criteria were based on 2014–2020 selection criteria and on findings of evaluation on FLAGs done in 2020.
- Purpose of the criteria is that the quality of strategies could be evaluated and applicants can be prioritised in a transparent manner.



- Padlet-tool for online commenting.
- Padlet was open for few weeks.
 After that we had an online meeting, discussing the criteria and comments.
- Participants from all current FLAGs, also from one new area and some national CLLD experts.





Draft list of qualitative selection criteria

- The strategy responds to local needs and benefits local strengths
- Clarity and logic of the strategy
- Strategy's ability to promote networking and cooperation with other regional actors
- Innovativeness of the strategy
- The strategy supports the objectives of the Governments programme for fisheries development and the national operational programme 2021-2027
- The strategy leverages from other sources of funding
- Estimated effectiveness of the strategy
- Quality of the communication plan
- The region's municipalities or counties' financial commitment to the activities.

Some thoughts about the qualitative criterias



Are there any new innovative ideas for third period?

Strategies should be enabling but also realistic!

➤ Should SDG, climate change and env. objectives be included?

➤ Evaluation of effectivenes is difficult but important.

> FLAGs funding is limited, what can be financed by own budget and where other financing sources can be utilized?



What's next?

- The selection committee validates and adopts the selection criteria.
- The selection committee will be united with LAG and it will be set up as soon as CPR is accepted.