

FARNET TRANSNATIONAL SEMINAR FOR FLAGS Bantry (Ireland), 2-4 April 2019

Smart coastal areas: Resourcefulness and innovation in FLAG communities



Agenda

Day 1: Tuesday, 2 April 2019 (Maritime Hotel)	
from 17.30	Registration
19.00	<i>Warm-up activity & networking dinner</i>
Day 2: Wednesday, 3 April 2019 (Westlodge Hotel)	
08.30 – 09.00	<i>Registration</i>
09.00 – 09.45	“Welcome to the smart space” – interactive introduction to the event by the FARNET Support Unit
09.45 – 10.30	Walls of ideas – grab a coffee and show what you have! <i>Participants showcase their “smart initiatives” in a poster session.</i>
10.30 – 11.15	Official speeches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Department for Agriculture Food & Marine, Rep. of Ireland</i> • <i>Bord Iascaigh Mhara (BIM) - Ireland’s Seafood Development Agency</i> • <i>European Commission, DG MARE, Unit A2</i> • <i>Hosting FLAG, FLAG South</i>
11.15 – 11.30	“Choose your challenge”: introduction to the world café <i>FSU introduces the four challenges below and encourages participants to propose additional challenges:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i><u>Effects of climate change</u> (global warming, sea level rising, increasing extreme weather, etc.): how to ensure sustainable development of coastal communities</i> • <i><u>Depopulation trend and exodus of services</u>: how to attract new talent, increase employment and revitalise the socio-economic tissue (innovative businesses, co-working spaces, remote working, community initiatives etc.)</i> • <i><u>The digital divide</u>: how to ensure that technological innovation and digitalisation are harnessed by fisheries communities for a smart blue future instead of getting left behind.</i> • <i>“The ‘no more funding’ scenario” (Imagine that there is no more support from the EMFF/CLLD): how to support sustainable local development besides or without the EMFF support? New, smart funding solutions.</i>
11.30 – 13.00	World café: “Think globally, act locally” <i>World café session where challenges are discussed in the context of the 4 seminar sub-themes (Smart partnerships, Smart resource use, Smart financing, Smart services)</i>

13.00 – 14.30	Lunch <i>Participants finalise registration for the “Smart development hubs” which take place next morning</i>
14.30 – 16.00	Meet the experts (rounds 1 & 2) <i>Contrast your solutions with those of other FLAGs with the guidance of a seasoned expert:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smart partnerships (e.g. creating win-win situations between different interest groups): Val Cummins, University College Cork • Smart resource use (e.g. optimising local resources and production systems): Vilhjálmur Jens Árnason, Iceland Ocean Cluster • Smart financing (e.g. reaching small-scale beneficiaries: micro-credit, crowdfunding...): Tony O'Rourke, former Professor of Banking & Finance • Smart services (e.g. adapting services to ensure their viability: smart harbours, connecting remote areas...): Suzanne Kearney, South East Cork Development (SECAD)
16.00 – 16.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.30 – 18.00	Meet the experts (rounds 3 & 4)
19.30	<i>Dinner in Eccles Hotel in Glengarriff, courtesy of Bord Iascaigh Mhara (BIM)</i>
Day 3: Thursday, 4 April 2019 (Westlodge Hotel)	
08.30 – 09.00	<i>Registration</i>
09.00 – 09.30	Testing good smart ideas <i>Presentation of the winning “smart ideas/initiatives” and reaction from the experts</i>
09.30 – 11.15	Meet the practitioners: Smart development hubs <i>A series of discussion hubs in which smart initiatives will be presented and discussed in small groups</i>
11.15 – 12.30	Knowledge exchange, networking and cooperation time
12.30 – 13.00	Closing session
13.00 – 18.00	Field trip to visit FLAG projects and other smart initiatives near Bantry