

COOPERATION IDEA

Fisheries Local Action Groups

Learning from fisher-led, marine plastic litter reduction initiatives

The Hastings FLAG is looking for experience, cases, solutions and actions taken to reduce marine litter in other parts of Europe and, in particular, in the Channel area and North Sea. We are a small-scale fishery within a deprived area. The area we cover is also very small so it would be good to hear from FLAGs who have a similar profile or from those who are larger and could bring leverage or links to larger-scale projects.

Objectives:

- **Learning** from other areas and fisheries communities on initiatives to reduce and collect plastic marine litter
- **adapting solutions:** transferring good practices to develop actions around marine litter reduction, building on the momentum of public opinion and following the priorities promoted by the European Commission.
- **Raising awareness** and potentially working with children
- Fostering **circular economy** and exploring what plastics can be used for once collected.

Proposed actions: Welcoming other fishers and project promoters; organising a training workshop; sharing best practice.

Desired results: Transfer of practice and initiating a project at local level with Hasting fishers.

Thematic category: Marine litter, Education and training, Integrated coastal management

Looking for partner located

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