



First “Vistula Lagoon” Stakeholder Working Group meeting

Overview	
Date	05.02.2020
Location	Nowy Dwór Gdański
Aim of the event	Forming the Stakeholders Working Group (SWG) on the circular bioeconomy development strategy in the Vistula Lagoon Region

Short summary

The meeting was organised by the Fishery Local Action Group (FLAG) “Brać Mierzei” in partnership with the FLAG “Zalew Wiślany”, with the coordination of the National Marine Fisheries Research Institute (NMFRI). This meeting was preceded by a series of individual meetings between NMFRI employees to coordinate this Open Innovation Platform (OIP) with stakeholders. Representatives from both FLAG areas were invited to participate in the first SWG meeting. In addition, two members of FLAG “Zalew Wiślany” and three members of FLAG “Brać Mierzei” decided to actively work in the SWG “Zalew Wiślany”. The SWG will work as a common working group for both FLAGs.

The NMFRI prepared the agenda of this meeting and served a coordination role. Since not all the SWG members present at the meeting participated in the information meeting in May 2019, the project assumptions and SWG tasks were briefly recalled, then the tasks for the next six months were discussed.

Following the agenda, it was firstly discussed which seminars will be organised in the OIP and in which events it is planned to actively promote the BE-Rural project. Then, the discussion focused on the organisation of the webinar planned in March, whose main topics would be the presentation of the regions, as well as interactive and mutual learning between participants. Information was provided as to the participation and registration of teachers in the Summer School in Glasgow. Information on reports expected from this Summer School project upon return of the teachers to Poland was also shared. SWG partners informed NMFRI partners and the other meeting participants about the progress made in spreading information on this Summer School, and about the teachers showing willingness to participate.

SWG membership has been informed about the mid-term workshop in Cluj, Romania, and they have been asked to appoint a delegate for this event. There was as well a discussion on the pop-up store and seminar planned in Świnoujście at the beginning of July. It is planned that at least one member of the SWG, accompanied by interested stakeholders from the region, will participate in this event.

The next discussions moved to the forms of technological options possible to introduce in the region. Brief screening of technologies was provided by the project partner. Although these were considered by meeting participants as very interesting, they were judged as not really matching the ground reality in view of the relatively small amount of resources from the local fishery. Stakeholders from the business sector paid attention on the real possibilities of using such technology in profitable manners. All participants agreed that the strategy should be more focused on the promotion of low value fish species as local healthy food, and the technological options should make use of the forgotten traditional consumption patterns of these fish species.



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Participants

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