



## Co-operation agreement for **Water Tourism Development** LEADER Transnational cooperation project

### Co-operation partners

Country	Name of the LAG	Status	Presented by	Address, Telephone, email	Applicant of the project	Implementing partner
Northern Ireland	Causeway Coast and Glens LAG	Company Limited by Guarantee	Nigel McFadden	66 Portstewart Road, Coleraine. Co. L'Derry. N Ireland BT52 1EY	Causeway Coast and Glens LAG Contact : William King	Causeway Coast and Glens LAG Contact : William King
Northern Ireland	Derry and Strabane	Company Limited by Guarantee	Linda White	98 Strand Road, Londonderry N.Ireland BT48 7NN	Derry & Strabane LAG Contact:	Derry & Strabane LAG Contact:
Republic of Ireland	Donegal LCDC - IDP - DLDC.	Company Limited by Guarantee	Andrew Ward /Frank Kelly	Pound St, Carndonagh, Co Donegal.	IDP/DLDC/ Donegal LCDC	IDP/LCDC
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Latvia	Association „Community Partnership of Rezekne Region”	NGO	Kristine Senkane	95A Atbrivosanas aleja, Rezekne, Latvia, LV-4601	Partnership for rural and sea, Contact Ilze Turka, ilze.turka@p lj.lv	„Community Partnership of Rezekne Region”. Contact Kristine Senkane kristine.senkane@rezeknespartneriba.lv
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#### Lead co-operation partner

Northern Ireland	Causeway Coast and Glens LAG	Company Limited by Guarantee	Nigel McFadden	66 Portstewart Road, Coleraine. Co. L'Derry. N Ireland T52 1EY	Causeway Coast and Glens LAG Contact person: William King	Causeway Coast and Glens LAG Contact person: William King

This agreement has been finalised under Leader Program Guidance

#### Article 1

Objective of the TNC project

*The organisations detailed in above have expressed the common commitment to implement the project **Water Tourism Development** based on the schedule presented in this agreement.*

*The main objectives for the project are: best practices are shared and preparations made for making rivers and lakes more attractive and accessible as means of increasing water-based activities in rural areas within the participating regions.*

## **Article 2**

### Working languages

*English, as agreed by the cooperation project partners.*

## **Article 3**

### Project duration and locations

- *Duration of the project: 01.03.2019 - 31.08.2021.*
- *The locations where the project activities will be held are listed in below under description of Joint Actions.*
- *This agreement comes into force once all cooperation partners have signed the agreement.*

## **Article 4**

### Obligations, responsibilities, liability

*All project partners verify and approve the information contained in this agreement.*

*The obligations and responsibilities of the lead/coordinating partner:*

- *coordination of joint actions within the project, monitoring and follow-up activities, continuous communication and liaising with project partners, reporting to commission,*
- *nationally reporting is carried out by each partner in their own country and area.*

*The cooperating partners have obligations and responsibilities:*

- *using the commonly agreed project activity schedule and objectives in their respective project applications to the relevant LAG/Managing Authority in their territories,*
- *ensuring the funding for their share of the common costs of the project and respective – joint and local - actions,*
- *reporting to the project partners and lead/co-ordinating partner,*
- *communication and liaising with project partners and the lead/co-ordinating partner.*

*Cooperation partners have limited liability in case of force majeure. Partners have limited liability due to any damages and costs resulting from the non-compliance of any of the cooperation partners.*

## **Article 5**

### Changes in the partnership

- *Changes of the dates of the joint actions can be made in skype meetings or in mutual e-mail correspondence agreed by all of the cooperation partners and confirmed by the Lead partner in writing.*
- *Changes in the partnership can be facilitated by written amendment agreed and signed by all of the cooperation partners. Partners individually bear the responsibility for informing the Lead Partner about any circumstances that affect their ability to execute their partnership in this Project.*
- *Two main scenarios exist: extending the partnership – new cooperation partner(s) enter(s), one (or more) cooperation partner(s) leave(s) the partnership.*

- *Modification of the budget is done if necessary – especially relating to common costs and its division among partners – part of the modification both in case of 'extending' the partnership and in case of any of the partners leaving the partnership.*
- *Every partner is responsible for their own costs since the moment of their project approval. Each partner has an obligation to notify relevant authorities of the change(s).*

#### **Article 6**

##### Project management

- *Project management committee (steering committee) will consist of at least one nominated representative from each participating region.*
- *Secretariat of the project management committee will be provided by the hosting partner.*
- *Annual meetings of the Steering Committee will be normally held during common events. Hosting costs do not cover travel to the Partner country and accommodation - each visiting partner must pay for these costs themselves.*

#### **Article 7**

##### Dispute resolution, applicable law

- *First and preferred means of dispute resolution is by amicable settlement.*
- *In case of failure of amicable agreement, the applicable jurisdiction is the region of the lead partner.*
- *For purposes of dispute resolution at court the English version of the text of this agreement and its annexes is applicable.*

#### **Article 8**

##### Amendment of the agreement

- *All amendments to this agreement should be in writing, initiated by the Lead Partner or by other potential or actual Partners as necessary, and agreed by all cooperation partners in the Steering Committee.*
- *Each partner has an obligation to inform relevant authorities in due course.*

### **Joint Actions**

#### **Schedule of activities**

- I. *Cross marketing actions according to each partners preferences:
 
  - a. *Implemented by all Partners on a regular basis during all Project implementation period and after it, if possible;**
- II. *Defining shared values and using knowledge transfer from one country to another:
 
  - a. *Implemented by all Partners on a regular basis via meetings, study trips, regular communication, experience exchange during all Project implementation period and after it, if possible.**
- III. *Testing and sharing the project results created in partner countries during study visits (up to 5 representatives per LAG and up to 15 people from Estonia). Travel to the Partner country and accommodation costs are to be borne by the visiting Partner. Hosting Partner covers necessary reception costs (transportation, seminar room rent, moderator, tour guide, catering, etc):
 
  - a. *Northern Ireland - spring 2020;*
  - b. *Ireland - spring 2020;*
  - c. *Latvia - summer/autumn 2020;*
  - d. *Estonia - summer/autumn 2020.**
- IV. *Steering Committee meetings:*