



# Added Value of Networking

## Success Story

Success Story title *LAGs in cooperation with the Wadden Sea National Park*

Theme *Network communications; Knowledge exchange; Cooperation*

NRN *Denmark* Coordinator *Wadden Sea LAG Network (4 LAGs+1 FLAG)*

Partners *LAGs and FLAGs of Wadden Sea area*

Period *From 2011*

Geo-location *Wadden Sea area*

Beneficiaries *LAGs and FLAG boards and representatives and National Park Council*

### Background

In 2010 the Wadden Sea National Park was established. The FLAG and LAGs in the same area had already their own network focusing on local food products. The chairman of the board of the National Park was invited to the (F)LAGs' network meeting in order to inform about the new Wadden Sea National Park and future projects. The outcome of the meeting was an invitation to the network to be member of the National Park Council. The network has selected two board members to take part in the council.

### Main activities

The Wadden Sea LAG network is now involved in the preparation of the National Park Plan and could take part in future projects with the National Park.

### Main results/benefits

The result of the cooperation in the short term is at organizational level. In the long term the LAG network expects more tourism projects in the area and partnership projects with the National Park.





#### Contribution of the NSU

The NSU was not involved in the specific activities leading to the cooperation between the LAG network and the Wadden Sea National Park. However the regional LAG and FLAG cooperation is a result of strong network between LAGs and FLAGS which has been strongly facilitated by the NS/National Network Unit.

#### Contribution of the partners

Network and cooperation. In the future the (F)LAG's expect to be part of projects within the framework of the National Park Plan.

#### Success factors

- Strong participation of local stakeholders in the Wadden Sea National Park implementation.
- New partnerships and projects i.e. tourism projects in the Wadden sea area.

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