



Integrated Local Development Company for the Offshore Islands of Ireland



Cohesion Process

- Streamline delivery of local and community development programmes nationally
- Company structure and Board membership must comply with guidelines from Department



Board Structure

- 4 Local Councillors
- 1 Representative of County Managers
- 6 representatives of State Agencies
- 8 Community & Voluntary representatives
- 5 Social Partners



Area of Responsibility



Population 2858

**Islands with
populations from a
couple of
individuals to
approx 840**

**Majority of
islanders live in
Gaeltacht (Irish
Speaking) islands**

**Majority of islands
outside of
Gaeltacht areas**

Comhdháil Oileáin na hÉireann

- Representative organisation
- No longer receives funding
- Cohesion process nationally
- Islanders work on voluntary basis



Comhar na nOileán Teo.

- Rural Development Programme
- Local & Community Development Programme
- Rural Social Scheme
- Equality for Women Programme
- Walks scheme





Rural Development Programme (LEADER)

2007 - 2013

Strategy

Strengthen island communities

Build economic performance

Enhance the island environment

Promote island heritage and culture



Targets

Sustain island populations

Increase employment/self employment

Increase tourism enterprises/Upgrade
tourist accommodation

Improve broadband capability and
establish video conferencing facilities

Support training and education for
employment



RDP Allocation and area

Total Projects budget € 3 million
(approx.)

Area covered from Oileán Thoraí in
Donegal to Oileán Chléire in Cork

33 member islands



Implementing Co-operation projects

- **Support for audits, surveys and pilot projects with similar groups in other EU Countries**
- **Transnational project agreed with Småøernes Aktionsgruppe – project will assist Energy Action Groups on 6 islands to develop plans for their islands**



Local & Community Development Programme

Actions which address Social Exclusion



Funding small in 2010

Rural Social Scheme



- Scheme provides income assistance to eligible farmers and fishermen
- 19.5 hours work in the community per week
- Island scheme with 20 participants around the islands
- Supervised by Co-ops and CDPs

Equality for Women Measure

- Support for Women to overcome barriers to accessing opportunity
- Funding very small until economic situation improves



Walks Scheme

Provides support for farmers to maintain approved looped walks and Way Marked Ways



Two island walks in scheme

Administration of farmers payments



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Tak!
Go raibh maith agaibh!

