

Sustainability of life on a small island



InisLyre Slipway

FLAG investment in reinstating a slipway has helped enable the owner to remain on his Irish island base in Clew Bay and make his way of life more sustainable for him and his family.

Bringing the slipway back to use on the 3 inhabitants island of Inislyre has provided additional capacity in a remote area. The nearest alternative slipway at Rosmoney had a capacity limited to only one vessel and so could easily become overcrowded. The reinstatement of the privately owned slipway in this project allows it to be hired out to up to 3 vessels at a time. Boat owners can use the facility to carry out vessel hull surveys, maintenance and repairs. This avoids both commercial and marine leisure vessels travelling long distances to find alternatives of similar quality and has allowed new economic activities to be developed.

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RESULTS (AFTER 12 MONTHS):

- > 1 full-time job maintained
- > 3 new services developed – repairs, repainting and hull cleaning
- > 6 vessels used the service developed in 2014
- > Additional revenue of €4950 has been generated as a result of the project in first full operational year

SUCCESS FACTORS:

- > Building a relationship with Marine surveyors
- > Use of social media to let potential users know of service provided
- > Having a stand at local (skipper EXPO) marine shows

TOTAL PROJECT COST: €7 586

- > EFF Axis 4: €1 517
- > National / Regional co-financing: €1 517
- > Other/ Private: €4 552

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