

CENTRE FOR FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE TO DEVELOP COOPERATION IN ORDER TO HARMONISE DATA FOR COMMON PROTOCOLS AND TO INTEGRATE THE RESULTS

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CENTRE FOR FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE IN ROVINJ, ISTRIA

1. The renovation works of the Rovinj Centre for Fisheries and Aquaculture.

ARGOS experimental centre, act as cross-border platform for mutual cooperation and bridge the gaps existing in aquaculture and fisheries sectors in the two Adriatic sides, granting equal opportunities in training and sharing knowledges.

Istria Region centre will become an Adriatic reference point for small-scale fishery common sustainable procedures, following the work protocols of the joint program and thematic data processing updated in accordance with the development of fishing regulations and the protection of Adriatic biodiversity. Scientists and officers working conditions will be improved. The dedicated equipment will lead to a better and more competitive achievements in the fields of fisheries and aquaculture sustainable management. Istria Region owns 100% of the infrastructure.

The building in Rovinj will serve as Centre for Fisheries and Aquaculture in the Istrian Region.

It will be a necessary location for training and disseminating of project results, output and deliverables.

Fisheries and aquaculture operators, local, regional and national decision makers, scientists and students from all Adriatic Sea areas, will have benefit from the centre. Istria Region owns 100% of the infrastructure and will take care of its maintenance after the project duration with its own financial resources.

The fishing and aquaculture sector has a need for the exchange of good practices, information, for acquisition of new knowledge and skills, and we believe that we can achieve this precisely through such an institution as the Centre for fisheries and aquaculture development of Istria Region.



Works in progress

2. Targets of the establishment of the Rovinj Centre for Fisheries and Aquaculture.

Targets of the Center will be:

- fishermen and fishing associations;
- breeders of shellfish and other marine organisms;
- scientific research institutions, faculties (professors and students), Institutes;
- Ministry of Agriculture - Directorate of Fisheries;
- Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure;
- Institute for Environmental and Nature Protection;
- units of local self-government (cities and municipalities);
- non-governmental organizations dealing with nature and environment protection.

3. Conclusions.

After the end of Project ARGOS, Center will provide the necessary financial resources through:

- Istria region as the founder of the Center;
- interested cities and municipalities;
- independent candidacy of programs and project on the Program for Fisheries and Aquaculture of the Republic of Croatia 2021-2027;
- participation in cross-border cooperation programs as well as other funds

4. Pictures





The Centre renovated



Inauguration speech of the renovated centre (May 2023)