

Contacted Projects

1.

Category: **Rural Industry / High-tech business**

Name of the project: me.chanic Innovative Feinmechanik und Fertigungstechnik GmbH

In the small village of Gnesau, Corinthia / Austria a farmer's son is running a high-tech company with 25 full-time employees. They are producing machine tools for the wafer production of Siemens, Philips, and other well-known companies.

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2.

Category: **Marketing of regional products**

Name of the project: SCHEUNENHOF SUNDHAUSEN - Innovation Center for Rural Development

An old barn was converted to an innovative center and several small companies were established. The place is a market for regional farm products (meat, milk products, vegetables, fruits, juice...), country fairs and eco tourism and provides new employment opportunities.

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3.

Category: **Information Technologies (IT) 3**

Title of the Project: Regio-Tech, Call Center West

Regio Tech wants to establish new business in the region. The main activity is a call center to provide services like computer courses for house wife and create new employment opportunities especially for women.

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4.

Category: **Information Technologies (IT)**

Name of the project: A skills' register as a marketing tool for teleworking

One of the most successful telecenters was established in the remote Isle of Lewis (Scotland) based on the idea of "life local- work global". Highly qualified people find new jobs in very remote areas through modern information technologies.

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5.

Category: **Small Rural Enterprises**

Title of the Project: Sunflower Farm – Ecological Technology Center

The center wants to discover new technologies and alternative energies for improving the life in rural areas. The company promotes ecological technology solutions in Poland.

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6.

Category: **Rural Women / Gender Issues**

Title of the Project: AURORA– New employment opportunities for woman in rural areas

The women association AURORA has cooperation with other European countries and supports women in rural areas to find new jobs and create their own businesses.

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7.

Category: **Youth / New Employment**

Title of the Project: KEHYPAJA-Youth Aid

The goal of the initiative is to provide employment for the unemployed youth and help them improve their living conditions in rural areas in Finland.

Country: Finland

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Provisional projects

The following preliminary list includes rural development projects, which we will contact in the next few weeks. Depending on these contacts we might include them in our list of case studies.

TOURISM

Category: Tourism

Name of the project: Combining agriculture, catering and tourism: 'Natur und Leben Bregenzerwald' and ÖkoDorf Bregenzerwald

Location: Austria (Vorarlberg)

Category: Tourism

Title of the Project: The Levasjoki heritage and countryside tourism village

Country: Finland

Category: Organic Farming/ Tourism

Name of the project: Holiday on organic farms in Poland

Location: Poland

RENEWABLE ENERGIES

Category: Renewable Energies

Name of the project: Wind Power as an Agricultural Energy Source and Pitch Wind

Location: Sweden (Svenska Landsbygdsområden)

Category: Renewable Energies (Biomass)

Title of the Project: Heizwerk Lech

Country: Austria

CULTURAL HERITAGE

Category: Cultural Heritage
Name of the project: The Levasjoki heritage and countryside tourism village
Location: Finland (Suomen Maaseutualueet)

Category: Culture Heritage
Title of the Project: Cultural heritage Lauwersland
Country: Netherlands

Category: Culture Heritage
Title of the Project: Land of History and Legend
Country: UK

ORGANIC FARMING

Category: Organic Farming
Title of the Project: Ökomarkt in Vachdorf
Country: Germany

Category: Organic Farming
Title of the Project: Dåkrone Agripark - See what you eat
Country: Denmark

Category: Renewable Energies
Title of the Project: Utilisation of renewable energies in isolated rural environments: the 'sun route' leads to the local Energy Agency
Country: Spain

SMALL BUSINESS/NEW EMPLOYMENT

Category: New Employment/Small and Media Businesses
Name of the project: Serranía de Ronda LEADER: mobilising and structuring local society
Location: Spain (Andalucia)

Category: Small Enterprises
Title of the Project: LEANOVA - innovation in small rural enterprises
Country: Netherlands

Category: Small Enterprises
Title of the Project: Worm Breeding Enterprise - Vermiculture
Country: Ireland

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Category: Environmental Protection
Title of the Project: Agroal: collective participation in the exploitation of a protected natural site
Country: Portugal

Category: Environmental Protection 1
Title of the Project: Hörfeldmoor
Country: Austria

IT

Category: Information Technologies (IT)
Title of the Project: Tool it: Cooperation using IT as a Tool
Country: Sweden

Category: Information Technologies
Title of the Project: Telecentro demostrativo de nuevas tecnologías
Country: Spain

YOUTH

Category: Youth
Title of the Project: Search and learn
Country: Sweden