

## Partner search from Finland

**Applicant: Vihtijärvi Village in Southern Finland associated to LAG Ykkösaseli**

**1/ Working name for the project: “A Self-sufficient Village” - VITAL**

### Main Ideology

Go towards self-sufficiency at village level. Benchmark, learn and transfer village-level solutions

### Vision

- A model village in self-sufficiency.

### Objectives

Find and put into practice village-level solutions for **village development (especially land and landscape planning) and local economy**, but also services, quality of life and culture. Look where You can do in cooperation with authorities, where on Your own. The project should also include concrete activities aiming at the goal of self-sufficiency. We are looking for partners that already have some or more - preferably sustainable - results in getting more autonomous from public services (social, medical, mail...), outside energy providers or outside entrepreneurship. Preference is given to villages or communities willing to go further in the process. Partners will learn from each others experiences, know-how and practises through study tours and working groups.

### Suggested activities

- Cooperation between partners to find creative solutions – also in public-private partnerships
- Exchange knowhow
- Study visits in selected villages and seminar
- Provide material on solutions and good practices in different countries

→ **Approximate budget for the transnational part in Finland 15-20 000 €**

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If You are interested in to start ”VITAL” transnational cooperation with Finland, please contact us. We would like to have 2-3 LEADER group partners having varying examples in village autonomy and self-sufficiency (see objectives)

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