



STATISTIC DATA

Surface Area in km²: 2470

Total Population: 39 300

Inhabitants/km²: 16

Number of Municipalities: 17

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ESTONIA



CHARACTER OF THE REGION

located between the two biggest Estonian lakes - Lake Võrtsjärv and Lake Peipus (4th in Europe)

territory is passed through by the longest highway in Estonia and Tallinn-Valga railroad

Estonian only navigable river is in the region - 100 km long Suur-Emajõgi

unique Lake Peipus area differs culturally from the rest of Estonia - the area has been influenced by the communities of Old Believers

MAJOR PROJECTS

Onion Road - network on 21 tourism service providers in the Lake Peipus region, which goal is to introduce the mystical and multicultural region

Delicious South Estonia - cooperation network of South Estonian Leader LAGs and local food producers (creates opportunities for the exchange of knowledge and experiences between entrepreneurs, promotes cooperation and values rural life)

OBJECTIVES OF THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIE

The strategy of Tartu Rural Development Association is characterised by a value-oriented and human-centred approach

The primary values of Tartu Rural Development Association are:

repreneurship consideration innovation cooperation

Three strategic target groups:

entrepreneurs communities young people

The strategy aims to:

promote the economic sustainability and competitiveness of micro and small enterprises

create conditions favourable to leadership and initiative among young people

increase the capabilities of local communities to influence and shape their own living environments



IDEAS FOR TRANSNATIONAL COOPERATION

LINC - organizing LINC 2012 conference together with National Network Unit

cooperation with Leader Oost-Groningen (Holland) - organizing Holland week in Estonia (April 2011) and Estonian week in Holland (October 2011)

Ideas: local products, youth (young innovators, future school)