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LOCAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT **IN FLAG GALATI**

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Abstract. Any local development strategy needs to contribute to the objectives set at a county regional/national level, while promoting the development based on partnership and local knowhow, thus placing the community as the promoter of development. The vision, objectives and priorities of FLAG Galati converged synergistically towards the European and national sectorial policies, while being born from the local information and needs. This ensures the sustainable development of the micro region.

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1. Introduction

Between 1995 and 2005, Romania's fishery production suffered a sharp decline, from 18,675 tons in 1998 to 13,352 tons in 2005. In 2005, the obtained fish production a presented the following structure: aquaculture 7.284 tones (54.55%), fishing in inland waters 4,042 tons (30.27%), Black Sea fishing 2026 tons (15.17%). The reasons behind this decline in fish production, both in freshwater and in marine waters, were represented by the new conditions typical to a transition period from the centralized economy to the market economy (low investment in this sector) and the instability of the institutional and legal framework especially in land ownership [1-13].

In 2005, the total number of employees in the sector was 6,811, out of which 633 (9.29%) were involved in the fishing activity, 2,531 (37.16%) persons in the inland fishing activity, 2,781 (40.83%) persons in the activity of aquaculture and 866 (12.71%) people in the processing activity.

In this context, Romania designed the Operational Program for Fisheries for the period 2007-2013.

2. Operational Program for Fisheries for the period 2007-2013

The Romanian Operational Program for Fisheries for the period 2007-2013 has been developed by the National Agency for Fisheries and Aquaculture in accordance with Article 17 (3) of the Council Regulation (EC) no. 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006 on the European Fisheries Fund, following a process of consultation

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