

Success Stories from the Atlantic



SOPROMAR Valuing traditional shipbuilding heritage through modern nautical installations



 Promote entrepreneurship and innovation	 Improve accessibility and connectivity	 Create a socially inclusive and sustainable model of regional development
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In 2012, Sopromar, a family-owned business next to the Lagos Marina complex in Algarve, Portugal, decided to completely revamp its facilities and services after 30 years of existence and experience in shipbuilding and repair. Evolving from an activity centered on the fisheries sector, the company took the opportunity to diversify its activities towards the recreational sailing sector, to benefit from the growth of coastal and sailing tourism in the Algarve region, but also to address a worldwide demand. After transforming its traditional shipyard into to a modern Nautical Centre in 2014, the company now offers its clients a variety of quality services ranging from ship repair to accommodation, a chandlery and even a restaurant. To achieve this transformation, SOPROMAR benefited from Regional funding of the NSRF 2007-2013, which supported its investment for facilities, equipment, and machinery.

Outcomes of the project

Interact with the project

- The SOPROMAR facilities now employ 50 people,
- A 3 hA shipyard with potential to welcome 150 boats,
- A reference at national level, SOPROMAR was contracted to perform ship maintenance for the Portuguese Maritime Authority.

Website



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