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FACTS AND FIGURES

0.048 million inhabitants (EU28: 513 million)

1 organisation successful in MSCA so far

The 5 most successful organisations in Horizon 2020 (until June 2019)

H2020 in terms of funds

- SP/F SYNTESA
- SPF OCEAN RAINFOREST
- HAVSTOVAN
- JARDFEINGI
- SPF TOKNI

Hiddenfjord Aquaculture station at Tindhólmur by Ólavur Frederiksen
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Look for job opportunities and find out practical issues about Faroe Islands with EURAXESS:
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NATIONAL MEASURES AND EXCELLENT ORGANISATIONS, ATTRACTING RESEARCHERS FROM ABROAD

Over the last 20 years, the R&I sector in the Faroe Islands has strengthened significantly. This is the result of national priorities and international funding opportunities. Researchers may apply for funding from 1) The Research Fund – grants for basic and applied research; 2) The Industrial Innovation Fund – funding for innovation, and 3) The Fisheries R&D Fund – support for applied research and development projects.

The University of the Faroe Islands offers a wide range of educational programmes and attracts international students and staff. The Research Park iNOVA has facilities for researchers from public institutions and private companies.

Faroese researchers and entrepreneurs are successful in obtaining international grants, including Horizon 2020, with the support of the National Contact Point for Research Programmes of the European Union. This is especially in the fields of climate and ocean, where the Faroese Marine Research Institute is participating in European projects like AtlantOS and Blue Action and the private company Syntesa participates in the projects.
▶ Clime-Fish and ▶ Primefish, but also in the area of aquaculture, where the private company Ocean Rainforest participates in the project ▶ MACRO Cascade and in the new project ▶ AquaVitae together with the Aquaculture Research Station of the Faroes. The Faroe Islands are part of the Arctic area and the Faroese Geological Survey participates in the projects ▶ InterAct and ▶ Edu-Artic.

The ocean is the focal research point: its physical and biological resources, environment and climate. The country participates in the Nordic Bioeconomy initiative, a macro-regional project focusing on the sector being developed by the Nordic countries. Another research stronghold is the area of Health. The Faroese population is very small and homogenous. Excellent health services and health records provide unique research opportunities. In recent years, focus has also been on Sustainable Energy R&I.

The Faroe Islands are located in the middle of the Gulf Stream at the gateway to the Arctic between Scotland and Iceland. The total land area is just 1,394 km², while the total marine area is 247,000 km². This makes the Faroe Islands one of the largest ocean nations. The ocean and marine resources are the most important industrial export areas and the most important and interesting research subjects in the Faroe Islands.
The population is 51,237 (November ‘18), which makes the Faroe Islands the smallest country in Horizon 2020. The Faroese society is in most ways a modern and vibrant Nordic society, yet well rooted in local traditions. People in the Faroe Islands live in closer contact with nature than most people in Europe, underlined by the fact that in the Faroe Islands, nowhere is more than 5 km from the ocean. The stunning nature has attracted a lot of visitors lately, who are seeking new and unexplored destinations for business and pleasure.