

FORUM SYNERGIES SCHOLARSHIP

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The main idea of the internship was to acquire organizational, communication skills with local entrepreneurs, the municipality and NGOs, to explore and learn how LAGs work and implement community-led local development. I wanted to know how local action groups, EU projects helping for rural areas to be more interesting for tourists, business, young peoples.

I learned that! How?

I was working in association "Jūras zeme". Chairmen of the Board of association "Jūras zeme" Āris Ādleris teaches me about work in NGOs. Together with him I was working in "Jūras zeme" office, attended seminars about projects. Āris Ādleris showed me projects in Carnikava and Saulkrasti municipality and other villages in Latvia. We had meetings with people and organizations who wanted to write projects and get European support. Latvian Rural forum invited me to be participant in big meeting in Tūja village. There we discussed about this Village problems. LRF started to make Village developing plan. It was really interesting experience for me. We made few projects control visits around Carnikava - it was interesting. Me and my coordinator Āris Ādleris visited lot of villages which is supported by EU projects. Villages are customized for business, tourism and young peoples. I think, that visiting all these places, is very good lessons how to work in local action groups, how to work with projects. Now I have more information and understand better how it is working.

