

Saline Farming

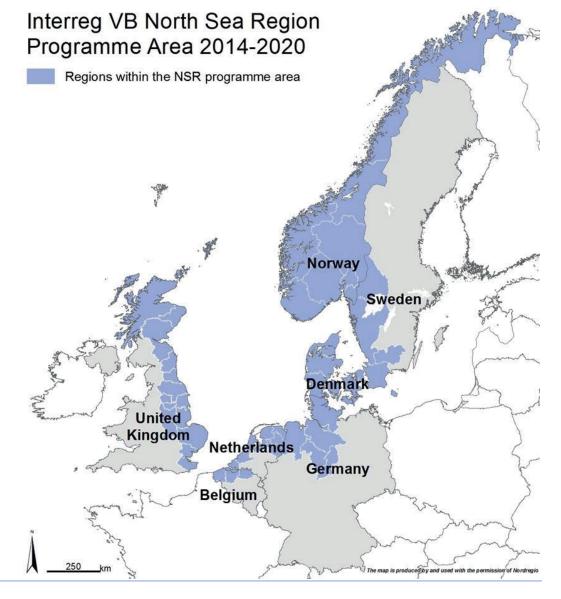




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Innovative agriculture to protect the environment and stimulate economic growth







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- ✓ 13 project partners from 7 countries around the North Sea
- ✓ 6,15 Million Euros
- ✓ Duration of 4,5 years until the end of 2021





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Basic motivation for SalFAR

Currently salinization is currently a relatively minor problem in the North Sea Region, but this will likely become worse over time due to sea level rise and periodic droughts.

- Impact on agriculture and water management
- What can we do about it?







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Objectives

- Mitigation of effect of salinization on agriculture
- > Demonstration of innovative agricultural practices in saline conditions
- Strengthening rural economy by creating new business opportunities
- Collection and analysis of salinization data around the North Sea
- Forecasting and rethinking agricultural policy and water management





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What we are already doing

- Data collecting and policy analysis
- Setting up field labs (a.o. Ökowerk Emden)
 - Regular agricultural crops
 - Halophytes
- Measuring salt tolerance of crop varieties
- Putting salinization on the political agenda
- Awareness raising among farmers and other stakeholders
- Economic analysis of current impact of salinization







What we will also be doing in the near future

- Facilitating broad knowledge exchange
- Forecasting future economic impact
- Developing new saline products
- Creating new business opportunities
- Training and capacity building
- Integrating findings in future policy
- Rethinking agricultural policy and water management







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