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# An applicant comes to the FLAG office...

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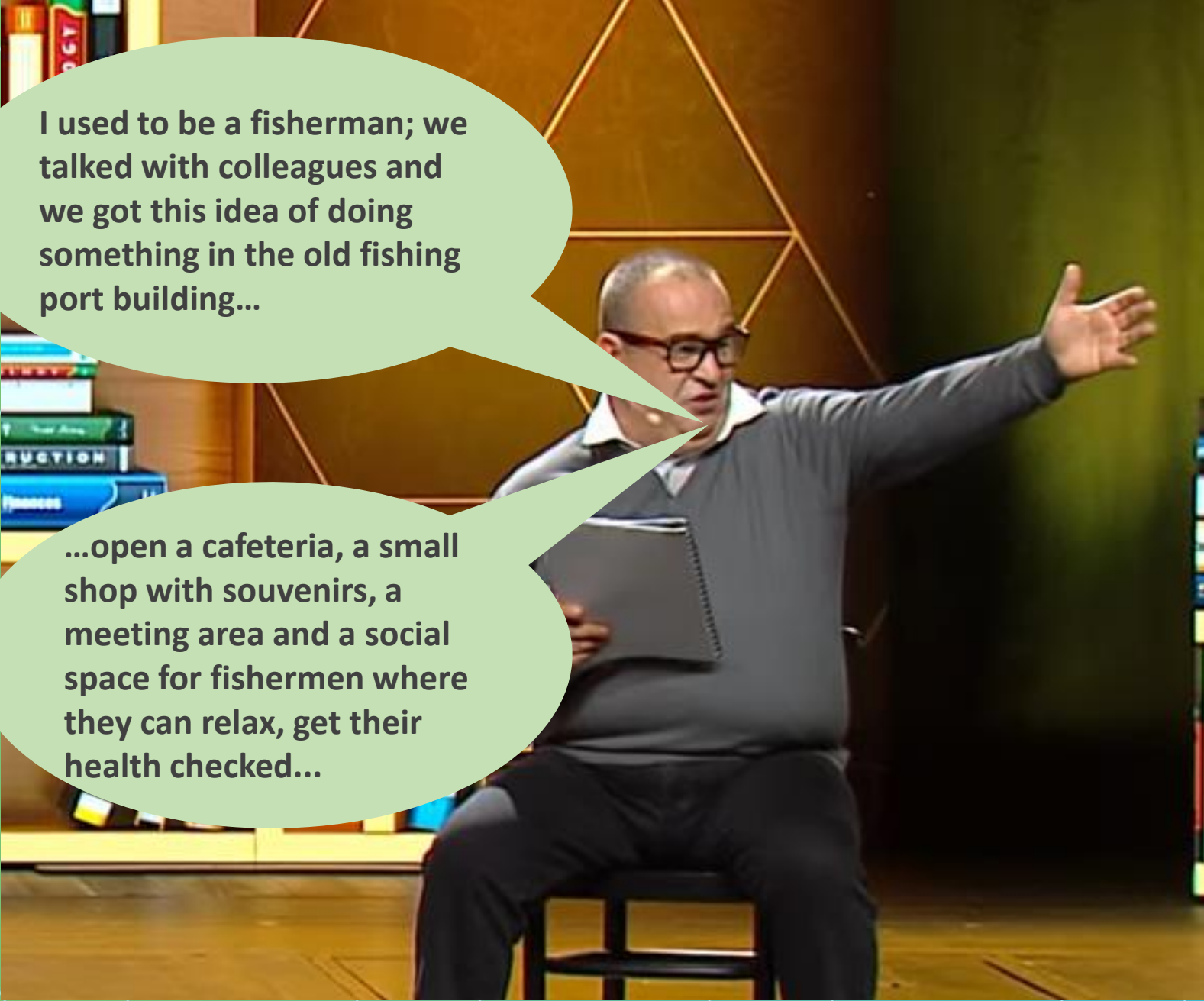






**Hello! I would like to get support from the FLAG for my project**

**Hello, nice to see you!  
What is your project about?**



**I used to be a fisherman; we talked with colleagues and we got this idea of doing something in the old fishing port building...**

**...open a cafeteria, a small shop with souvenirs, a meeting area and a social space for fishermen where they can relax, get their health checked...**





Wait, wait, this is getting too complicated!

The shop is not eligible...

What does it mean, „not eligible“?



It means that its costs cannot be covered with EU money





**But I was on a study visit and saw a fish shop financed with EMFF funding...**



**But in our country this is not possible, here is the list of all things you cannot finance with FLAG money...**




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**FLAG**

Do you plan to create jobs?

Sure, I will need someone to work in the cafeteria and the shop...



**Sorry, I mean, I will  
have to think if my  
project remains feasible  
without the shop...**

**What do I have to do  
to get the support?**



**You have to fill an application form and wait for the decision**

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**It is only 15 pages long, but you have to provide 12 attachments:**

**...confirmation you paid your taxes, confirmation you pay social insurance, confirmation you have money in the bank...**



**Money in the bank?!**

**I thought you were going to give me the money!...**

**Yes, some of it: but you have to pay all the costs first, and then you will get part of the money back**



How long will this take?

Between 6 and 12 months





**You mean I will get  
my money back in  
12 months from  
now???**



No, you will get it 12 months after you have finished your project...



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But I can start implementing the project now?

I wouldn't do it if I were you... You still need to know if your project has been approved

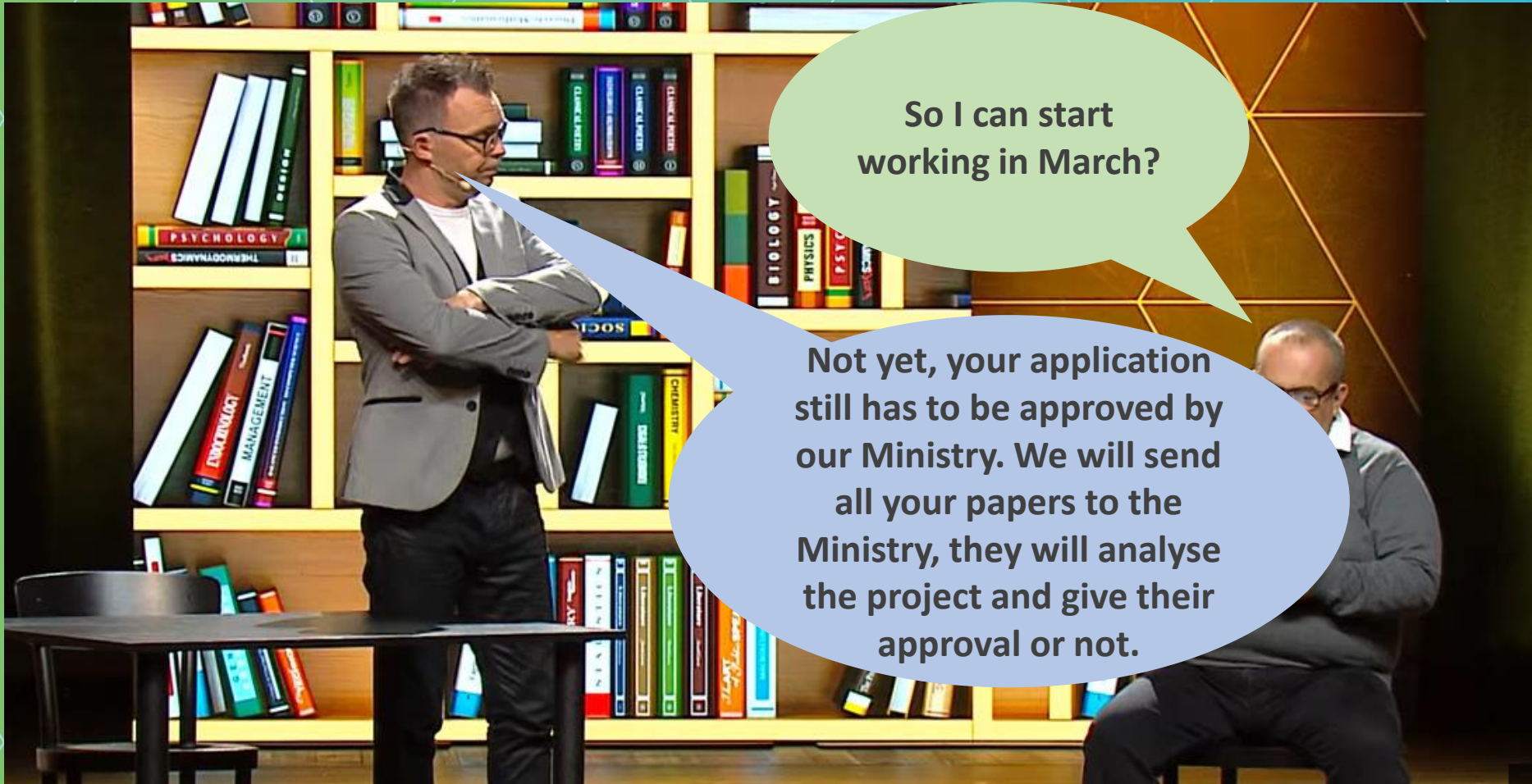
Approved? By whom?





**Well, it's complicated. First you have to submit your application to us, the FLAG.**

**We will decide if we want to support it. The next meeting of our decision body is in March and you will have decision then.**



**So I can start working in March?**

**Not yet, your application still has to be approved by our Ministry. We will send all your papers to the Ministry, they will analyse the project and give their approval or not.**



Do you mean they will again analyse the project after the FLAG has selected it?

Well, they prefer to check if everything is in good order.  
This takes about 6 months



So let me get this right: you will let me know in March if my project can go to the Ministry to be analysed for 6 months...



**...and then I will have  
to pay all the costs  
and get the money  
back in 6 to 12  
months?**





Yes, if all your application is correctly filled and all the attachments are in order. If not, it may take longer...

But don't worry, we are here to help you!

**Thank you very much, this is very kind... but I have to think if I can afford to go into such project**







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