

The Eivissa and Formentera local action group for rural development, whose vice-president Santi Juan also serves as the councillor of infrastructures of the Formentera Council, announced today that the island would be benefit from €200,000 in government subsidies to assist in the construction of an industrial space for local agricultural workers.

Santi Juan has indicated that the assistance package "will be funnelled toward construction of a space to be called the Formentera Cooperative ('La Cooperativa de Formentera'), of eminent importance to what has been an ongoing effort by the current administration to revitalise Formentera's countryside. Construction of the industrial space will begin immediately. What this particular subsidy means is that the financial burden of the present infrastructural improvements will be greatly reduced".

The project to create an industrial space for the Formentera Cooperative – authored by architect Xavier Pallejà – is expected to have a total price tag of €614,000. The cooperative will be situated in Formentera's industrial park, an area just outside the town of Sant Francesc, on property that was recently acquired by the Formentera Council.