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ALDEAS ABANDONADAS (ABANDONED VILLAGES)

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Aldeas Abandonadas is a real estate agency that offers farms, houses, hotels and villages for sale or rent in rural areas in Spain. They have been in business since 1983, and now operate from an internet portal.

As a result of rural depopulation many buildings, and even entire villages, are abandoned. At the same time, other people are attracted by the quality of life and environmental benefits of rural areas. The website leverages these opportunities by connecting people interested in moving to these areas and people interested in selling their properties. This opens a wide spectrum of possibilities for both potential buyers and sellers, and it increases the opportunities for the revitalisation of rural areas.

The agency is specialised in the financial market, real estate and in the management of patrimonies, in villages, uninhabited towns, rural houses, and singular and unique buildings linked to farming and rural environments. These include mills, *pazos* (Galician rural houses), *masías* (Catalonian rural houses), mansions, castles, warehouses, manor houses, estates, palaces, hotels, and other properties in different rural locations in Spain.

The portal also offers different types of advanced professional services, both for buyers and sellers to facilitate the transactions and to make the whole process easier.

Application scenario

Connect owner of abandoned rural houses with potential buyers.

Digital technologies

Online portal (web).

Socio-economic impact

- Economic: Increase opportunities for rural economic revitalisation.
- Social: Attract new inhabitants to the rural areas.

More info:

<https://www.aldeasabandonadas.com>



Purpose of the tool

The tool offers a website portal hosting a database of rural buildings for sale or for rent. It acts as a marketplace to put in contact sellers and buyers, displaying a broad offer of properties in Spanish rural areas. The catalogue of properties of all types can help to attract people and businesses to rural areas with low population densities. To attract new inhabitants and economic activities to rural areas might boost population and revitalisation.



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Description of the tool

Aldeas Abandonadas is a website specialised in the financial market, real estate and in the management of patrimonies.

Aware of the potential for development of rural environments and communities, they bring together a wide range of offers to individuals, professionals, investors, or entrepreneurs, in search of developing activities in rural environments, contributing to their repopulation and economic revitalisation, or simply aiming to find a new way of life in rural environments.

They offer a comprehensive range of specialised services to buyers and sellers such as buyer services, seller services, general services, insurance, mortgages, consulting and legal advice, architecture advice and reforms, expert opinions and assessments or premium personal shopper services, to facilitate the interaction between those interested in the rural areas and the owners of unused buildings.

Areas of socio-economic impacts

- Social** | Positive social impacts result from opportunities to repopulate rural areas, by attracting new inhabitants. A negative impact might be that these new inhabitants, who often come from foreign countries, displace local inhabitants who uphold rural traditions from business or decision-making arenas.
- Economic** | The main economic impacts are that the attraction of new inhabitants can revitalise rural areas, creating economic opportunities, opening new business options, and creating employment and economic activity.