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PREFACE

The establishment of trans-national networks (of administrators and experts) in key areas for spatial development is one of the results expected from the MATRIOSCA-AAP project. During the last years collaboration at project level has substantially increased, leading to numerous yet fragmented contacts and producing valuable but dispersed findings.

The intention of the thematic Working Groups is to provide a (unique) forum for capitalising on these contacts and findings in order to deepen the regional partnership and expand it to the entire co-operation area. In this way the project can prepare the ground for transiting from a project-based to a network-based form of collaboration – and thus also add value to other on-going projects.

Thematic Working Groups were established in the following fields:

- *Transport Infrastructure and Location Development*
- *Spatial Planning and Development*
- *Socio-Economic development and co-operation*
- *Co-operation among urban centres and municipalities*

At their first meeting in September 2005, these Working Groups have identified a list of projects (mainly co-financed by INTERREG IIIB and C programme funds), which they consider relevant for their thematic field.

The present compendium is based on this list and provides short summary descriptions of these projects (e.g. objectives, expected results and partners involved). The compendium is based on information provided by the Joint Technical Secretariats of INTERREG IIIB and INTERREG IIIC Programmes (source: www.cadses.net; www.interreg3c.net; www.alpinespace.org).

For more detailed information on these projects please follow the hyperlinks contained in this compendium. These links are also installed on the MATRIOSCA-AAP web-site (www.matriosca.net), where the projects are grouped according to their thematic area.

This compendium is a preliminary overview, which will likely be amended during the course of the MATRIOSCA-AAP project.

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INTERREG IIB

DRAVA RIVER BASIN PROJECT – Environmental infrastructure measures in the River Drava Basin

Project No.

2A063

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Priority/Measure

4 - Environment protection, resource management and risk prevention
4.1 - Promoting environmental protection and resource management

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

On the environmental sector problems are often transnational, where the cause lies in one country and the effects in the bordering. The characteristic of regions along borders are similar to less developed region in other are of a country. The lack of financial means makes it very difficult to improve the infrastructure in the regions although from the EU standards point of view necessary and demanded. Especially the projects concerning waste and waste water management, which require considerable amounts of money, technological know-how and to be effective complex organisational and legal structures. The Drava River Basin Project will develop a methodology to enable the authorities in less developed regions to approach these infrastructure projects in a way, that a long-term sustainable, economically and socially viable solution can be found taking into consideration the EU wide environmental and technological standards and using modern organisational and financial models.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 2.282.833,00

ERDF: 750.000,00

Duration

Start: 01/2003

End: 12/2005

Project Partners

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- Joanneum Research, Graz, Austria
- iC Consulente, Wien, Austria
- Ministry of Public Works, Reconstruction and Construction, Zagreb, Croatia
- South Transdanubian Regional Development Agency (Hungarian lead partner), Pécs, Hungary
- Ministry of Environment and Water Management – South-Transdanubian Environment Protection Authority, Pécs, Hungary
- General Assembly of Baranya County, Pécs, Hungary

SIC! – SUSTRAIN Implement Corridor

Project No.

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Priority/Measure

1 - Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion

1.1 - Supporting joint strategies for spatial development and actions for implementation

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

1) Definition of standards for infrastructure rehabilitation and construction in order to serve the regions needs concerning sustainable development in all functional hierarchies (regions- centres, centres- centres, regions- regions). Input for TEN-T and TINA redefinition. 2) Clarification of the region's and center's needs concerning transport infrastructure and services. Quantification of the region's/centers's effects of improved accessibility. 3) Clarification of the improvements in regional GDP, added value, employment, demography due to the accelerated generation of a Central European North-South City Network (Rostock-Berlin- Dresden-Prague- Brno- Vienna/Bratislava- Győr- Sopron/Eisenstadt- Budapest- Szombathely/Oberwart- Zagreb). 4) Input for TEN-T redefinition and TINA revision. 5) Bridging the financial gap between public budgets and infrastructure funding necessity.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 2.174.000,00

ERDF: 1.034.000,00

Duration

Start: 01/2003

End: 01/2006

Project Partners

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- Ministry of Transport, Innovation and Technology, Austria, Wien, Austria
- State Government Lower Austria, Abteilung Gesamtverkehrsangelegenheiten, St. Pölten, Austria
- State Government Upper Austria, Verkehrskoordinierung, Linz, Austria
- State Government Carinthia, Department of Infrastructure, Klagenfurt, Austria
- Freistaat Sachsen, Staatsministerium des Inneren, Referat Grenzüberschreitende Planung, Dresden, Germany
- Gemeinsame Landesplanung Berlin – Brandenburg, Potsdam, Germany
- Freistaat Thüringen, Staatskanzlei, Abteilung Raumordnung und Landesplanung, Erfurt, Germany
- Ministry for Regional Development, Czech Republic, Praha, Czech Republic
- Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Czech Republic, Praha, Czech Republic
- Vas County Road Management, Szombathely, Hungary
- Ministry of Environment, Slovak Republic, Bratislava, Slovak Republic
- Marshal Office of the Wroclaw Province, Poland, Wroclaw, Poland
- Ministry for Labour and Construction Mecklenburg - Vorpommern, Schwerin, Germany
- County Institute for Sustainable Development, County of Primorje and Gorski Kotar, Rijeka, Croatia
- Regione del Veneto – giunta regionale, Venezia, Italy
- Ministry of Transport, Building and Housing (BMVBW), Berlin, Germany

TECNOMAN perspectives – TEN and Corridor Nodes Management Network-perspectives

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Priority/Measure

1 - Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion

1.2 - Shaping urban development, promoting urban networks and co-operation

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

Changes of urban economic structures in- and outside the EU, caused by globalisation, the networked economy and the development of digital spaces, result in a new demand for business sites. Hence, an increasing inconsistency between demand and supply as far as historical urban centres, grown urban fabrics and existing industrial sites in functional urban agglomeration regions exists. TEN and TINA generate new transport and telecommunication accessibilities in node regions. They influence prosperity perspectives and the related functional balance of smaller and bigger (agglomeration) regions within the European system. The increasing capital mobility caused structural changes in the European urban economy. At the same time it forces cities and agglomeration regions to compete for mobile capital and thereby assigning public planning institutions a number of new broker-like functions in a non-transparent markets. Future concepts for agglomeration regions will be determined by these trends.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 3.702.568,92

ERDF: 2.036.499,94

Duration

Start: 01/2003

End: 12/2005

Project Partners

- Municipality of the City of Vienna, Dept. 18 – Urban Development and Town Planning, Vienna, Austria
- Office of the State Government of Upper Austria – Dept. State Planning, Linz, Austria
- Upper Austrian Technology and Marketing Association (Oberösterreichische Technologie- und Marketinggesellschaft m.b.H. (TMG)), Linz, Austria
- Municipality of the City of Graz – Office for Urban Development and Town Preservation, Graz, Austria
- Office of the State Government of Carinthia – Dept. 20 – State Planning, Klagenfurt, Austria
- Prefecture of Thessaloniki, Planning Department, Thessaloniki, Greece
- Economic Region Chemnitz-Zwickau, District Office of Chemnitz County, Glauchau, Germany
- Prefecture of Halkidiki, Planning Department, Polygros, Greece
- Prefecture of Pieria, Planning Department, Katerini, Greece
- South Great Plain Regional Development Agency, Szeged, Hungary
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- Municipality of Plzen, Plzen, Czech Republic
- Regional Bureau of Spatial Planning in Wroclaw, Wroclaw, Poland
- Region V West Development Agency, Romania, Timisoara, Romania
- Municipality of Ostrava, Dept. for Economic Development, Ostrava, Czech Republic
- Chamber of Economy of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro
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CITY PORTS -- a city net following a co-ordinated approach to develop feasible and sustainable city logistics solutions

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Priority/Measure

2 - Efficient and sustainable transport systems and access to the information society
2.1 - Developing efficient transport systems with regard to sustainable development

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

Traffic problems are spreading and in growth: Freight transport and distribution are strongly influencing and increasing congestion, pollution and noise within the cities, thus reducing the quality of life; the phenomenon is widely diffused and -generally speaking - quite common in urban areas all along the CADSES space. Especially on the very short distances, the competition between transport modes, models and technologies are distorted, as transport users and operators face with prices that do not reflect the full social and environmental cost of transport. Therefore, to come to city logistics providing the best economical, social and environmental performances, public administrations have to define and follow adequate processes for problem investigation and solution design and implementation. This policy processes shall consider simultaneously several topics, with regard to supply chain management, urban zoning, traffic management, transit points, low emission vehicles.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 4.774.333,00

ERDF: 2.392.500,00

Duration

Start: 07/2001

End: 12/2004

Project Partners

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- Centre for Research and Technology – Hellas/Hellenic Institute of Transport, Thessaloniki, Greece
- SCS Azioninnova Spa, Bologna, Italy
- IC Consulenti Ziviltexniker G.m.b.H, Wien, Austria
- Transeuropean Consulting Unit of Thessaloniki S.A. (TRUTH), Thessaloniki, Greece
- Comune di Udine, Udine, Italy
- Comune di Ravenna, Ravenna, Italy
- Comune di Ancona, Ancona, Italy
- Comune di Taranto, Taranto, Italy
- Brescia Mobilità – Società Metropolitana di Mobilità, Brescia, Italy
- Comune di Vicenza, Vicenza, Italy
- Infomobility S.p.A., Parma, Italy
- IT.CITY S.p.A., Parma, Italy
- Comune di Parma, Parma, Italy
- Prefecture of Kavala, Kavala, Greece
- Region of Attika, Athens, Greece
- City Courier Service Spedition G.m.b.H, Vienna, Austria
- LOB Logistik und Organisationsberatungs G.m.b.H., Wien, Austria
- Forschungsgesellschaft Mobilität – Austrian Mobility Research (Graz), Graz, Austria
- The Agency for Regional Development of Ljubljana Urban Region, Ljubljana, Slovenia

IMONODE – Efficient Integration of Cargo Transport Modes & Nodes in CADSES area

Project No.

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Priority/Measure

2 - Efficient and sustainable transport systems and access to the information society
2.1 - Developing efficient transport systems with regard to sustainable development

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

The IMONODE project will try to explore the options and to suggest solutions and solid actions in order to enhance the greater use of, and the accessibility to the transportation axes no V and X, for freight transport with priority on rail. The emphasis is on rail because if no specific actions are taken it will continue to loose ground against road transport and this is contrary to the declared Transport policy of the EU. For the areas of CADSES countries that had a long tradition of rail supremacy over road, this is a crucial issue and a very urgent objective to pursue.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 4.891.500,00

ERDF: 2.770.148,75

Duration

Start: 12/2002

End: 06/2005

Project Partners

- HELLENIC RAILWAYS ORGANISATION, ATHENS, Greece
- PROODOS S.A., Kallithea, Greece
- CCIAA Ravenna, Ravenna, Italy
- CCIAA Taranto, Taranto, Italy
- CCIAA Forli Cesena, Forli, Italy
- Region of Emilia Romagna, Bologna, Italy
- Region of Veneto, Venezia, Italy
- Region of Friuli Venezia Giulia, Trieste, Italy
- Agroter S.a.s., Montale Rangone, Italy
- IC CONSULTENTEN, Wien, Austria
- Government of Carinthia, Klagenfurt, Austria
- BMVIT/Ministry of Transport Innovation and Technology, Wien, Austria
- Ministry of the Environment, Spatial Planning and Energy – National Office for Spatial Planning, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Ministry of Economy, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Transport Logistic Cluster – TLG, Koper, Slovenia
- Municipality of Celje, Celje, Slovenia
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PLANET CENSE – PLAnners NETwork for CENTral and South East Europe

Project No.

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Priority/Measure

1 - Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion

1.1 - Supporting joint strategies for spatial development and actions for implementation

Call for project proposals

2nd call

Short description

PLANET CENSE is a network of national spatial planning institutions and experts established as a consequence of VISION PLANET aimed at pursuing and developing further the policy options laid down in the VISION PLANET documents. The network will foster spatial integration and a cross-sectoral dialogue along following tracks: - European Spatial Planning Gateway (ESP GATEWAY): an expert dialogue, research information and knowledge exchange about application and further development of ESDP. - The Forum for Territorial Impact Analysis (TIA Forum) offers an opportunity to develop and test the application of the planning instrument TIA at the transnational and cross-sectoral level. - The PLANET CENSE CONFERENCE will review on expert level the progress made in transnational spatial development so far and select politically viable and sound measures for implementation in international (political) processes, building on the results of ESP Gateway and TIA Forum. Some of the envisaged results will be: - The transfer of important European spatial planning issues within the EU also to the non-member states and checking their applicability to specific requirements of the regions of the CADSES countries independent from their formal accession status and - a strategic spatial development

document for the CADSES which reflects on the current political developments and research results on European level, serving as a potential basis for ESDP plus.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 1.352.000,00

ERDF: 711.500,00

Duration

Start: 11/2003

End: 10/2006

Project Partners

- City of Vienna, Vienna, Austria
- Government of Land Styria, Graz, Austria
- ÖBB, Austrian Federal Railways, Vienna, Austria
- Federal Ministry for Transport, Building and Housing, Berlin, Germany
- Planning Authority of Land Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Schwerin, Germany
- Regione Emilia-Romagna, Bologna, Italy
- Regione Marche, Ancona, Italy
- Ministry of the environment, spatial planning and energy, National office for spatial planning, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology, Vienna, Austria
- Joint Spatial Planning Department of Berlin and Brandenburg, Potsdam, Germany
- Panteion University Athens, Athens, Greece
- Co-Plan, Center for Habitat Development, Tirana, Albania
- National Centre for Regional Development, Sofia, Bulgaria
- Federal Ministry of Physical Planning and Environment, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Ministry of Regional Development, Praha 1, Czech Republic
- VATI, Hungarian Public Nonprofit Company for Regional Development and Town Planning, Budapest, Hungary
- RKK, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Pécs, Hungary
- Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning, Zagreb, Croatia
- Government Centre for Strategic Studies, Warsaw, Poland
- INCD – URBANPROIECT, Bucharest, Romania
- Ministry of Build-up and Regional Development, Bratislava 1, Slovak Republic
- IAUS, Institute of Architecture and Urban and Spatial Planning of Serbia, Beograd, Serbia and Montenegro
- University Belgrade, Institute of Spatial Planning, Beograd, Serbia and Montenegro
- German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development, Berlin, Germany

I-Log – Industrial Logistics and intermodal transport for SMEs’ development

Project No.

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Priority/Measure

2 - Efficient and sustainable transport systems and access to the information society
2.1 - Developing efficient transport systems with regard to sustainable development

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

The CADSES space is characterized by the widespread presence of SMEs and it is a strategic area since north-south and east-west corridors meet. The social and economic development of this space relies on the ability of SMEs to face changes with global, regional and local threats. The main threat to SMEs is represented by the increasing gap between international groups and industrial clusters, networked companies and networks of enterprises, which may leave SMEs and local SMEs system out of value creation chains. Logistics represent a strategic leverage to compete on a global scale since it can ensure the delocalisation of production phases, higher service standards and closer enterprises’ relationships with customers and suppliers. The project aims at providing local SMEs systems with innovative instruments for sustaining their competitiveness and reducing traffic congestion. In particular I-Log is based on six fundamental goals: - Definition and implementation of a set of logistic services with reference to the existing infrastructures - Regional Logistic Service Pattern - in order rationalise logistics and transportation within local productive systems and to integrate ICT solutions in transport and logistic services; - Fine tuning and testing the proposed solutions on the participating local SMEs systems pinpointing organisation and management models for transport services and local platforms; - Promoting and diffusing logistic

culture in local SMEs systems creating relation and information networks; - Exchanging best practices and experiences, diffusing the awareness of the logistic leverage importance for gaining SMEs' long term competitiveness; - Improving industrial relations among the participating CADSES countries. Becoming a "network of competence" which can provide SMEs advice and support on innovative logistic services implementation and development; as regards this objective it will be examined to establish a "virtual logistic observatory" for methods, approaches and methodology for organisation and management of local transport and logistic services.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 4.299.386,23

ERDF: 1.798.999,99

Duration

Start: 01/2003

End: 12/2005

Project Partners

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- Emilia Romagna Region – General Direction for Spatial and Mobility Planning, Transport and Logistics Planning Department, Bologna, Italy
- Umbria Region – Direction for Spatial policies, Environment and Infrastructures, Transport and Mobility Department, Perugia, Italy
- Abruzzo Region – Productive Activities Department, Pescara, Italy
- Retedis S.r.l., Manzano, Italy
- Istria Region – Department of Economy, Pula, Croatia
- IDA (Istrian Development Agency) Ltd, Pula, Croatia
- Varazdin County, Varazdin, Croatia
- Fraunhofer Gesellschaft E.V. (ATL) - Neuernberg, Nuernberg, Germany
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- Central Transdanubian Regional Development Agency Plc., Székesfehérvár, Hungary
- Italian Chamber of Commerce for Hungary, Budapest, Hungary
- Debreceni Universitas Kht., Debrecen, Hungary
- Mid-Pannon Regional Developing Plc, Székesfehérvár, Hungary
- Adetim – Economic Development Agency of Timis County, Timisoara, Romania
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- Transport Research Institute – Incertrans S.A., Bucharest, Romania
- Kärnten Technologie GesmbH, Klagenfurt, Austria
- Infratec S.A., Halandri, Greece
- Thesprotia Prefecture, Igoumenitsa, Greece

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CONSPACE – Common Strategy network for Spatial Development and Implementation

Project No.

2A050

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Priority/Measure

1 - Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion

1.1 - Supporting joint strategies for spatial development and actions for implementation

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

The region involved faces a pre-accession situation and is geographically as well as functionally a interface to future EU enlargement. The region is characterised by highly diversified types of landscape and physical structures with a vast natural and cultural heritage. The system of central places is without a dominating agglomeration. The net of the north/south and east/west TEN- & TINA-corridors creates a strong impact on accessibility (sea, rail road, air), economic location development, economic exchange and future prosperity. There has been a tradition of exchanging information within the region in the framework of the ALPS-ADRIATIC working community and the previous period of INTERREG. However, there are still existing quite different administrative structures, planning systems, planning philosophies and systems of basic information needed for regional development issues. The resulting

inconsistencies have a negative impact on a more balanced development of the region.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 2.045.875,00

ERDF: 838.000,00

Duration

Start: 04/2003

End: 03/2006

Project Partners

- Office of the State Government of Sty-ria, Graz, Austria
- Veneto Region - Spatial Planning De-partment, Venezia, Italy
- Province of Gorizia, Spatial Planning office, Gorizia, Italy
- Autonomous Region of Friuli - Vene-zia Giulia, Trieste, Italy
- Ministry of Environment, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Ministry of Environmental Protection and Physical Planning, Institute for Physical Planning, Zagreb, Croatia
- County of Primorje & Gorski KotarCounty Institute for Sustainable Development and Spatial Planning, Rijeka, Croatia
- Region of Istria, Institute for Physical Planning of Istrian region regional self-governments, Pula, Croatia
- South-Transdanubian Regional Development Agency, Kaposvár, Hungary

IPAM – IPAM-Toolbox: Integrative Protected Area Management in the Alps-Adriatic-Region

Project No.

2A072

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Priority/Measure

3 - Promotion and management of landscape, natural and cultural heritage
3.2 - Protecting and developing natural heritage

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

The protection of areas and sites is one of the most important instruments of modern, anticipating strategies in nature conservation and planning for sustainable spatial development. Therefore, an enormous increase of number and acreage as well as the number of categories of sites has been registered. The management of these sites has become a challenge for conservation and other sectors, mainly regional planning, since protected area management is related to three dimensions, i.e. the spatial, socio-cultural and economic dimension. Therefore, the planning and managing of protected areas hit very different legal, administrative and technical realities. Besides, the interfaces between regional, national and transnational requirements and solutions must be stringently developed. Within the enlargement process of the EU, different administrative and planning systems should anticipatorily be harmonised in a smooth process.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 2.399.000,00

ERDF: 1.209.934,50

Duration

Start: 04/2003

End: 03/2006

Project Partners

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- Regional Park of Colli Euganei, Veneto, Este, Italy
- Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic
- Department for Spatial Planning in Medimurje County, Cakovec, Croatia
- Ministry of the Environment, Spatial Planning and Energy of the Republic of Slovenia, Ljubljana, Slovenia

ISA -MAP – Harmonisation of regional data resources for cross-border planning

Project No.

2A034

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Priority/Measure

2 - Efficient and sustainable transport systems and access to the information society
2.2 - Improving access to knowledge and the information society

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

Common harmonised and broadly accessible cartography and data resources are lacking in the service sector of public administration. Such common resources shall be elaborated and implemented in the framework of ISA-Map. They represent the basis for the preparation of the cross-border planning and information instruments (e.g. traffic planning). The type of efficient and citizen-friendly access to modern information and telecommunication facilities to be established by ISA-Map as well as the services based on such facilities represent an important prerequisite for economic and social development. Common and harmonised basic resources must be made available to the actors of spatial development policy to allow an exchange of know-how and experience so as to ensure efficient and sustainable implementation. The ISA- Map project will focus upon the following main objectives: - better utilisation of modern communication facilities to improve the access to knowledge and the information society for the purposes of integrated spatial development, especially in rural regions or other disadvantaged regions. - supporting regional and spatial development policy through modern information and communication technology and corresponding service facilities provided by public administrations on a local, regional

and national level. - raising the awareness of ICT applications also in the field of spatial development policy. - harmonisation of educational and spatial policies with a view to improving further development and networks between educational and research facilities and institutions involved in the transfer of know-how and technology.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 1.812.880,00

ERDF: 681.440,00

Duration

Start: 04/2003

End: 03/2006

Project Partners

- Regione Autonoma Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Direzione regionale della pianificazione territoriale, Trieste, Italy
- Ministry of the Environment, Ljubljana, Slovenia

ESTIA-SPOSE – European Space - Territorial Indicators and Actions for a Spatial Planning Observatory in Southeast Europe

Project No.

3B036

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Priority/Measure

1 - Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion

1.1 - Supporting joint strategies for spatial development and actions for implementation

Call for project proposals

2nd call

Short description

ESTIA-SPOSE builds upon the experience accumulated by its predecessor ESTIA project and intends to develop Actions for a Spatial Planning Observatory in Southeast Europe, based on an integrated system of territorial indicators fully compatible with the approach of ESDP and ESPON. This system of indicators will be tested in a series of pilot applications in selected sectors and areas with the aim to promote both conceptual understanding and operational compatibility among the existing national spatial planning traditions. The project has three main components: - The Territorial Indicators System (TIS) is the conceptual and methodological component of ESTIA-SPOSE. The construction of an integrated territorial indicators system (TIS) is the most decisive factor for the establishment of a SPOSE. The base for the construction of TIS is the overall framework and the incoming results of the European Spatial Planning Observatory Network (ESPON). - The Pilot Applications of Indicators (PAI) in selected sectors and areas is the empirical component of ESTIA-SPOSE. The applicability of the TIS will be tested in real terms. - The Spatial Planning Observatory Platform (SPOP) intends to establish a more permanent

network of agencies of spatial planning and development that will support the operation and discuss all conceptual, methodological and practical aspects of SPOSE based on TIS and PAI in ESTIA-SPOSE space.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 1.034.000,00

ERDF: 513.750,00

Duration

Start: 10/2003

End: 06/2006

Project Partners

- BBR - Federal Office for Building and Regional Planning, Bonn, Germany
- Regione Abruzzo, L'Aquila, Italy
- Regione Emilia-Romagna, Bologna, Italy
- OIR - Austrian Institute for Regional Studies and Spatial Planning, Vienna, Austria
- Urban & Spatial Planning DesignStudio, Tirana, Albania
- Federal Ministry of Physical Planning and Environment, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Institute of Geography under Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria
- Ministry of Environmental Protection and Physical Planning, Zagreb, Croatia
- Institute of Architecture and Regional & Urban Planning of Serbia, Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro
- Lychnidos, Center for Sustainable Values, Ohrid, Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia
- Centre for Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Pécs, Hungary
- National Institute for Research and Development in Urban and Spatial Planning - URBANPROJECT, Bucharest, Romania
- University of Ljubljana - Faculty for Civil Engineering and Geodesy, Ljubljana, Slovenia

VILLAS – VILLAS, STATELY HOMES AND CASTLES: compatible use, valorisation and creative management

Project No.

3B074

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Priority/Measure

3 - Promotion and management of landscape, natural and cultural heritage
3.1 - Protecting and developing cultural heritage

Call for project proposals

2nd call

Short description

Cultural heritage, preserved and managed in an appropriate way, can play a decisive role in spatial development. This is the focus of the VILLAS' project proposal. Its' main aims consist of improving and revitalising the aesthetic and economic aspects of architectural heritage by creating an evaluation model and defining a compatible re-use strategy tool, according to the planning criteria and spatial policies of the CADSES area. In the long term, the project is expected to have a positive effect on the regional communities and economies through: the increase of knowledge, cultural tourism, investment possibilities, etc. and the amelioration of juridical instruments at a national and European level in a wider sense. The possibilities of intercultural dialogue and the multidisciplinary approach of the topic will, on the one hand, achieve the relevant sustainable development requirements, and on the other contribute to the support and stability of the area.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 2.516.016,00

ERDF: 1.270.893,00

Duration

Start: 01/2004

End: 12/2006

Project Partners

- IRVV - Regional Institute of Villas of the Veneto, Venezia, Italy
- Province of Campobasso, Campobasso, Italy
- University of Ferrara - Department of Architecture, Ferrara, Italy
- University of Trieste – Department of Civil Engineering, Trieste, Italy
- IBACN - Institute of Cultural Heritage of the Emilia Romagna Region, Bologna, Italy
- Municipality of Corfu, Corfu, Greece
- Office of the Government of Carinthia – Department 20 – Spatial Planning and Development - Austria, Klagenfurt, Austria
- UMBRIA REGION, Perugia, Italy
- University of Zagreb - Faculty of Architecture, Zagreb, Croatia
- Fund for regional development of Republic of Croatia, Zagreb, Croatia
- County of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
- County of Krapina-Zagorje, Zupan, Croatia
- County of Varasdin, Varazdin, Croatia
- County of Pozega-Slavonia, Pozega, Croatia
- County of Koprivnika - Krizevci, Koprivnica, Croatia

LOTO – Landscape opportunities for territorial organization

Project No.

2A057

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Priority/Measure

3 - Promotion and management of landscape, natural and cultural heritage
3.3 - Protecting and developing landscape

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

As emphasised by the ESDP and the European Landscape Convention, the different landscape characterization of the territories is a resource to safeguard. Given that the territory is constantly developing, transformations of the landscape cannot be avoided, but it is important for them to be guided with awareness. On the other hand, whoever designs or plans the territory does not easily have access to tools that can be used to resolve the problem. The project intends to provide tools that govern the evolution of the landscape through the knowledge of the dynamics of transformation, intending the landscape itself as a reference framework for any project of an accurate and territorial scale, aimed at directing the territorial planning/design tools in a complementary manner. So, we propose identifying a method of interpreting the landscape that could be a shared operative reference to guide and verify the territorial transformation choices.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 1.821.900,00

ERDF: 800.000,00

Duration

Start: 05/2002

End: 05/2005

Project Partners

- Ministry for cultural heritage and activities, Roma, Italy
- Regione Umbria, Perugia, Italy
- Regione Marche, Ancona, Italy
- Regione Emilia Romagna, Bologna, Italy
- Regione Veneto, Venezia, Italy
- Regione Istria, Pula, Croatia
- Ministry for environmental and spatial planning, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Technical University of Munich, Freising, Germany
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REKULA – Restructuring Cultural Landscapes

Project No.

2A002

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Priority/Measure

3 - Promotion and management of landscape, natural and cultural heritage
3.3 - Protecting and developing landscape

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

Landscapes have been altered and disturbed within a short time through industrial processes such as mining. By changing economic structures, natural and cultural heritage as well as regional identities often has been neglected. REKULA - the Restructuring of Cultural Landscapes aims at integrated and coordinated measures for the renewed appreciation of disturbed cultural landscapes. A committee of experts was established to develop landscaping criteria and take on the tasks of evaluation. The expert commission set up itself as consultants for the EU through the course of REKULA and carry the dialog to the European level as an international discourse on the treatment of disturbed landscapes. Pilot projects should help to establish the necessary set of tools for application throughout Europe. They are intended as a set of rules for the production, the preservation that is, of the balance of natural resources as well as practical tools for managing the entire process. The results of REKULA will be summarized and published as a management handbook. This book will present the set of tools for landscape management through inclusion of the various interest groups and contain the necessary steps for similar restructuring processes.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 3.435.099,00

ERDF: 2.299.074,00

Duration

Start: 01/2003

End: 12/2005

Project Partners

- Regione del Veneto, Venice, Italy
- Fondazione Benetton Studi Ricerche, Treviso, Italy
- Politechnika Slaska w Gliwicach (Silesian University of Technology, department of Architecture), Gliwice, Poland
- City and Community of Zabrze, Zabrze, Poland
- Consorzio di Bonifica Pedemontano Brentella di Pederobba, Montebelluna, Italy
- Consorzio di Bonifica Destra Piave, Treviso, Italy
- Consorzio di Bonifica Pedemontano Sinistra Piave, Codogne, Italy
- Kamenz District, Kamenz, Germany
- Lausitz University of Applied Sciences (FHL), Cottbus, Germany
- Regional Planning Office Lausitz-Spreewald, Cottbus, Germany
- Regionale Planning Office Bautzen, Bautzen, Germany
- LMBV Lausitzer und Mitteldeutsche Bergbau- Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH Lausitzinitiative (Mining Administration), Senftenberg, Germany

TECPARKNET – Science and technology park co-operation in EU-Future Region

Project No.

2A076

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Priority/Measure

1 - Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion

1.1 - Supporting joint strategies for spatial development and actions for implementation

Call for project proposals

1st Call

Short description

TEC PARK NET is rooted in the vision of the EU-Future Region - a political initiative promoted by partners in the neighbored regions of 5 European states (Austria, Italy, Croatia, Hungary and Slovenia). This European area offers a lot of interesting and attractive potential in the fields of technology, business and science infrastructure for transnational co-operation, but there are significant disparities between the regions in the territory, which reduces the potential of social and economic integration as well as the growth potential of the partners, economic sectors, local institutions and parks mostly are acting at regional level, but not integrated at transnational level, unsatisfactory interactions between research, university institutions and industry at transnational level low level of mutual information, technology transfer and networking between the regional actors, thus a lot of synergetic potential is not exhausted effectively by the partner regions.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 1.250.000,00

ERDF: 500.000,00

Duration

Start: 05/2003

End: 08/2005

Project Partners

- Wirtschaftsservice Burgenland AG WIBAG, Eisenstadt, Austria
- Kärnten Technologie GesmbH, Klagenfurt, Austria
- Consorzio per l' AREA di Ricerca Scientifica e Tecnologica di Trieste (AREA Science Park), Trieste, Italy
- Regione Veneto, Mestre, Italy
- Republic of Slovenia, Ministry of Economy, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- West-Pannon Regional Development Agency, Sopron, Hungary
- Tehnoloski Park Zagreb d.o.o. – Technology Park Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
- Tehnolosko-inovacijski centar Rijeka d.o.o. – Technology Innovation Centre Rijeka, Rijeka, Croatia

Smart Region – sm@rt region

Project No.

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Priority/Measure

- 1 - Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion
- 1.1 - Supporting joint strategies for spatial development and actions for implementation

Call for project proposals

3rd Call

Short description

The envisaged project aims at strengthening co-operation potentials between regional development units and their working environments and surroundings in the participating regions and finally fostering spatial integration by establishing and intensifying co-operation between these actors. This will be organised by a Knowledge and Information Manager (KIM) model which will be developed after an intensive survey in the participating regions. The main tasks and duties of the KIM are to get to know a comprehensive overview of regional development processes on different levels (regional, national, interregional bi- and multi-lateral) and to touch potential areas of regional development in an integrative multi-sectoral manner and as a holistic approach. The KIM model will be anchored in the participating regions and transferred to an enlarged network of project partner organisations, thus contributing to overcome regional disparities between candidate / 3rd countries and EU member states.

Project budget

Total budget (EUR): 1.050.000,00

ERDF: 660.000,00

Duration

Start: 10/2005

End: 03/2008

Project Partners

- GEA College of Entrepreneurship, Piran, Slovenia
- Mind Consult & Research Ltd, Graz, Austria
- Government of Styria, Department for Economy and Labour, Graz, Austria
- ReFIT r.s., Jena, Germany
- Wirtschaftsverband Gera – Ronneburg 2007 e.V., Gera, Germany
- Regional Advisory and Information Centre Presov (RAIC Presov), Presov, Slovak Republic
- Regional State Department in Presov, Presov, Slovak Republic
- Local Enterprise Agency of Somogy County, Kaposvár, Hungary
- Enterprise Development Foundation of Tolna County, Szekszárd, Hungary
- Euro Info Centre IT 378 Veneto, Marghera Venezia, Italy
- The City of Osijek, Osijek, Croatia
- Croatian Chamber of Economy - County Chamber Varaždin, Varaždin, Croatia
- Centre for Strategic Economic Studies “Vojvodina-CESS”, Novi Sad, Serbia and Montenegro

Title	<i>AlpenCorS</i>
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Priority, Measure	2.2
Lead Partner	Regione Veneto
Lead Partner Country	Italy
Project Website	http://www.alpencors.net
Duration	12/2002 - 08/2005
Date of Approval	24-07-2002
Approx. Total Budget in €	3.130.000 €
ERDF in €	1.532.500 €
Project Summary	Bottom up multidisciplinary approach to the TEN-T Corridor V implementation strategy.
Project Objectives	Corridor policy guidelines elaboration
Project Achievements	2/3 of planned works completed
EU Project Partners	<p>Amt der Niederösterreichischen Landesregierung - Gruppe Raumordnung und Umwelt Abteilung Gesamtverkehrsangelegenheiten (Austria) Austrian Research Centers, Seibersdorf research GmbH, Division of Intelligent Infrastructures and Space Applications (Austria) Centro Ricerche Fiat S.C.p.A. (Italy) Centro Studi Sistemi di Trasporto s.p.a. (Italy) Dipartimento Interateneo Territorio, Politecnico of Torino (Italy) Dipartimento di Scienze economiche – Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia (Italy) École Nationale des Travaux Publics de l'Etat – FORMéquipe (France) GeoVille Informationssysteme GmbH (Austria) HERRY Consult (Austria) INTI Studio and Partners (Italy) Ministrstvo za Okolje in Prostor - Urad RS za Prostorsko Planiranje (Slovenia) Provincia Autonoma di Trento (Italy) Regione Piemonte (Italy)</p>
Non-EU Project Partners	
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Title	<i>ALPFRAIL</i> Operation solutions for the transalpine railway freight traffic for sustainable management of connections of the economic areas within the alpine space.
Priority, Measure	2.2
Lead Partner	Logistik-Kompetenz-Zentrum Prien am Chiemsee
Lead Partner Country	Germany
Project Website	http://www.alpfrail.com
Duration	02/2003 - 02/2007
Date of Approval	13-11-2003
Approx. Total Budget in €	4.000.000 €
ERDF in €	1.980.756 €
Project Summary	Every 8th ton of the international trade has to traverse the Alps. The transalpine traffic accessibility is essential for Europe. Catastrophes in the Alp tunnels and traffic contrasts show the European dimension of these problems. The raise of road traffic within the alpine region cause an escalation of CO2 emissions, noise pollution and use of road infrastructure which is not designed for the actual traffic volume. The "alpine" policy of traffic has abandoned the scope of single nationalities and reached European dimensions. The new focus for the solution is "thinking in network and systems, not in axes". The project will:- create a sustainable mobility concept and offers to master the transalpine freight traffic by using existing (railway) infrastructure- install a prototype of an information and quality assurance system for a better execution of the transalpine freight traffic on rail taking into account the Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) for logistic and transport solution- create an overall supply for the target group and verify the system in 2 pilot cases- meet the political aims of the ESCP and the "Alpine Convention" for sustainable transport solutions.
Project Objectives	Project focus is the traffic of economical centers among the alpine space including the interface to neighbor regions. The main objective is to enhance the acceptance of the railway as alternative and complemented transport media to prevent the alpine space from an economical, environmental and traffic disaster according to European programs (e.g. Alps Convention).
Project Achievements	
EU Project Partners	Amt der Vorarlberger Landesregierung (Austria) Autorità Portuale di Venezia (Italy) Bundesministerium für Verkehr, Innovation und Technologie

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DB Netz AG (Germany)
Deutscher Verband für Wohnungswesen, Städtebau und
Raumordnung e.V. (Germany)
Kärntner Landesregierung (Austria)
Province of Alessandria (coordinating the ligurian ports B182 and
Local Logistic platforms Rivalta Scrivia (Italy)
Provincia di Brescia (Italy)
Provincia di Mantova (Italy)
Regionalverband Donau-Ilher (Germany)
Regione Autonoma Friuli-Venezia-Giulia (Italy)
Regione Veneto (coordination Port of Venice, Unioncamere,
Interporto Padova, Interporte Verona (Italy)
Salzburger Landesregierung (Austria)
Veneto Union Chambers of Commerce - Department for European
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**Non-EU Project
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Title	CATCHRISK Mitigation of hydro-geological risk in Alpine catchments
Priority, Measure	3.3
Lead Partner	Regione Lombardia - Direzione Generale Territorio e Urbanistica-Struttura Rischi Idrogeologici
Lead Partner Country	Italy
Project Website	http://www.catchrisk.org
Duration	07/2002 - 07/2005
Date of Approval	02-08-2002
Approx. Total Budget in €	2.557.600 €
ERDF in €	1.187.500 €
Project Summary	The first objective of this project is to create a shared approach for the definition of hydro-geological risk scenarios in Alpine catchments and on alluvial fans. To achieve this all aspects of hydro-geological hazards affecting a catchment will be analysed, in particular: flooding and mass transport phenomena; droughts and aquifer depletion; and landslides, such as rockfalls, soil slips, and debris flows. This will lead to the evaluation of hazard and risk both in the catchment and on the alluvial fans. The final objective is to provide guidelines addressed to professionals and administrators to support decisions for improving water management, land use and protection measures planning, and risk management. Dissemination of results will include workshops addressed to professionals, administrators and the public, to inform and increase awareness on hydro-geological risks. Expected impacts include a contribution to changing the attitude of local administrators to risk and land management into a more comprehensive process, and establishing a network between partners, also by setting a common terminology.
Project Objectives	Main project objectives include: -design of information systems (GIS) for the risk scenarios definition; -development of morphologic analysis methods, particularly referred to torrent and river dynamics; -comparison and integration of existing applications and computational models in the test areas chosen by the partner countries; -design of recommendations and guidelines for mitigation measures and land planning for administrators and professionals.
Project Achievements	The main project results achieved are: - development of 3 information systems for the risk scenarios definition in the Alpine catchments; - development of analysis methodologies for evaluation of landslides and rockfalls triggering; - application of

morphological and numerical models for debris flow modelling for risk scenarios definition in the catchments; the morphological method (Aulitzky method) has been applied to some sample areas; the numerical method (FLO 2D model) to 6 areas; - application in test area of methodology developed (systemic vulnerability) in connection to a catastrophic scenario; - definition of general criteria for the information aggregation, in order to suitably use it for the systemic vulnerability analysis. - organization of informative meetings; approximately 500 people attended to the meetings.

EU Project Partners

Amministrazione Provinciale della Spezia - Area Difesa del Suolo (Italy)

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Regione Veneto – Direzione Difesa del Suolo e Protezione Civile (Italy)

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ENLOCC European Network of Logistics Competence Centres

Topic for cooperation: Other appropriate subjects

Themes of cooperation: Accessibility, Mobility and Transport

Duration: January 2004 - December 2006

Total budget: 1 423 000 EUR

ERDF contribution: 763 500 EUR

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BACKGROUND. Increases in the level of freight traffic can have an important influence on the economic prosperity of a region. However, this traffic also brings problems such as traffic jams, pollution and increased land use. Due to insufficient contact between public authorities and stakeholders in the logistics industry, such as businesses and universities, there is often a lack of understanding regarding the structure and organisation of freight transport. This can lead to the implementation of inefficient transport policies. By increasing cooperation between key players, public authorities would be better able to initiate and process projects on a regional and interregional level in order to improve logistic services and infrastructure.

OVERALL OBJECTIVE. ENLoCC focuses primarily on improving interregional cooperation of transport logistics on a European level by establishing cooperation between Logistics Competence Centres throughout Europe in an open network. The operation aims to assess good and bad practice in order to implement problem-solving procedures.

Partnership: Competence Centre Logistics Kornwestheim GmbH (Baden-Württemberg, DE); Emilia Romagna Region (Emilia Romagna, IT); Carinthian Government, Department of Infrastructure (Kärnten, AT); Institute of Logistics and Warehousing (Wielkopolskie, PL)

EXPECTED RESULTS. ENLoCC will develop new approaches for European logistics education and the establishment of a European logistics information platform. By producing reports on best practice, ENLoCC will be able to advise both existing Logistical Competence Centres and help to found new ones. The operation will also establish innovative pilot projects for interregional transport logistics in and between regions. This will result in a new economic and political dimension in the area of European logistics by bringing together regions, and in particular their regional and local authorities, and commercial key players responsible for logistics and goods

transportation. This cooperation will help to produce new traffic solutions, for example, reductions in emission levels and traffic congestion.

MAREMA Best Practice in Managing Regional Management

Topic for cooperation: Interreg programmes

Themes of cooperation: Regional Planning, Territorial Regeneration and Urban Development

Duration: April 2003 - June 2005

Total budget: 1 275 587 EUR

ERDF contribution: 685 086 EUR

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Partnership: Office of the Tyrolian Government, EU Regional Policy Dept. (AT); Autonomous Province of Bozen, Department for European Integration (Alto-Adige, IT); Province of Belluno (Veneto, IT); Province of Frosinone (Lazio, IT); Friuli Venezia Giulia Region (Friuli Venezia Giulia, IT); Rural Space Muehlenkreis (Nordrhein-Westfalen, DE); Regional Agency for Environmental Protection Baden Wurttemberg (DE); BSC Business Support Centre Ltd. Kranj (SI); Moy Valley Resources. I.R.D. North Mayo - West Sligo Ltd (IE); Kaunas Regional Development Agency (LT); County Administrative Board of Värmland (Norra Mellansverige, SE); County of Hedmark (NO)

BACKGROUND. The operation "MAREMA: Best Practice in Managing Regional Management" aims to identify good practices in the governance of regional development with the final objective of improving regional organisational structures and processes. In this context, the project focuses on the special needs of three types of regions: 1. Cross-border regions; 2. Regions with dominant restrictions, e.g. large protected areas; and 3. Regions with the need to build or rebuild Regional Management-structures.

OVERALL OBJECTIVE. The overall objective of the operation is to build new or improve existing Regional Management (RM) structures and to develop best practice for 3 types of regions in and outside the EU. Improvements will focus on organisational and thematic issues, as well as on the contribution of RM to sustainable regional development, especially in regions with large protected areas such as NATURA 2000 sites or national parks. More specifically, the project plans to: 1. find a common understanding of strengths and weaknesses of RM structures and define the state-of-the-art of RM in Europe; 2. develop options for RM organisation structures; 3. identify topics of interest that will be implemented by those structures in the future; 4. elaborate concepts for RM organisation structures, including the creation of development funds; 5. identify measures to strengthen the role of RM as a co-ordinator of sustainable regional development; 6. identify key actors and decision makers in regional management; 7. initiate the implementation of the new structures.

EXPECTED RESULTS. The operation will result in an increased level of know-how of the partnership, as well as improved co-ordination between public and private

actors in the partner regions. It will result in improved RM structures in the EU and the new Member States including stronger cross-border networks. As regards the project focus on protected areas, the project will result in a greater awareness of relevant actors and specific proposals on development options for protected areas.

RECORA - Renewable Energy Cooperation of Rural Areas

Programme zone / Zone de programme:

East / Est

Type / Type

Individual Project / Projet Individuel

Topic / Thème

Other appropriate subjects / Autres sujets appropriés

Problem description / Description du problème ciblé par le projet

Renewable energy sources such as biomass, biogas, landfill gas, wind, and geothermal energy constitute cost-effective and environmentally sound ways to meet energy demands. Many regions, however, are not yet fully exploiting their renewable energy potential due -for the most part- to tight budgets and associated difficulties in developing economically viable solutions. To develop viable solutions, local and regional authorities need ready-to-use concepts to assess, design, and implement renewable energy projects and to connect producers of renewables (e.g., farmers, communal waste management companies) to consumers (e.g., businesses, industry, greenhouses) in an effective and sustainable manner.

Overall objective / Objectif général de l'opération

“RECORA - Renewable Energy Cooperation of Rural Areas” focuses on the development of practical guidelines and tools to assess, plan, and implement viable renewable energy projects. RECORA partners unite regional key players (e.g., farmers, entrepreneurs, investors, and regional policy makers) in order to promote renewable energy, share information on legal, administrative, financial and economic requirements, and identify the key parameters for successful renewable energy projects.

Expected results / Résultats attendus

RECORA communicates state-of-the-art organisational, financial and technological practices and encourages decision makers to explore renewable energy potentials. It helps create regional and local networks of suppliers of renewables such as farmers, communal waste management and forestry companies and supports the generation of additional income. Furthermore, it supports businesses in the development of innovative products and services for the renewable energy sector and Activities include the elaboration of a comparative study on the legal, administrative, financial and economic requirements. Partners develop generic guidelines for the operation of renewable energy plants, including a model business plan, model feasibility study. In each participating regions, partners also initiate Local Focus Groups to support the strategic planning process and to adapt business plans to the regional needs. Partners also establish a permanent showroom of small-scale demonstration models for renewable energy facilities to promote renewables and communicate benefits.

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CORINNA - Cooperation of Regions for Innovation

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Type / Type

Individual Project / Projet Individuel

Topic / Thème

Border regions operations / Opérations régions frontalières

Problem description / Description du problème ciblé par le projet

The operation "Corinna - Cooperation of Regions for Innovation" focuses on intensifying cross-border co-operation in the field of technology and innovation along the borders of Italy, Slovenia, Austria and Hungary. Recent studies of these regions show strong potential for capitalizing on development opportunities through cross-border cooperation in particular in the field of research, development and innovation. Yet these studies also testify barriers for finding the "right partners" on administrative and policy levels and on company level.

Overall objective / Objectif général de l'opération

The project aims to remove barriers to cooperation through 1) establishing cross-border networks 2) increasing the mutual knowledge of the partner regions' innovation systems, policies and strategies, 3) identifying best practices to promote regional innovation capabilities and 4) developing specific co-operation projects with common focus areas.

Expected results / Résultats attendus

The operation helps improving the partner regions' capacities and policies for technology development and regional innovation. As a prerequisite for stronger cross-border co-operations, the operation provides easily accessible information on the strengths, competencies and innovation systems of the participating regions to companies and the wider public. Activities include the joint development of a guide book on innovation policy practices and the elaboration of joint policy recommendations based on a series of workshops and seminars. Workshops cover issues such as innovation policy, strategy development and policy benchmarking. Partners also implement a number of instruments to address barriers to interregional cooperation of technology-oriented firms and research institutions, such as an interregional database of RTD organizations.

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Activities / achievements so far

Main activities of the first period - financed by one percent of the operation's budget - were (1) the redefinition of the work programme asked for by the funding authority, (2) the project kick-off and the elaboration of the consortium contract and (3) the preparation of the 1st public event, the 'Presentation Day for Crossborder R&D and Production Cooperation for Energy from Biomass' on 8 April in Güssing, Burgenland. The first period - which was outside the original work plan - served to consolidate the project team and to establish team processes. Furthermore, the partners approached administrative and governmental innovation policy stakeholders to win external steering committee members that may act as disseminators of the project goals. Outputs: Redefined application. 1 project start-up meeting (15 Oct. in Klagenfurt); 1 telephone conference on Presentation Day (10 Nov.); 1 detailed work plan & design for the Presentation Day; 1 draft of partnership agreement (distr. on 28 Dec.)

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