

OUTPUT FACT SHEET

Pilot actions (including investment, if applicable)

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Summary description of the pilot action (including investment, if applicable) explaining its experimental nature, demonstration character and transnational added value

The main challenge addressed by the pilot action is to prepare a regional Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP). There are SUMP at local, municipal level, but the regional approach is new (the FUA concept). The objectives are to set the regional coordinating structure for mobility planning with the aim to plan the measures which foster the change of travel habits. These measures are derived from targets and priorities and altogether they represent SUMP. This contributes to the project's objectives as they are "to promote and adopt at the institutional level concerned the concept of Functional Urban Area as the most appropriate to face on sustainable basis the urban commuting. The SUMP has been methodologically developed together with project partners (the inland group), while priorities, targets and measures were set regionally. The transnational added value in this process is represented by transnational cooperation in the process of drafting the SUMP. We were able to learn from each other and were cooperating in 2 groups: coastal and inland regions. Its experimental and demonstration character is in the above mentioned: it represents the new approach of regional collaboration in the field of SUMP drafting.

NUTS region(s) concerned by the pilot action (relevant NUTS level)

We created a functional urban region regarding commuting flows and it consists of 11 municipalities (Velenje, Šoštanj, Šmartno ob Paki, Slovenj Gradec, Mislinja, Dobrna, Celje, Žalec, Polzela, Nazarje, Mozirje). It is not a formal region and consists of 2 parts of regions at the NUTS 3 level (part of Savinjska and Koroška region).

Investment costs (EUR), if applicable

Pilot action does not include investment.

Expected impact and benefits of the pilot action for the concerned territory and target groups and leverage of additional funds (if applicable)

The result of pilot action is the coordinating structure that is set and where the implementation of measures can be agreed and commonly planned. The document itself is also the result and it can be the base for allocation of ERDF funds for implementation of measures. The coordinating structure and a plan is a base for common reactions to change the travel habits and therefore lowering the CO2 emissions. All the population benefits from these as there are better infrastructural conditions, promotional campaigns and improvements in existing and newly implemented services forseen. It has led to an uptake at policy or institutional level as problems tackled are better known and have now been included in different programmes, plans, and strategies. It can be leverage for additional funds where SUMP is obligatory strategic plan before implementation of some measure.

Sustainability of the pilot action results and transferability to other territories and stakeholders

When the projects ends there is a basis for further regional approach set. The SUMP can be adopted at the contributing municipalities and can be upgraded in following years. This output can be transfered to other regions as well. At the moment there are 2 similar pilots in Slovenia and The ministry for infrastructure is preparing The regional SUMP guidelines. We have already made a contact and will exchange also our experience in this regional approach. All included stakeholders can benefit from implementing of the measures in this output, especially large employers, schools, hospitals, cultural and touristic institutions. Lessons learned are that regional approach is a demanding task and only with cooperation of all stakeholders we can have the good result. The cooperation has to continue also in implementing of the SUMP.

If applicable, contribution to/ compliance with:

- relevant regulatory requirements
- sustainable development - environmental effects. In case of risk of negative effects, mitigation measures introduced
- horizontal principles such as equal opportunities and non-discrimination

SUMP has been complied with relevant regulatory requirements. The contribution on terms of sustainable development is huge as one of the main characteristics of SUMP in sustainability: we are trying to lower the use of fossil fuels and to encourage people to take part in active mobility (impacts on health) etc. There is no risk that the pilot action has negative environmental effects. Horizontal principles have been respected by taking care that measures set include the needs of different groups of people and by inviting them to all events.

References to relevant deliverables (e.g. pilot action report, studies), investment factsheet and web-links

If applicable, additional documentation, pictures or images to be provided as annex

The main relevant projects deliverables are:

D.T3.2.1 Joint elaboration of s SUMP at FUA level in Velenje, Szolnok, Weiz, Hranice

The main relevant deliverables can be found at the website <https://www.velenje.si/uprava-organi-obcine/11208>

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