

Project Title

Recreation Park of 'Lugina e Shërimit' ('Healing Valley')

Project Type

Public Services

Project Location

Municipality of Peshkopi, Commune of Melan, Commune of Tomin

Total Pre-Estimated Budget

150,000 Euro

Project Background and Analysis

The town of Peshkopi with 20,000 inhabitants is short of green public spaces and recreation parks, although it is situated in a favourable geographic position near the Valley of 'Përroi i Llixhave' ('Spa Stream'-famous for thermal waters of curative values), surrounded by hills of natural monumental beauties, bearing the ruins of old churches and monasteries (from which the name Peshkopi derives).

Numerous visitors and patients of Spa Thermal Facilities (some 12,000 visitors and patients every year), together with citizens of Peshkopi, young boys and girls passionate of hobbies of walking, running, playing, and spending their free time in green parks, have no such real opportunities in Peshkopi.

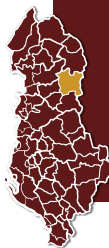
The Valley of 'Përroi i Peshkopisë' is suitable to be transformed in a recreation park, because it is close to the town and has the necessary spaces together with natural and historic attractions. The extension of this area within the natural park Korab-Korritnik and the benefits of all citizen of local government units of Melan, Tomin and Peshkopi, are a very good legal and institutional opportunity to establish such a recreation park in this area.

Specific Objectives of the Project

General Objective: Improvement of life quality of Peshkopi inhabitants through the establishment of cultural and recreation facilities.

Specific Objective: Establishment by the end of 2019, of a recreation park of 'Lugina e Shërimit' in Peshkopi surroundings, with a surface area of 50 hectares, with benches and green parks, related paths for walking and running, together with the archaeological park of the ruins of churches, with sport fields and facilities, as well as other service facilities.

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Expected Results and Project Indicators

Expected Result 1: 300 families from Llixha (Spa) neighbourhood area are aware of and engaged for the removal of walls of their houses along the main road and their replacement with green fences of trees and plants.

Expected Result 2: Creation of a natural recreation environment properly arranged and suitable with benches, 10 hectares of forest, and 8 km of paths for walking and running.

Expected Result 3: Establishment of sport facilities with football, basketball, volleyball tracks and other mountain climbing facilities.

Expected Result 4: Restoration and making available for visitors the archaeological park of ruins of Peshkopi churches.

Project Activities

Meetings with citizens of Llixha (Spa) neighbourhood;
Removal of yards and walls and building green fences with trees and plants;
Path structure construction;
Forest cleaning and planting new trees and plants;
Placement of benches and green areas;
Construction of sports facilities;
Promotion of the project.

Project Maturity

Municipality of Peshkopi has a feasibility study on the recreation park designed by an expert group. Also, during 2013-2014 the study plan is prepared for the park 'Korab-Korritnik', part of which is the recreation park of 'Lugina e Shërimit'. However, the total technical project is not yet completed in detail. This means that a working group with experts of relevant areas has to be established.

Financial Resources and Implementation Partners

The future Municipality will be the main responsible stakeholder for this project. It will design and implement the plan for recreation park, to be part of municipality services. It will be also responsible for the park maintenance and management, which will be part of the municipality budget. For this project, the Municipality will cooperate with the community and NGO-s, with main focus on environmental issues.

Project Cost

Total cost of the project is 150,000 Euro.