PROJECT 5



Project Title

Systematization of Lake coast and adaptation into a touristic point

Project Type

Environmental/Touristic

Project Location

Kukës Functional Area

Total Pre-Estimated Budget

150.000 Euro

Project Background and Analysis

Fierza Lake is the biggest artificial lake in the country. It was created in 1978, on Drin river for Fierza HEC development. It serves as a joint node among Kukës, Has and Tropojë. This lake, besides exploitation of the energy industry, has also got a touristic function. It surrounds the town of Kukës from three sides, creating the impression of a peninsula. Being proclaimed Regional Natural Park, it is important that the lake be used in the most efficient way, so that it can have dual benefit. Systemizing the coast is a first step that serves well to the good management. This is as such, because in summer, the coast is used by local residents for medical tourism and fishing. Also, along the coast, there are also family businesses that offer a pleasant rest and traditional organic food.

There is currently an increasing request to visit this natural potential unused by the inhabitants, as well as an added interest by the local government to transformit into a tourist destination.

Specific Objectives of the Project

SO1: To transform the Lake coast into a clean, beautiful and peaceful location, and over all to transform it into a touristic destination.

SO2: To return the Lake coast to the service of the community, impacting the increase in number of small businesses that operate in the area of sailing, fishing, small services, etc.

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Expected Results and Project Indicators

R1: The area at the Lake coast has become nicer and more attractive to tourism

R2: Greater opportunities for local small businesses to exercise their activities

R3: Increase in number of visitors and tourists

R4: Increase in revenues with 15 %

Project Activities

- 1. Setting the coast line for touristic destination and study of allowable interventions
- 2. Provision with necessary objects and tools
- 3. Filling in the coast with beach sand
- 4. Purchase of small touristic boats
- 5. Signing of cooperation agreement among partners
- 6. Design and publication of 2000 leaflets
- 7. Publication in visual media

The project is thought to be implemented in a 2 year period.

Project Maturity

There are no previous studies in this direction. Initially, there is a need for a meeting with stakeholders and inhabitants living close to the Fierza lake, to inform them and have their opinions. Later, a study should be carried out, which should be in the framework of management plan of Fierza Lake, as a Regional Natural Park. This study should define the intervention types, such as: businesses, exploitation areas for medical tourism, protected areas etc.

Financial Resources and Implementation Partners

There no identified sources yet.

The project will be implemented by:

- Regional Development Agency of Kukës.
- Council of Kukës Qark
- Kukës Municipality

Project Cost

Setting the coast line for touristic destination and study of allowable interventions 20,000€;

Provision with necessary objects and tools 70,000€;

Filling the coast line with beach sand 40.000€:

Purchase of small touristic boats 16,000€;

Signing of cooperation agreement among partners 0€;

Design and Publication of 2000 leaflets 2.000€:

Publication in visual media 2.000€.