



Project Title

Identification and Rehabilitation of Sterile Waste and carriers generated from mining activity

Project Type

Environmental

Project Location

Bicaj

Total Pre-Estimated Budget

200,000 Euro

Project Background and Analysis

The situation created since before the 1990 from the mining activities in Gjegjan and the exploitation of carbonate sands in Bicaj Commune is serious. After the change of the system, a very negative situation with substantial environmental impacts was created in these two mineral sources. This situation was also created as a result of the creation of sterile slag brands of the Copper Smelting Plant in Rexhepaj (Shtiqën commune), which impacts the pollution of Fierza Lake waters.

Another huge concern is the exploitation of mineral-bearing areas after 1997 and onwards by unlicensed persons. The exploitation of carriers is carried out by private entities and persons, without having the appropriate qualification in the majority of cases and without implementing projects and programmes that accompany the licenses/permits.

Frequently the carriers are only holes or diggings with irregular contours, with no steps, without complying with the exploitation system envisaged in projects, and what is more worrisome, without taking any measures for the regeneration of the environment.

Main Objectives of the Project

Promotion of the effective exploitation of carbonate carrier in order to support the development of the construction industry in the region and ensure the environment protection.

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OS1: To disclose information on the current situation created due to the exploitation of minerals in Region of Kukës

OS2: To draft a technical report for addressing the issue

OS3: To restore the areas damaged from the mining activity into pollution-free areas in the surrounding environment.

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Expected Results and Project Indicators

- R1: The inhabitants of the intervention areas will live in better and safer environmental conditions
R2: Central and Local Governments will have the necessary information for rehabilitating interventions
R3: There will be an awareness raising of businesses operating in mining industry as regards the environmental protection

Project Activities

1. Field expeditions and observations to become acquainted with damaged areas.
 2. Analysis of field taken evidence.
 3. Meeting with stakeholders.
 4. Rehabilitation of more priority damaged areas.
 5. Campaign to raise the awareness of licensed companies about the environmental protection in compliance with the legislation in force.
- The Project is thought to be implemented within a 2-year period.

Project Maturity

N/A

Financial Resources and Implementation Partners

- Project will be implemented by:
- Regional Development Agency of Kukës.
 - Regional Council of Kukës
 - Municipality of Kukës

Project Cost

Field expeditions and observations to become acquainted with the damaged areas. 30,000€;
Analysis of field taken evidence. 10,000€;
Meeting with stakeholders. 10,000€;
Rehabilitation of more priority damaged areas. 140,000€;
Campaign to raise the awareness of licensed companies about the environmental protection in compliance with the legislation in force. 10,000€.