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3rd Steering Committee Meeting hosted by Larnaca District Development Agency, Cyprus on Wednesday 23rd of January 2013.

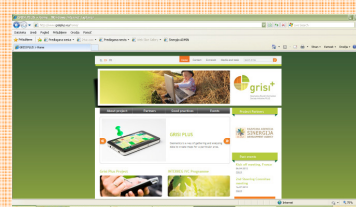
The Grisi+ 3rd Steering Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday the 23rd of January, gathering all the project partners at the premises of the Environmental Information Centre of Larnaca Mountainous Area in the village of Skarinou, Larnaca. It was hosted and organized by the Larnaca District Development Agency during the 3rd Consortium Meeting of the Grisi+ Project, taking place for the 22nd to the 24th of January 2013. The agenda of the Steering Committee included discussions upon the 3 Project Components. Regarding **Component 1 Management and Coordination**: partners discussed about tasks undertaken and results achieved during the 2nd semester, tasks to be carried out and results to be achieved during the 3rd semester, financial issues, progress of the 2nd financial report and upcoming meetings of the partners. Regarding **Component 2 Communication**: partners discussed about tasks undertaken and results achieved during the 2nd semester, tasks to be carried out and results to be achieved during the 3rd semester, organization of dissemination events and discussion about where the final conference in September 2014 will be held. Regarding **Component 3 Exchanges of good practices**: partners discussed about tasks undertaken and results achieved during the 2nd semester, tasks to be carried out and results to be achieved during the 3rd semester, discussion on the implementation of the GP and the elaboration of the implementation plans and a session on how to transfer and implement a good practice and on how to elaborate an action plan. The meeting ended with conclusions upon the 2nd Steering Committee.

23. januarja 2013 je v Okoljsko-informacijskem centru gorskega območja Larnaka, v vasi Skarinou na Cipru, potekala 3. seja usmerjevalnega odbora GRISI PLUS. Gostitelj in organizator projektnega sestanka je bila Razvojna agencija Larnaka. Namen srečanja usmerjevalnega odbora je bila razprava o treh delovnih sklopih projekta. **Prvi delovni sklop obsega menedžment in koordinacijo**: partnerji so razpravljali o opravljenih nalogah in doseženih rezultatih v drugem semestru, o aktivnostih k jih bo potrebno izvajati v tretjem semestru, finančnih vprašanjih ter o prihodnjih srečanjih partnerjev. **Drugi delovni sklop zajema komunikacijo**: partnerji so razpravljali o izvedenih nalogah in doseženih rezultatih v drugem semestru, o nalogah, ki sledijo ter doseženih rezultatih v tretjem semestru. Na razpravi so partnerji določili tudi lokacijo zadnje konference, ki bo septembra 2014 v Sloveniji. **Tretji delovni sklop zajema izmenjavo dobrih praks**: partnerji so razpravljali o izvedenih nalogah in doseženih rezultatih v drugem semestru ter o nalogah, ki sledijo v tretjem semestru. Govora je bilo o implementaciji dobrih praks, oblikovanju načrta izvajanja ter o tem, kako prenesti in implementirati dobre prakse ter kako oblikovati akcijski plan.

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Good Practice presented during the 3rd Consortium Meeting in Cyprus - "Walking trails to the environmental and cultural reserves of Crete-Cyprus-Lesvos "acronym" WALKING TRAILS"

During the 1st Day of the Consortium Meeting held at the premises of the Environmental Information Centre of Larnaca Mountainous Area in the village of Skarinou, Larnaca, Dr. Eudokia Balamou Manager of the European Projects Team of Larnaca District Development Agency, presented to the Grisi+ partners a good practice implemented in Cyprus named **"Walking trails to the environmental and cultural reserves of Crete-Cyprus-Lesvos "acronym" WALKING TRAILS"**. The vision of this good practice is the innovative approach to the use of environmental and cultural resources of the areas of intervention with actions aimed at quality, competitiveness and openness through a strong structure for cooperation and networking. Objectives include the rational use and management of natural environmental resources with respect to the carrying capacity of intervention areas, promotion of the island's rural areas as a pole of attraction, strengthening the development prospects of special interest tourism, cultural and walking tourism, etc. Some of the expected results from implementing this good practice are: Creating trails (walking, cycling, car) which combine the natural and cultural environment of the areas under study, Creating educational and thematic packages to achieve strengthening of the "green" consciousness and corporate responsibility in businesses, Creating transnational applications (using GIS-GPS technologies) - transnational portal, android apps that will give information about the trails, making these areas more attractive to tourists regarding the information that will be given for the environment and culture, etc.

Predstavitev dobrih praks na 3. srečanju konzorcija na Cipru – "Pohodne poti do okoljskih in kulturnih rezervatov Kreta-Ciper-Lesbos" oziroma "POHODNE POTI"

Prvi dan srečanja Konzorcija, ki je potekalo v prostorih Okoljsko-informacijskega centra gorskega območja Larnaka v vasi Skarinou, je dr. Eudokia Balamou, vodja evropskega projektne tima iz Razvojne agencije Larnaca, predstavil partnerjem GRISI PLUS dobro prakso, ki se izvaja na Cipru in so jo poimenovali **»Pohodne poti do okoljskih in kulturnih rezervatov Kreta-Ciper-Lesbos«** oziroma **"POHODNE POTI"**. Njihova vizija je inovativni pristop z vključitvijo okoljskih in kulturnih virov območja z ukrepi, ki so usmerjeni v kakovostno, konkurenčno in odprto delovanje, v povezavi z močno strukturo sodelovanja in mreženja. Cilji vključujejo racionalno uporabo in upravljanje naravnih virov, s spoštovanjem do zmožnosti, ki jih premore področje, promocijo podeželskih delov otoka kot turistično zanimivih območij, okrepitev razvoja turizma (kulturni, pohodniški in podobni turizem). Predstavljeno je bilo nekaj pričakovanih rezultatov po izvedbi dobre prakse: ustvarjene poti (pohodne, kolesarske, avtomobilske), ki združujejo naravno in kulturno okolje projektne področja, vzpostavitev izobraževalnih in tematskih paketov, ki okrepijo »zeleno« zavest in korporativno odgovornost podjetij, vzpostavitev transnacionalnih aplikacij (uporaba GIS-GPS tehnologij) – transnacionalni portal, android aplikacija, ki bo nudila informacije o poteh in naredila to območje bolj zanimivo za turiste z informacijami o naravnih in kulturnih znamenitostih.



Photos of dissemination event In Cyprus organized in January 2013



Dissemination event in Latvia

On February 12, GRISI PLUS project dissemination seminar "Geomatic tools for municipal development" was held in Vecpiebalga municipality, and it gathered chairmen, territorial development planning specialists, and other parties from several municipalities. Ms Mudite Priede, GRISI PLUS project manager from the Latvian Association of Local and Regional Governments (LALRG), outlined project aims and main activities, emphasizing the need to facilitate economic development in rural territories, attract local entrepreneurs and to promote identification of local products based on *One village – one product* concept which was elaborated in Japan in order to promote awareness of farm produce and facilitate employment thus preventing migration of young citizens to urban areas. Ms Mudite Priede also stressed that "the seminar venue is not chosen unintentionally since Vecpiebalga municipality is well-known in Latvia for its culture and historical heritage, waterlilies and porcelain". In its turn, Ms Rita Merca, representative of Vidzeme Planning region, introduced project activities implemented during year 2012. Mr Jānis Kaminskis, project expert, head of Geomatics Faculty of Riga Technical University, analysed the course of geomatics development in Latvia, future perspectives and solutions, as well as application of geomatic tools in self-governments. Ms Anda Eihenbauma, spatial development planning specialist at Vidzeme Planning Region introduced geomatics best practice examples from Vidzeme presented within the framework of the project: 1) Kocēni spatial planning information system which increase capacity of territorial planning and favour qualitative and efficient territorial development planning process in Kocēni municipality, and 2) Vidzeme region public transport simulation system which aims to provide qualitative public transport services thus improving citizens' access to education, health, public administration, and other services. Vidzeme region plans to transfer best practice example from project partner Galway county (Ireland) and in cooperation with Vidzeme Food Cluster create a special portal "Made in Vidzeme" for promotion of local products and services. The seminar assembled a large number of participants, and self-government representatives will apply the knowledge in development of their self-governments.

Diseminacijski dogodek v Latviji

Seminar, "Gematična orodja za razvoj občin", se je odvijal v okviru projekta GRISI PLUS, 12. februarja 2013 v občini Vecpiebalga (Latvija). Prisotni so bili predsednik, strokovnjak razvojnega načrtovanja ter drugi predstavniki občin. Ga. Mudite Priede, vodja projekta GRISI PLUS iz latvijskega Združenja lokalnih in regionalnih vlad (LALRG), je predstavila cilje projekta in glavne aktivnosti, s poudarkom na pospeševanju gospodarskega razvoja na podeželju, privabljanju lokalnih podjetnikov ter promociji lokalnih izdelkov po konceptu »Ena vas - en produkt«, ki je bil razvit na Japonskem z namenom ozaveščanja o kmetijskih pridelkih. Pomemben cilj je spodbujanje zaposlovanja, ker bi pripomogli k manjši migraciji mladih v urbana območja. Ga. Mudite Priede je prav tako izpostavila, da je kraj srečanja namerno v Vecpiebalgi, ki je v prepoznaven po bogati kulturni in zgodovinski dediščini ter lokvanjih in porcelanu«. Ga. Rita Merca, predstavnica organizacije Vidzeme Planning Region, je predstavila projektne aktivnosti, ki so bile izvedene v letu 2012. G. Jānis Kaminskis, strokovnjak za projekte, vodja Fakultete za geomatiko Tehnične univerze v Rigi, pa potek razvoja geomatike v Latviji, perspektivo tega področja, nove rešitve ter aplikacije geomatskih orodjih v samoupravi. Ga. Anda Eihenbauma, strokovnjakinja s področja prostorskega načrtovanja in razvoja iz organizacije Vidzeme Planning Region, je predstavila dobre prakse geomatike iz Vidzeme, ki so del projekta in sicer (1) Prostorsko-informacijski sistem Kocēni, ki povečuje zmoglosti teritorialnega načrtovanja ter omogoča kvaliteten in učinkovit proces teritorialnega razvoja in načrtovanja v občini Kocēni; (2) simulacija javnega prevoza v regiji Vidzeme, ki omogoča kvalitetno storitev javnega prostora, s čimer se omogoči lažja dostopnost prebivalcev do izobraževalnih, zdravstvenih in drugih javnih ustanov. Regija Vidzeme načrtuje prenos dobrih praks od projektne partnerjeve iz območja Galway (Irska) v sodelovanju z organizacijo Vidzeme Food Cluster. Ustvariti želijo posebni portal »Narejeno v Vidzeme«, ki bi promoviral lokalne izdelke in storitve. Seminarja se je udeležilo veliko posameznikov, med njimi so bili tudi predstavniki samouprave, ki bodo pridobljeno znanje prenesli v razvoj svojega delovanja.



Foto utrinki iz diseminacijskega dogodka v Latviji



V Sloveniji bo GRISI PLUS diseminacijski dogodek organiziran v maju 2013.

O datumu in lokaciji dogodka
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