INTERREG IVC PROJECT

REGIONAL COOPERATION TOWARDS ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

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<th><strong>Project Title:</strong></th>
<th>Regional cooperation towards Climate Change Adaptation</th>
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<td><strong>Acronym:</strong></td>
<td>“RegioClima”</td>
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<td><strong>Type of Intervention:</strong></td>
<td>Regional Initiative Project</td>
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<td><strong>Programme:</strong></td>
<td>Interreg IVC (1st Call for Proposals)</td>
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<td><strong>Priority:</strong></td>
<td>2: Environment and risk prevention</td>
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<td><strong>Sub-theme:</strong></td>
<td>Natural and technological risks (including climate change)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Budget:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Duration:</strong></td>
<td>36 Months (Starting Date: 01.10.2008)</td>
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THE PARTNERSHIP

1) Larnaca District Development Agency (Lead Partner)  
CYPRUS
1) Veneto Regional Authority  
ITALY
1) Fundación Comunidad Valenciana – Region Europea  
SPAIN
1) Estonian Marine Institute, University of Tartu  
ESTONIA
1) Bratislava Self-Governing Region  
SLOVAKIA
1) Pays d'Aubagne et de l'Etoile urban communities  
FRANCE
2) Region of Crete  
GREECE
1) Regional Agency for Entrepreneurship and Innovations – Varna  
BULGARIA

Partners during the kick-off meeting in Cyprus, March 2009
PROJECT SCOPE & OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of the project is:
To assist societies to adapt to the new climate conditions, by both minimizing the risk of damage and exploiting the new opportunities arising from a changing climate.

Objectives:
➢ To enhance cooperation among selected EU regions towards facilitating the elaboration of climate change adaptation strategies and the implementation of policy guidelines.
➢ To assist regional authorities in understanding the opportunities and threats arising from a changing climate.
➢ To develop capacities within the regional authorities to facilitate the implementation of climate change adaptation measures.
➢ To coordinate regional and local initiatives with EU and Member States action.
➢ To support regional and local authorities in raising awareness and implementing climate change adaptation measures.
PROJECT ACTION

Action is structured in four components:

- Management and coordination
- Communication and dissemination
- Exchange of experiences
- Policy formulation
PROJECT OUTPUTS (1)

- A kick-off meeting & 16 Public Information meetings (regionally hosted launch/closing events connected through e-conference tools)
- A Good Practice guide for regional authorities and a Layman’s booklet on best adaptation practices
- A mini-documentary on adaptation strategies and best practices
- A project brochure (8,000 copies) and a six-monthly project e-newsletter
- 2 central and 16 regional events in DG Regio/CoR “Open Days”
- 4 series of Joint thematic seminars and workshops
- A web-portal for information exchange and e-cooperation on Climate change adaptation
PROJECT OUTPUTS (2)

- 32 brief biannual regional reports on coordination with other regional policies / integration of adaptation strategies
- 3 Climate change adaptation strategies (North / Central / South Europe) and a consolidated adaptation strategy report
- A networking event for policy makers
- 7 Progress reports (as per the programme’s reporting periods), 8 Internal audit reports (one per project partner, to be elaborated on an on-going basis and delivered at the end of the project), 48 external audit reports (six per project partner, delivered together with the Progress reports; for progress reports 6 & 7, a combined audit report will be provided per project partner), as well as a Final project report
EXPECTED RESULTS (1)

The project action is expected to result in:

- Raised awareness about the need to adapt to a changing climate, among citizens, policy makers, and other stakeholders across EU regions, including academic/research institutions and the private sector.

- Regional authorities in at least 8 countries, with sufficient capacity to facilitate the implementation of climate change adaptation strategies and best practices into sectoral policies and legislation.

- EU Regions with widely developed capacities that enable them to minimise risk and maximise benefits from a changing climate adaptation measures, in terms of trained and experienced staff, policy tools at strategic level and draft policies.

- An EU-wide regional network for cooperation on climate change adaptation at both strategic (policy) and operational (implementation) levels.
EXPECTED RESULTS (2)

In the short-term:
- The need to adapt to a changing climate is broadly understood across EU regions as an issue of high priority, by citizens, policy makers, and other stakeholders including academic/research institutions and the private sector.
- Regional authorities in the 8 participating countries, have identified the required resources and capacities and have set up a mechanism (incl. among other trained and experienced staff, policy tools at strategic level and draft policies) to facilitate adaptation to climate change.
- An EU-wide regional network for cooperation on climate change adaptation at both strategic (policy) and operational (implementation) levels, is set up. Initially it will comprise the 8 participating regions, with a view to expand in more EU regions.

In the long term:
- Climate change adaptation strategies and best practices are integrated into sectoral policies and legislation.
- EU Regions have widely developed capacities that enable them to minimise risk and maximise benefits from a changing climate.
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