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e-MOPOLI: What has recently happened in e-MOPOLI?

12-14th June 2019 - Fourth learning workshop, round table and field visit in Bled

Regional Development Agency of Gorenjska, BSC, Business Support Centre, Ltd, Kranj organised the fifth partners' event of e-MOPOLI project, in the municipality Bled, in Slovenia. The event combined partners meeting, interregional learning workshop including introductions of national policies for promotion of sustainable mobility, addressing mobility on alternative fuels, RIS3 thematic, strategic development innovation partnership in the field of mobility and e-mobility research, innovation and training. From the thematic of market take-up several good practices were introduced. The interregional learning workshop was followed by round table discussion among the guests from the government, strategic partnership, research institution, electro distributor and representatives of business sector.



In the afternoon mid-term interregional public event, with a press conference was organised. The thematic of the public event was sharing the experience and vision of implementing alternative fuel vehicles in passenger public transport, by the regional passenger public transport company, presentation of the results of e-charging payment service promotion of e-biking and introduction of an e-car sharing system. A part of the event was also testing the electric vehicles: electric bikes from two companies, among which, one was introducing their own model and technology, e-rickshaw, from a Bulgarian producer, e-cars from the e-car sharing service and electric boat, again the result of Slovenian production and innovation.

Since mobility on alternative fuel is implemented on the ground, water and in the air, partnership went on a study visit, the next day, to the company of Pipistrel. Pipistrel company is known to develop and manufacture ultra light electric planes for up to 4 people currently, in Slovenia. In United States of America, the Pipistrel company is developing with Uber an elevating electric airplane.



The National Public Transportation Strategy and the past, present and future of electric vehicles in Slovenia was presented by the Matjaž Vrčko, manager Public Transportation Division, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Policy Directorate, Ministry of Infrastructure. Strategic R&D partnership was represented by Darko Levičar, Economic Interest Association Automotive Cluster Slovenia. Good practices from Car-sharing system, were introduced by Tomaž Kogoj, Avant2Go, e-bike sharing systems, Andrej Zalokar, Studio OREH, E-boating development - Simon Kulovec, Podkrižnik Ltd, E-mobility research, innovation and training, Andrej Pečjak, Metron. The topics of the round table were the Strategy and Action plan for the mobility on alternative fuels, incentives and aims for e-mobility and what needs to be improved from the technological point and policies to transit road passenger public traffic to AFV.

Technical contents: Sourcebook of good practices

During the last semester the Regional Sourcebook of Good Practices, a manual which contains 40 selected good practices from each partner and an indication of transferability of good practices into Regional Action Plans, was completed. Out of 54, 40 good practices were selected based on the current status (planned, ongoing or finished), policy level situation (federal, regional or local) and an equal distribution through the different themes of good practices. Based on the results of the Regional Context Analysis a transferability analysis was made to provide some kind of indication on the suitability of certain types of good practices within the respective partner regions. Once a region has decided on which types of good practices they want to focus, the sourcebook should be able to provide the needed inspiration by summing up the successfully implemented good practices from the other regions within that theme. Finally, the sourcebook emphasizes the importance of strategically combining policy measures, so that the effectiveness of one is reinforced by the other.

INTERREGIONAL POLICY LEARNING SOURCEBOOK OF GOOD PRACTICES

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Preliminary action plans

The key output of e-MOPOLI project is the development of action plans which will contribute in promoting electromobility and alternative fuels in the region of each project partners. In order to achieve this output nine regions from eight different European countries will exchange ideas, knowledge and policies already implemented that should be adopted, altered or avoided. The Region of Attica, in cooperation with the Department of Transportation Planning and Engineering of the National Technical University of Athens, is responsible for the formulation of the Action Plan, consisting of a set of actions that will contribute in the diffusion of electromobility and alternative fuels. The final version of the Action Plan template, presented in the partner meeting in Slovenia (June 2019) includes the following sections: General Information



for the Region, Policy Instrument description, Short description of the current situation of electromobility and of alternative fuels, the actions description and finally the declaration form. Concerning the actions description which is the core point of the Action Plan, information regarding the background of how the action derived, the timeframe, the objectives, the stakeholders involved, the indicative costs and funding sources, the activities, the bottlenecks/problems, the expected impact of the action (economic, environmental, territorial and e-Mobility) as well as the transferability potential of the action should be included. In the next steps, based on the Interregional Learning Process of the project which consists a core factor for the formulation of the action plan through the exchange of good practices among the project partners, the discussions and meetings, the field visits and the various project activities as well as the consultation with the regional stakeholders' group, each region will formulate a preliminary action plan which will contain the necessary that should be implemented in order to promote electromobility and use of alternative fuels.

Interview with Bucharest-Ilfov Regional Development Agency

Can you briefly describe the institution?

Bucharest-Ilfov Regional Development Agency (ADRBI) is a non-profit organization, with legal personality, for public utility, established in 1999 according to European directives, by Romanian Law 315/1999. The Agency's main objective is to develop the region by creating more jobs and economical development. In this respect the activities that are covered by ADRBI team are related to the implementation of European funded projects.

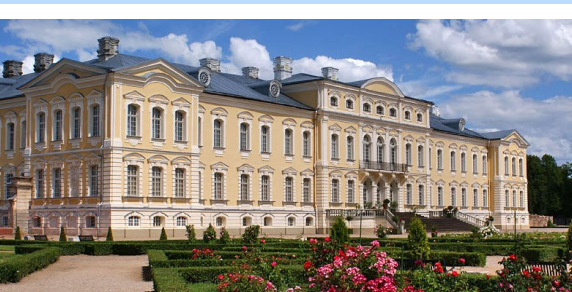
What is the role in the e-MOPOLI project of Bucharest-Ilfov Regional Development Agency?

According to our main objective of the Agency and to the project application form, our role in e-MOPOLI is to learn and analyze how to improve the deployment of sustainable mobility based on alternatives fuels in the Bucharest Ilfov region, thus contributing to reducing the CO2 footprint from urban areas. Considering our role, the project team acted like facilitators between public and private environment and also with the academia in order to identify the actual situation from the region regarding sustainable mobility and to promote the good practices identified. Based on these, the implementation team succeeded in gathering all important stakeholders from this domain with the purpose of creating a set of recommendations for improving the policies in this field. In this respect, as a result of the activities mentioned above, carried out by our team, we will be able to draw up the action plan, necessary for the improving of the policy instrument. Implementing this kind of actions we will be able to raise the awareness among the region's inhabitants and thus contributing to the regional development.



With what policy instrument does Bucharest-Ilfov Regional Development Agency manage its ambitions for alternative fuel mobility?

Based on an adequate management, the Agency is the Intermediate Body for the Regional Operational Program (REGIO) 2014-2020 at the level of the Bucharest-Ilfov region and fulfills the duties and responsibilities related to the implementation of it. According to the application form ADRBI will try to improve the Policy Instrument - Regional Operational Programme - by promoting our Action Plan to our Managing Institutions, so there will be possible that both, public and private sector to access financing lines for the development of the sustainable mobility, based on alternatives fuels in our region.



What is the role in the e-MOPOLI project of Zemgale Planning Region?

e-MOPOLI is the first project that directly promotes mobility issues in the region as there were no e-mobility projects so far. The project has an important role, as green transportation ideas were included in the energy action plan, but the e-MOPOLI project allows us to focus directly on the e-mobility plan. It is a great benefit that through this project we can learn the good practices of other European countries, adopt the ideas and make them useful for us. e-MOPOLI project helps to follow trends in Europe as it moves towards greener transport solutions. e-MOPOLI allows the Zemgale region, which is inseparable from the Latvian state, to see in Zemgale's section how we as a state can go along with the trends and to identify our strengths and weaknesses.

Interview with Zemgale Planning Region

Can you briefly describe the institution?

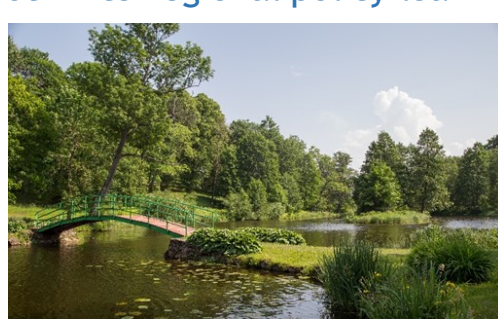
Zemgale Planning Region is an institution under the supervision of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development in the status of a derived public person. It brings together 22 municipalities, which after the regional reform cover five former districts. The task of the administration and its specialists is to plan and coordinate the development of the region, to establish its priorities and basic principles in the long term, since one of the key functions of the Planning Region is to develop and update the Development Programs and ensure their implementation.

Therefore, the Zemgale Planning Region not only plans and coordinates public transportation, cultural and vocational education activities, but also develops and implements regional and international projects that are relevant to Zemgale development priorities, based on local government recommendations and needs, aiming to cover the largest possible area.

With what policy instrument does Zemgale Planning Region manage its ambitions for alternative fuel mobility?

The main policy tool of Zemgale Planning Region is the regional development program. Zemgale Planning Region is developing an e-mobility action plan, which is an essential part of the development program. We apply an integrated planning system, which means that we are portraying national and local level priorities into our development program. The development program reflects the needs and priorities as well as solutions and lines of action. Zemgale Planning Region cooperated and received support from the stakeholders - Non-Emission Mobility Support Association, Latvian University of Agriculture, as well as various associations, organizations and institutions.

6th Interregional policy learning activities: 1-6 December, 2019, Zemgale Region (Latvia)

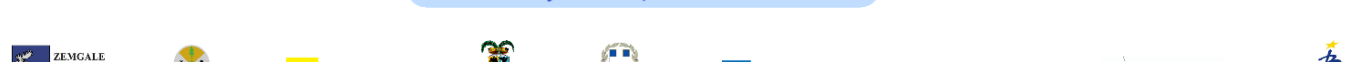


Within e-MOPOLI project (Interreg Europe Programme), co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), Zemgale Planning Region within the framework of the project activities will organize an international event for the promotion of e-mobility, which will take place on 1st-6th December in Zemgale region. The event will include meetings of project partners, stakeholders and other guests invited to this event.



During this event there will be national and regional level visits. On 3rd of December there will be a visit to the Ministry of Environment Protection and Regional Development to discuss engagement of the Ministry of Transport and Road Traffic Safety Board - Planning and Implementing EU funds related with e-mobility and CO2 emissions. Whereas during the regional visits at Jēkabpils, Jelgava and Tērvete alternative fuel usage, e-mobiles, e-mobility infrastructure and other subjects related to e-MOPOLI project will be examined.

Project partners



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