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The Region of Vlora





Presentation

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- 1- Role and function of institution
- 2- Potentials of area
- 3- Experiences in EU Programmes
- 4- Role in SAVE WATER Project

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- Based on the National law the functions of the Regional Council are the designing and implementation of regional policies in harmony with state policies at the regional level.
- The Regional Council is responsible for the identification and promotion of development strategies for the whole area.
- The Regional Council is a territorial and administrative unit comprises Municipalities with geographical, traditional, economical, social connections and common interests.
- The representative organism of the region is the Regional Council.



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The region of Vlore
(*in Albanian: Qarku i Vlorës*)
is one of **12** other regions
of Albanian territory.





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The Region of Vlore includes 7 municipalities:

Vlore, Saranda, Selenica, Himara, Finiqi, Delvina, Konispol.

The administrative center of region is in Vlore.

The total surface: 2706 km²

Population: 374,168

Terrestrial boundary: 54 km

River boundary: 75 km

The coastline length: 244 km

The distance North – South: 140 km

The distance East – West: 42 km





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The region is mainly mountainous and hilly and it contains meadows and valleys enabling the local population to make their living through the agricultural and livestock production.





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The coastal zone of Vlore region is one of the most beautiful one with a rich history and a broken variety relief with its diversity of forms had directly influenced the climate and the sort of the tourism phenomena.





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Vlora is noted for numerous natural resources, rich biodiversity and ecological corridors.

Ranks as among the areas with the highest tourism potential in the country, which relates

directly exit to the sea, with many natural assets, climate, water, archeological, historical, cultural, as well as human resources.





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VISION: Toward a sustainable development of the region

Main Priorities

Sustainable tourism development
Energy, light industry and services

Aquaculture development and fishery
Agribusiness and rural development





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Experience in EU projects

The Regional Council of Vlore has previous experience in implementing projects with funds from the programs of the European Union and other donors, through the contribution and the expertise of its staff, as well as through the coordination of local actors and regional exchange of good practices in specific areas.

Also, it has developed how to identify and stimulate the extra expertise operating in the region and beyond, in order to achieve the results and the objectives of various projects.



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*In the context of EU funds and support,
Vlora region has been a partner in different projects
from a various of cross border programmes:*

- **9 projects** have been implemented in the past,
- **1 project** is ongoing under INTERREG Europe
- **5 projects** are started under Greece-Albania Cross Border Programme 2014-2020
- **1 project** is started under Italy-Albania-Montenegro cross border programme 2014-2020



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The staff of Regional Council of Vlore operates primarily in:

- Management and coordination of the partners/collaborators/stakeholders and activities of the project;
- Promotion of the project to a large extent (since it operates at a regional and comprehensive priority areas!);
- Evaluation and sustainability of the project.

Considering this, the Regional Council of Vlora will contribute strongly in the coordination of stakeholders and interested parties in the area the projects are implemented, in managing the details of organization of various events, in promoting the actions of the project throughout the region, as well as in creating a climate of cooperation and exchange of experiences in regional and interregional level, across borders.



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Region of Vlorë as PB3 in the project:

SAVE WATER: Improving water management and supply infrastructure via smart technologies, policies and tools

- **Budget: 509.803,20 €**
- **Partnership: with other 7 partners**
- **Duration: 36 months**
- **Focused location: Novosele**
- **Beneficiaries: local units, citizens, tourists**



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Main Modification

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The Regional Council of Vlora, as the beneficiary (PB3) of the strategic project **SAVE WATER: *Improving water management and supply infrastructure via smart technologies, policies and tools*** has considered crucial to make an essential change in the pilot action of the project during the phase of modification given from Joint Secretariat.

The pilot action in the initial proposal was focused on establishing a SMART Communication Network by installing the fiber optics and other high technology tools via 11 km in the supply system of Novosela. Taking into consideration the current situation of the supply system in this part that cannot support this particular intervention, due to the reason of having a problematic system in terms of losses of water in pressure and flow, it was mandatory to intervene first with the appropriate works for improving the supply system, where will be integrated all the other foreseen actions of this project.



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Pilot Action / WP4

Mainly, there will be interventions for the installation of SCADA system in the water supply network in Novosele, as well as in the in 6 wells and their pumping stations.

These civil works will serve as the initial platform from where other actions of WP4, basically the electronic equipment will take place (the monitoring center and sensors) assuring so, the accomplishment of the main objective of this project.

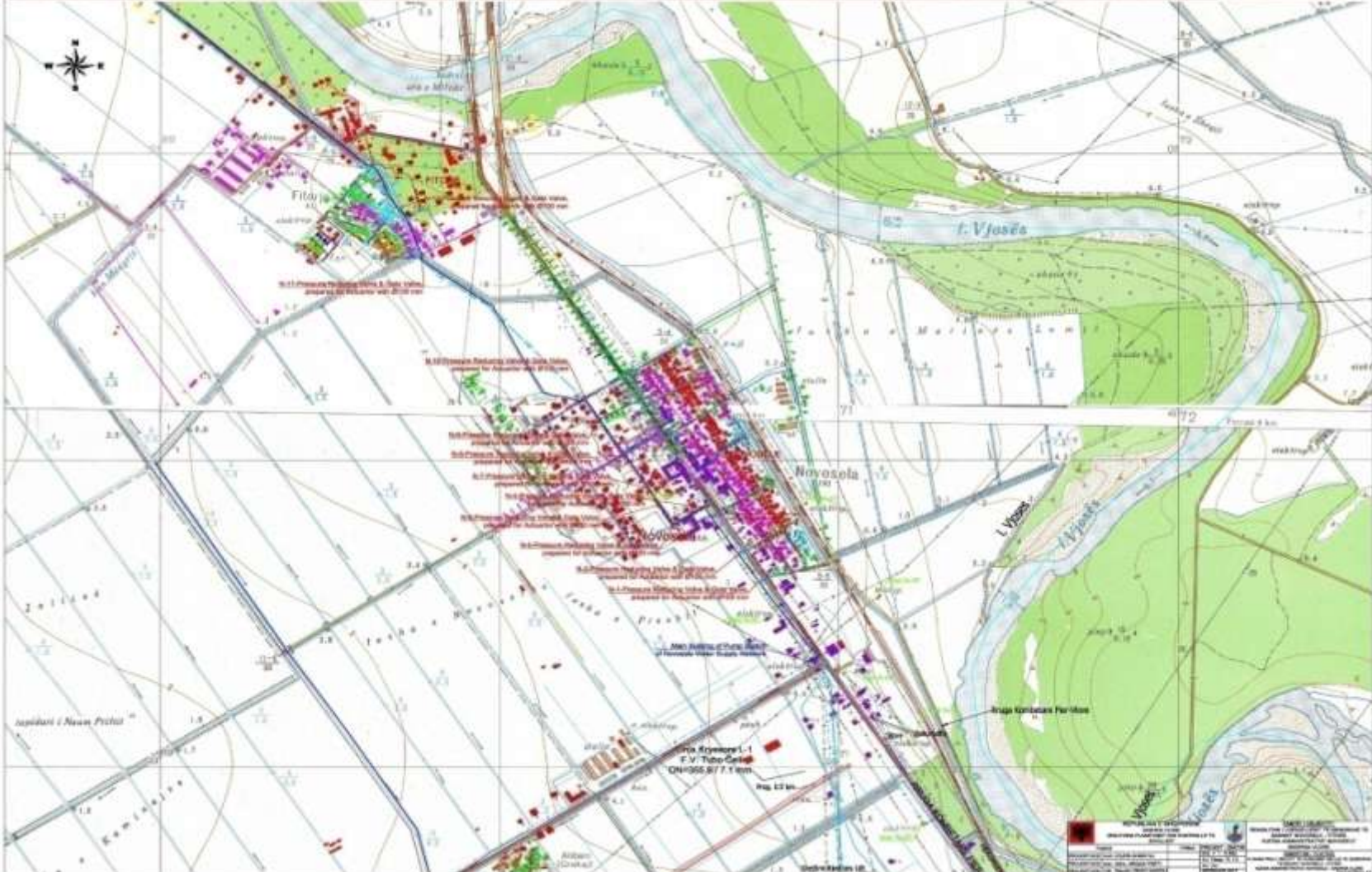


Pilot Action

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LAYOUT OF WATER SUPPLY NETWORK OF NOVOSELA & FITORE RESIDENT CENTERS IN NOVOSELA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT OF VLORA MUNICIPALITY SHKALLA= 1 : 5 000





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5 Work Packages

WP 1

1 project meeting organization
6 progress reports
Quality Control and Evaluation

WP 2

Communication & Dissemination
Communication plan and project's web site
Printed and electronic material
2 Info Days
5 Training seminars
1 Atypical Open Event

WP 3

Networking and GIS/Database (2 studies)
Cross-border network for drinking water pressures
Realization of GIS Info Map
Protocol for monitoring standards
Population of database for water management

WP 4

Sensors Networks and Pilot Actions
Requirements assesment for decision making tool and API/1 ing+1 IT the adaption
Pilot action in Vlore : 1 monitoring center; works. Sensors, digitalization

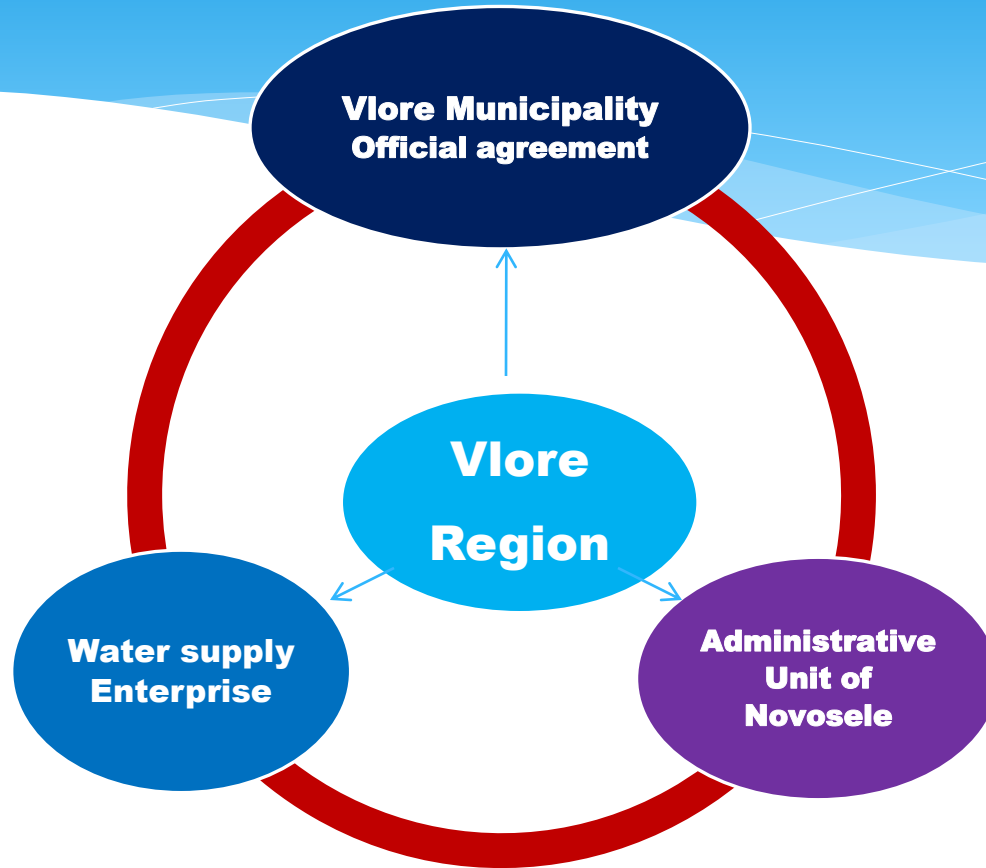
WP 5

Strategies and Policies
Best practices on water management ; 1 study for Vlore
1 Action plan
Policy paper and MoU
Content contribution to public awareness portal and API



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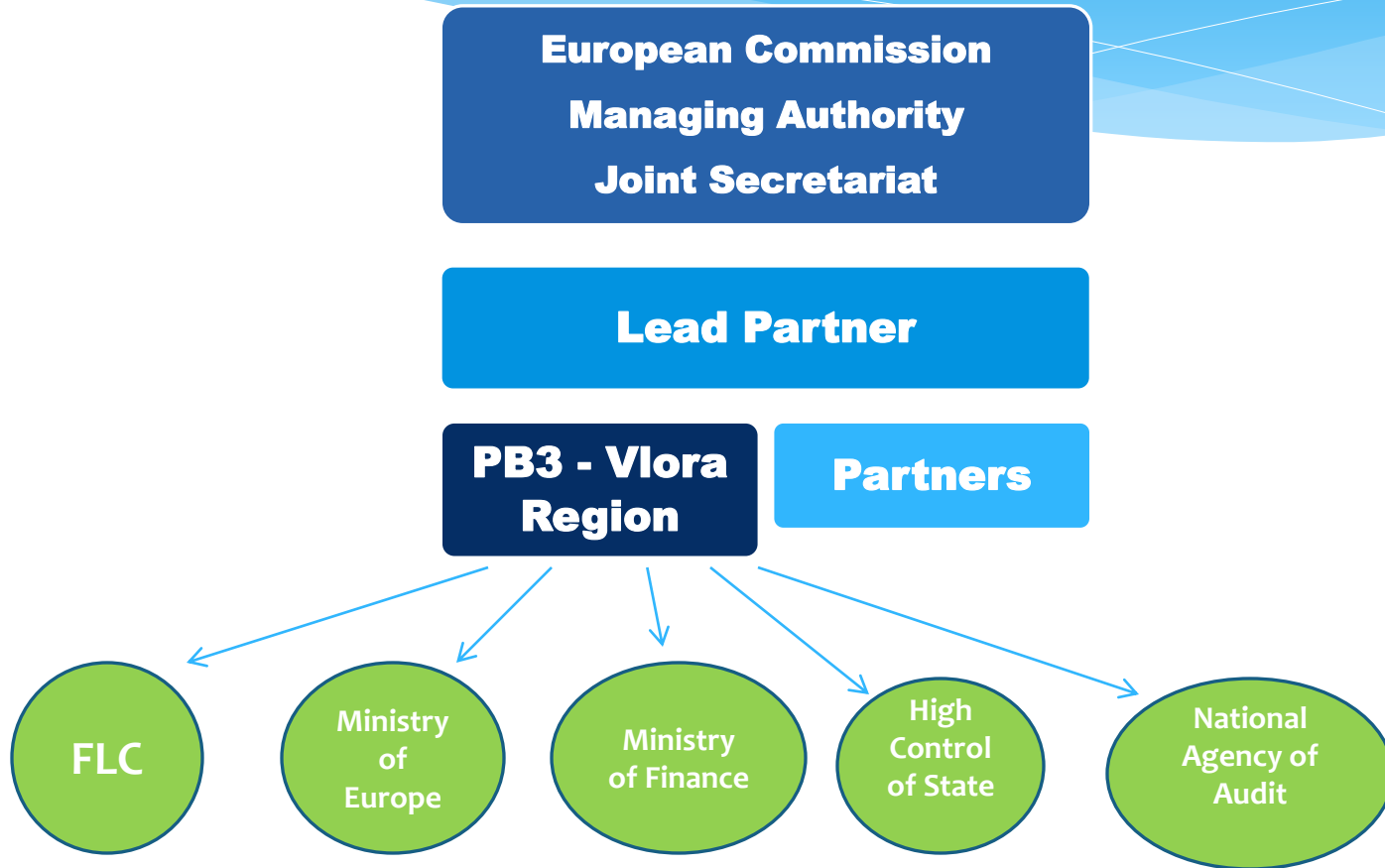




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Evaluation and reports

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Lead Partner

Project Board

Vlora Region

Inner staff

External experts

Stakeholders /beneficiaries



SAVE WATER: TO DISCUSS

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Potential issues the region of Vlore will discuss

- 1st progress report
- Plan of Communication: deadline, issues
- Printed materials / orientations
- First info day; deadline
- Atypical event
- Technical meetings with the partners
- GIS AND DATABASE
- Mobile application
- Project portal
- Sensors
- Procurement procedures
- Financing scheme
- Other...



Based on the previous experience with other cross border partners with which we have already established a sustainable partnership, we believe that it starts with one movement/project to go on 😊





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