

Project “Introduction of the Strategic approach into the CBC development in Carpathian Region (“Carpathia 2003-2011”)”

1. Project Applicant:

The Agency of Regional Development and Cross Border Co-operation “Transcarpathia” (Ukraine, Uzhgorod).

2. The partners are follows:

1. Association of Regional Development “KIUT” (Zahony, Hungary);
2. Agency of regional development Szabolcs-Szatmar-Bereg region (Hungary);
3. Generally meeting Szabolcs-Szatmar-Bereg region (Hungary);
4. Rzeszow Regional Development Agency (Rzeszow, Poland);
5. Lesco Regional Administration (Poland);
6. Government of Podkarpatska province (Poland);
7. Business-innovation centre “Cassovia BIC Kosice” (Slovakia);
8. Koshice self-governing region (Slovakia);
9. Koshice Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Slovakia);
10. Maramures Regional Council (Baja Mare, Romania);
11. Government of Satu-Mare (Romania);
12. City Council of Satu-Mare (Romania).

3. Term of realization: 18 months (from 14.11.2002 to 14.05.2004)

4. The target groups are as follows: the local/ regional authorities, regional development agencies, NGOs and other interested in CBC development institutions of Carpathian region (target regions of the project are Podkarpatska province, Poland, Kosice and Presov regions, Slovakia, Szabolcs-Szatmar-Bereg region, Hungary, Satu-Mare and Maramures regions, Romania).

5. Project summary:

Objective of the project is to raise the efficiency and predictability of cross-border cooperation in the target area by the introduction of a strategic approach to cooperation and the formation of a shared institutional base involving all the local/regional authorities and development institutions. The main activities were creating the Working group the main task of which was to elaborate of the Strategy of CBC Carpathia region and the manual for this Strategy. These tasks were done by the target group by the way of organizing the working meeting, seminars and trainings oriented on the CBC experts.

Cross-border impact:

The project was oriented to raise the efficiency of cross-border co-operation among the local/regional authorities and development institutions on the target areas. The project stimulated the economic and social development and integration processes on the territory of border regions.

6. Project outputs

1. Local WGs created in all target border regions;
2. International WEG created;
3. SWOT-analysis of the target CBC region done by International WEG;
4. Operational Programmes developed by experts;
5. Large-scale International Partner Meetings held (2 in Mukachevo, 2 in Uzhgorod);
6. Trainings (6) held for local CBC actors on Strategic planning and Project management issues;

7. Study Tour organised to Great Britain for representatives of project partners;
8. Strategy of regional development CBC "Carpathia 2003 -2011" elaborated;
9. Approval of the CBC development Strategy "Carpathia 2004 -2011" is made by Transcarpathian Regional State Administration.

7. Budget (in EUR): 237 022.