

ECOMANAGEMENT

yesterday's knowledge, tomorrow's know-how

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EDITORIAL

ECOMANAGEMENT - yesterday's knowledge tomorrow's know-how - is a project that is part of the ERASMUS + strategic partnership European programme for adults. The project will last from October 2017 to September 2019.

The project is about sustainable development and the development of each project area by the local people. The goal is for seniors and other citizens to work together - particularly with young people at risk, on the one hand, and the local people and their communities, on the other.



The project builds on the knowledge and techniques that the 'old' have of the area where they live. As part of the Europe 2020 strategy, six partners have come together to develop tools to ensure best practices for the intergenerational transfer of know-how.

During the ECOMANAGEMENTproject, four newsletters will be prepared and made available to the general public. These Newsletters will include information on the progress of the project and its highlights.





PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The ECOMANAGEMENT project aims to take into account the environmental impact of land management changes in recent decades, to assess the impact and to reduce it by applying a sustainable development perspective.

To do this, work will be conducted between, on the one hand, senior citizens - holders of traditional skills - and, on the other hand, citizens/young people in difficult, in a search of a forgotten wealth, a priceless resource at the time where the fight against climate change is omnipresent and pressing. Building on these skills and techniques at European level will not only bring together young and older people within a common project - protection, conservation and promotion of a shared space - but equally to translate this ancestral legacy into useful tools, which can be usable and used by all, empowering local people and helping them to find jobs: the development and acquisition of social and civic skills, technical know-how, and a network of local and European stakeholders, European mobility, etc.

Finally, the project proposes a formal and sustained dialogue between public bodies and local stakeholders around the issue of heritage promotion as well as networking at a European level.

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PROJECT PARTNERS

Association Alpes de Lumière

Created in 1953 this French association seeks to raise local people's awareness of their country's wealth by encouraging social, cultural and personal links in order to enhance and revitalize their area.

EuroKoncept 21

Created in 2006 in Slovakia the aim of the Association is to help the integration of disadvantaged people into the work and implement actions for local development in relation to the management and conservation of the natural heritage.

Gatehouse Development Initiative

An organization of volunteers in Scotland (UK) that carries out projects to improve the well-being of the local population by means of projects linked to the improvement and promotion of built and natural environment.

La Communauté de Communes Celavu Prunelli

This Community of communes from Corsica (FR) is associated with actions focused on the development and sustainability of the economy by enhancing resources, heritage and know-how; the networking of actors and the passing on of skills and initiatives.

Red2Red Consultores, S.L.

A private Spanish company, founded in 2000 in order to be a point of reference for national and local public policies, to contribute to the success of public institutions and local communities, as part of an improvement of democratic, social and economic governance.

Regional Union of Municipalities of Epirus (PED Epirus)

Based in the North-West of the Greece, Ped Epirus is a local administrative, non-commercial organisation. The aims are notably the implementation of actions to improve the quality of life and social cohesion as well as environmental and cultural protection.



PROJECT PROGRESS

The project launch meeting was held in Madrid on 27 and 28 November 2017. At this meeting, the partners defined the means to achieve the objectives of the project. They also set out the roles and responsibilities of each partner and the organization of the project.

Alpes de Lumière will be responsible for coordination throughout the project. The partners will work closely with seniors, young people, local communities and citizens on four activities:

La Communauté de Communes Celavu Prunelli will be responsible for the collection, preparation and exchange of good practice (Oct.2017 - Feb.2018)

EuroKoncept 21 will be responsible for the modelling of intergenerational training/ action (Feb - May 2018)

Red2Red Consultores, S.L. will be responsible for ethnological surveys using video footage during the interviews. This will be a first testing phase (May - Sept. 2018)

PED Epirus will be responsible for teaching traditional techniques and ancestral know-how for environmental transition (testing training/action). This will be a second testing phase.

Throughout the project, **Gatehouse Development Initiative** will be responsible for the communication and dissemination of the results of the project.

The next meeting of the partnership, which will take place in Gatehouse of Fleet in Scotland in June 2018, will examine the progress made on the project.



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