OrientGate — Integrating Climate Knowledge into Policy and Territorial Planning

The aim is to build a partnership between communities that produce scientific knowledge on climate change and communities that apply it, in order to coordinate climate adaptation actions across South Eastern Europe (SEE)

Activities

- Developing a comprehensive and consistent methodology for assessing risks arising as a result of climate variability and change
- Creating a working partnership between hydrometeorological services in SEE countries
- Fostering the uptake of climate adaptation knowledge and experience in territorial planning and development
- Enhancing capacity to reconcile the risks and opportunities of environmental change

Impacts

- Six pilot vulnerability assessment studies completed in different sectors
- A web-based data platform created, connected to the EU Clearinghouse on Climate Adaptation
- Good practice and experience shared via capacity-building seminars and workshops

GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE
Albania, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Ukraine

GREECO — Assessing Territorial Potential for a Green Economy in European Regions

The project identifies the territorially relevant aspects of green economy and highlights opportunities for the transition to a green(er) economy in European regions

Activities

- Assessing the regional dimensions of and potential for green economy
- Drafting green economy sector studies
- Drawing up regional case studies
- Undertaking policy analyses to identify key territorial policy areas contributing to green economy

Impacts

- Territorial evidence produced, relevant to the EU Cohesion Policy and its programming process
- New indicators developed for assessing regional compliance with Europe 2020 objectives
- Degree of green economic development in regions assessed
- Barriers to and drivers of green growth defined

GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE
EU27, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway, Switzerland

Duration: 2012–2014
Donor: Co-funded by the South East Europe Transnational Cooperation Programme
Budget: EUR 4,777,800

IN NUMBERS:
- 13 countries
- 34 partners
- 8 national hydrometeorological services

Duration: 2011–2014
Donor: European Commission, ESPON 2013 Programme
Budget: EUR 750,000 (REC share EUR 97,000)

IN NUMBERS:
- 271 regions
- 8 sector studies
- 10 case studies