

Cross Border Cooperation for Sustainable Management of Lake areas in Kurzeme and Lithuania (Lakes for Future)

Joint Project kick-off and Steering Committee meeting
April 24, 2012
Saldus



Project Lakes for Future Fact-sheet

- Approved on November 23-25, 2011 with conditions, project identification No LLIV-326
- Project start date: April 2, 2012
- Project end date: February 1, 2014
- Partnership Agreement concluded on March 30, 2012
- Subsidy Contract concluded on April 12, 2012
- Total eligible Project budget: **EUR 1 012 554,14**
 - incl. National financing 15%: EUR 151 883,12
 - and ERDF co-financing 85%: EUR 860 671,02
- Project reporting periods:
 - I period: 02.04.2012.-31.10.2012.
 - II period: 01.11.2012.-30.04.2013.
 - III period: 01.05.2013.-31.10.2013.
 - IV period: 01.11.2013.-01.02.2014.



Project Partners

- Lead Partner – Kurzeme Planning Region (Budget: EUR 87 206,58)
- Project Partner 2 – Council of Liepaja City (Budget: EUR 15 795,32)
- Project Partner 3 – Municipality of Saldus (Budget: EUR 114 821,16)
- Project Partner 4 – Council of Durbe Municipality (Budget: EUR 150 822,39)
- Project Partner 5 – Latvian Environment, Geology and Meteorology Centre (Budget: EUR 55 910,76)
- Project Partner 6 – Municipality of Talsi (Budget: EUR 28 288,42)
- Project Partner 7 – Municipality of Kuldiga (Budget: EUR 108 849,59)
- Project Partner 8 – Klaipeda University (CORPI) (Budget: EUR 110 682,60)
- Project Partner 9 – Directorate of Birzai Regional Park (Budget: EUR 31 920,00)
- Project Partner 10 – Directorate of Tytuvėnai Regional Park (Budget: EUR 212 412,28)
- Project Partner 11 – Directorate of Zemaitija National Park (Budget: EUR 44 414,92)
- Project Partner 12 – Municipality of Mersrags (Budget: EUR 54 979,62)



Project Objective

Project Lakes for Future overall objective is:

to promote sustainable management and conservation of nature resources in lakes and its basin areas in Kurzeme region and Lithuania cross-border area.



Project Sub-Objectives

Project has 3 sub-objectives:

- To develop the infrastructure for the management and protection of nature resources in order to prevent possible threats and improve accessibility to lakes.
- To ensure exchange of experience between different actors and stakeholders involved in management of lakes, as well to provide decision makers with actual information and data on state of environment in lakes and its basins in cross-border area.
- To promote public involvement and information about protection and management of lake areas and disseminate the results of the Project.



Project Work Packages

- **WP1 – Management and Coordination**
(Responsible Partner – LP, involved – all partners)
- **WP2 – Nature Management and Conservation**
(All partners responsible for their activities)
- **WP3 – Planning, research and Exchange of experience**
(All partners responsible for their activities)
- **WP4 – Public participation and Information**
(All partners responsible for their activities)



Activities – WP1 (Management and Coordination)

- Project Management Group meetings (at least once per period, i.e., 4 meetings)
- Project Steering Committee meetings (at least once per 6 months, i.e., 3-4 meetings)
- Preparation of Partner progress reports (Total – 4)
- Preparation of Project reports (Total – 4)
- Management and coordination of project documentation flow, coordination of experts work
- Disbursements to project partners by LP

Total budget per WP1 – EUR 197 750,30



Outputs for the 1st & 2nd reporting periods – WP1

1. Contracts with project employees concluded (or outsourced);
- ✓ Kick-off meeting held (24.04.2012.);
- ✓ Partnership agreement prepared and signed (30.03.2012.);
- ✓ 1-2 Steering Committee meetings held (1st held on 24.04.2012.)
5. 2 Work Group meetings held;
6. Partners' progress report prepared;
7. 3 portable computers purchased (PP5; PP10; PP11).



Activities – WP2 (Nature Management and Conservation) (1)

- Improvement of public swimming place in Saldus (PP3);
- Nature Management Plan implementation in Liepaja (PP2);
- Reconstruction of access road to Lake Durbe (PP4);
- Reconstruction of culvert between two Nabes Lakes (Kuldiga / PP7);
- Construction of small bridge in Kirkilai karstic lakes area (Birzai / PP9);
- Complex reconstruction of existing public access place to Lake Gilliaus (Tytuvēnai / PP10);
- Technical project for reconstruction of sluices in Lake Sasmaka (Talsi / PP6);



Activities – WP2 (Nature Management and Conservation) (2)

- Technical project for “Birds Islands” in Natura 2000 area Lake Engure (Mersrags / PP12);
- Technical project for car parking place in Natura 2000 area Kirkilai karstic lakes (Birzai / PP9);
- Technical project for construction of water threshold in Lake Durbe (Durbe / PP4);
- E-service for licensed fishing in Kurzeme Region (KPRĀ / LP);
- Information stand in Kirkilai karstic lakes (Birzai / PP9).

Total budget of WP2 – EUR 581 938,55



Outputs for the 1st&2nd reporting periods – WP2

- Prepared procurement documentation;
- Procurement finished, contracts signed;
- Technical project documentations delivered;
- E-service developed;
- Nature maintenance works done partly for Liepaja partner;
- Reconstruction works launched and partly done.



Activities – WP3 (Planning, research and Exchange of experience) (1)

- Assessment of Lake Durbe water quality and monitoring / incl. purchase of PC, laboratory consumables (LEGMC / PP5);
- 5 researches for environmental assessment / incl. purchase of equipment (Klaipeda / PP8);
- Monitoring system for Plateliai Lake Management Plan elaboration / incl. purchase of equipment (Zemaitija / PP11);
- Research and monitoring of Kirkilai karstic lakes / incl. purchase of equipment (Birzai / PP9);
- Study visits and experience exchange (4 2-day visits) (Resp. LP, PP7, PP9, PP11);



Activities – WP3 (Planning, research and Exchange of experience) (2)

- Elaboration and publication of “Guide to the Sustainable Management of Lake Areas” (KPRA / LP);
- Research in Varlinis and Miškiniai lakes (Tytuvenai / PP10);
- Elaboration of Lake management plan for Nabes Lakes (Kuldīga / PP7);
- Elaboration of Nature Management Plans for lake area and Natura 2000 area “Talsu pauguraine” (Talsi / PP6).

Total budget of WP3 – EUR 184 037,44



Outputs for the 1st&2nd reporting periods – WP3

- Contracts with specialists and equipment purchased, assessment process started;
- Procurement procedures within all activities started and performed;
- Research and assessment ongoing;
- 4 2-days study visits organized, 40 partic. in each, 2 in LV and 2 in LT;
- Draft to guide prepared;
- Research of Varlinis and Miskiniu lakes delivered;
- Nature Management plans elaboration started.



Activities – WP4 (Public Participation and Information) (1)

- Development of handbook for introduction of public environmental monitoring in lakes (“Lake Watch”) in LV and LT (KPRA / LP);
- Partners seminars and improvement of web-pages (for PP9 and PP11) for introduction of “Lake Watch” in their lake areas - 4 one day seminars in each partners area / 12 seminars in total / 30 local participants)(LP, PP9, PP11);
- Final seminar on “Lake Watch” (KPRA / LP);
- Information and publicity measures – 37 press releases (All partners);
- Creation of project logo and visual identity (KPRA / LP);



Activities – WP4 (Public Participation and Information) (2)

- Traveling photo exhibition “Lakes for Future” (Resp. KPRA / LP) (All partners involved);
- Booklet about project partners lakes’ areas in LV and LT (KPRA / LP);
- Web-based pocket book including info on lakes’ location, maps, values, fish resources, info for visitors, regulations etc.; 1000 copies in LV and LT and in web-pages (KPRA / LP);
- Training of volunteer environmental inspectors / one 2-days seminar (Liepāja / PP2);
- Final project conference in LT (PP11, PP9).

Total budget of WP4 – EUR 45 434,30



Outputs for the 1st&2nd reporting periods – WP4

- Public procurements launched;
- Project logo and visual design developed;
- 13 press releases published;
- Collection of photos from PP's done, exhibition prepared and started;
- Contracts with experts (Lake Watch) signed and handbook published;
- 3 seminars for Lake Watch introduction organized;
- Procurement on booklet publishing finished, contract signed, preparation of booklet started;
- Procurement on web-based book publishing finished, contract signed, preparation of catalogue started.



External services (outsourcing) (BL4) (1)

- WP1 –
 - 1) Project coordinator for PP4,
 - 2) FLC costs for PP8, PP9, PP10 and PP11;
- WP2 –
 - 1) Development of e-service for licenced fishing for LP,
 - 2) Maintenance of meadow habitats for PP2,
 - 3) Technical projects for PP4, PP6, PP9 and PP12,
 - 4) Supervision of quality process of reconstruction for PP10;
- WP3 –
 - 1) Study visit seminar costs for PP1, PP7, PP9, PP11,
 - 2) Publication of Guide for LP,
 - 3) Research in Varlinis and Miskiniu lakes for PP10,



External services (outsourcing) (BL4) (2)

- WP3 –
 - 4) Elaboration of Nature Management plan for PP6,
 - 5) Elaboration of Lake management plan for PP7,
 - 6) Monitoring system for Plateliai Lake Management Plan for PP11;
- WP4 –
 - 1) Handbook "Lake Watch" production for LP,
 - 2) Lake Watch 4 local and 1 closing seminar for LP,
 - 3) Information and publicity measures for all partners,
 - 4) Traveling photo exhibition for LP,
 - 5) Booklet about project partners for LP,
 - 6) Web-based catalogue for LP,
 - 7) Training of voluntary rangers for PP2,
 - 8) Introducing of Lake Watch (seminars) for PP9 and PP11,
 - 9) Improving of web-page (Lake Watch) for PP9 and PP11,
 - 10) Conference costs for PP9 and PP11.



Equipment and infrastructure (BL6) (1)

- WP1 –
 - 1) Equipment for administration of project for PP5, PP10 and PP11;
- WP2 –
 - 1) Improvement of public swimming place for PP3,
 - 2) Reconstruction of access road for PP4,
 - 3) Reconstruction of culvert between Nabe Lakes for PP7,
 - 4) Construction of small bridge and set up of information stand for PP9,
 - 5) Complex reconstruction of access place to lake for PP10;
- WP3 –
 - 1) Equipment and laboratory consumables for PP5,
 - 2) Equipment for monitoring needs for PP11 and PP9,
 - 3) Laboratory consumables and Zebra mussels cultivation tools for PP8.



**Thank you for your
patience and attention!**

For further questions:

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