Integration of specially protected nature territories of Latvia in spatial plans

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implementation:	,,								
Project partners in	Ministry of Enviromental Protection and Regional Development								
Latvia:	Infor	Information about Ministry of Enviromental Protection and Regional							
	Deve	Development is available: http://www.varam.gov.lv/eng/							
Project partners in	Oppland County Information about Oppland County is available:								
Norway:		http://www.oppland.no							
Target groups:		The primary target group of the project - 119 local municipalities, both those							
		whose territories are located in specially protected nature territories and all							
		the other territories in which the specialists will be trained for the							
		implementation of the conception and methodology for integration of							
		management plans into spatial plans. The primary target group is also the							
		local experts who will be trained in workshops, developers and experts of the							
		management plans who will participate in the preparation of management							
	-	plans, as well as public institutions – Nature Conservation Agency, Ministry of							
		the Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Planning regions,							
		who will benefit in long-term from the development of conception and							
		methodology and management plans. The secondary target group of the							
		project is local people who live, work and rest in these areas, in which							
		management plans will be prepared and negotiations with local leaders about							
		the integration of management plans into spatial plans will be started. The							
		project will be implemented in specially protected nature territories (hereinafter -SPNT) of Latvia.							
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		Categor			Nature				
		y of		Municipality/	protection	Area			
	No.	SPNT	Name of the SPNT	municipalities	plans	(ha)			
					2005-2013,				
				Kandava, Talsi,	extended,				
		ND1		Kuldiga, Ventspils	need to be	4.4022			
	1	NP ¹	Abava valley	municipality Ventspils	renewed	14933			
	2	NR ^{**}	Druvinu moorland	municipality	_	293			
		1411	Bravilla moonana	Ventspils		233			
	3	NR	Plucu moorland	municipality	-	740			
			Naglu and Ansinu	Ventspils					
	4	NR	swamp	municipality	-	284			
			Mangenes	Kuldiga					
	5	NR	woodland	municipality	-	1657			

¹ NP – nature park ** NR – nature reserve

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6	PLA***	Augszeme	Ilukste and Daugavpils municipality	-	20828
7	PLA	Vecpiebalga	Vecpiebalga municipality	-	8945
,		Vedpiesaiga			03.13
8	PLA	Veclaicene	Aluksne and Ape municipality	-	20892
	ND	Dawn ati	All and an artist and the	started, but has not	2045
9	NP	Bernati	Nica municipality	confirmed 1999 -2010,	2945
10	NR	Ziemupe	Pavilosta municipality	need to be renewed	2458
11	NR	Zvarde	Saldus and Broceni municipality	_	3072
12	NR	Pilskalnes Siguldina	Ilukste municipality	-	71
13	NR	Ances swamps and woodlands	Ventspils municipality	2007-2016, need to be renewed	8772
14	NR	Jaunanna	Aluksne municipality	-	1325
15	NR	Ukru dry forest type (Aegopodiosa)	Auce and Tervete municipality	developed in 2000, need to be renewed	1135

Activities/results:

Project main activities:

- 0. Project management and monitoring;
- 1. Elaboration of concept and guidelines;
- 2. Elaboration and supervision of nature protection plans for the specially protected nature territories;
- 3. Experience exchange;
- 4. Publicity.

Expected results:

- 1. Designed or developed 21 regional and local planning document;
- 2. Organized five experience and knowledge exchange visits between Latvian and Norwegian authorities;
- 3. Established two strategic partnerships between the Latvian and Norwegian authorities;
- 4. Proposal for simplification of normative regulation has been elaborated and discussed

Expected benefits:

- 1. Developed conceptual solutions and guidlines of specially protected natural areas protection and use of the integration of local area plans.
- 2. Proposals for optimized legislative system.
- 3. Increase of involvement of local governments in the management of SPNT by establishing public and private partnership, and trained administrative staff.
- 4. Increase of public understanding about nature protection plans.

^{***} PLA – protected landscape areas

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