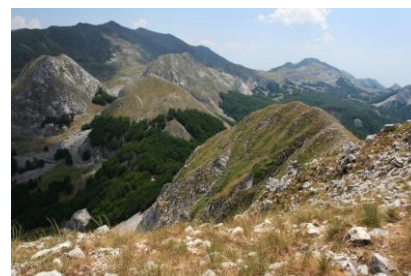


CLIMATE BRIDGES – STRENGTHENING CLIMATE PROTECTION THROUGH COOPERATION

Context

Climate Bridges strengthens climate protection in the mountain range Dinarides in the Western Balkans, by establishing a networking platform (Dinaric Climate Network-DCN). The platform supports the implementation of the recently agreed Green Agenda for the Western Balkan (aligns with the EU Green Deal), at the regional and local level. It involves a wide range of stakeholders, fosters exchange and discussion, among civil society organizations and (semi) governmental bodies. Previously supported by the experiences gained from similar processes in the Alps, like the Alpine Partnership for Local Climate Action or the Alpine Climate Board.



Project Objectives

The Objective of this project is to:

- i) Establish the Dinaric Climate Network (DCN) to foster trans-national climate governance;
- ii) Good practices elaborated to get an overview on already ongoing initiatives/projects and to acquire stakeholders for the foundation of the Dinaric Climate Network;
- iii) Development of climate mitigation strategies and implementation concepts for pilot regions in the Dinarics;
- iv) National/regional Civil Society Organizations and (semi)governmental bodies familiarized with recommendations for improvement of trans-national climate governance in the Dinarides, empowering and motivating them to foster cooperation beyond borders.

Expected Deliverables

- Memorandum of Cooperation document for the Dinaric Climate Network reached by at least 40 civil society organizations and (semi)governmental bodies of the Dinarides;
- 30 good practices in line with the Western Balkan Green Deal collected through a competition and presented at an award-winning ceremony;
- 5 climate mitigation strategies and implementation concepts in pilot regions elaborated together with civil society organizations, (semi) governmental bodies and with support of the twinning regions in the Alps;
- 60 stakeholders with new knowledge and inspiration through the assessment of the institutional and regulatory framework for climate protection in the Dinarides.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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- GIZ

PARTNERS:

- CIPRA International Lab GmbH
- Urban Research Institute (URI)
- CENER 21/CENER 21 – Center for Energy, Environment and Resources
- Association Green Istria

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