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"EU FOR CIRCULAR ECONOMY" IN GJIROKASTËR-VLORA SOUTH WASTE MANAGEMENT ZONE

Context

Waste management is a major challenge in Albania and contributes significantly to GHG emissions. This in turn harms the country's tourism potential which constitutes 18% of the GDP. **Therefore, the government has declared waste management a strategic and priority sector.**



The EU4CE-REWAM project is being implemented on a sub-national scale with the final recipients being the municipalities of Gjirokaster Region and Vlora South area of the Vlora Region.

Project aim

The project aims to support the Republic of Albania and more particularly the 12 municipalities of Gjirokaster-Vlora South Waste Management Zone (WMZ) in providing modern solid waste infrastructure compliant with EU standards, contribute to higher service levels, and address pressing environmental challenges in the solid waste sector across the country in line with the national waste strategy.

At the same time, it aims at improving national and municipal MSW operational performance, while putting an emphasis on economic development, the reduction of inequalities and the governance of the sector.

Deliverables and activities

- **Task 0: Inception phase**
- **Task 1: Executive study** - analysis of existing documentation; update and adjustment of all projects data; Identification and implementation of additional studies to be carried out; revision and assessment the future needs for waste management services in the WMZ based on available studies / reports / project documentation; Financial capacity assessment;
- **Task 2: Environmental and social studies including gender and climate analysis and action plans -** environmental and Social Impact Assessment for each new infrastructure, including attached infrastructures, including ESIA, ESMP, RAP, LRP, gender analysis and ction plan, climate analysis and risk assessment for the construction of each infrastructure.
- **Task 3: Feasibility study and project design -** assessment of the site for each facility to be implemented per WMZ and perform on-site characterization studies; development of Feasibility study , preliminary design and detailed design and associated documents in line with Albanian regulations

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