

Presentation of the integrated pilot project of Pleven District Administration implemented within the strategic project: “Common Strategy for Sustainable Territorial Development of the cross-border area Romania-Bulgaria”

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Brief presentation of integrated pilot project of Pleven District Administration

- Pleven District Administration is one of the project partners that implemented a pilot project of district level within the **Working Package 6**.
- The title of the pilot project is “**Elaboration of a Regional spatial development scheme of District Pleven**”. The scheme will be developed in accordance with the Law of regional development.
- The Regional spatial development scheme will cover a territory of **4 653 sq.km** (entire territory of Pleven District) - 123 settlements, 14 of which are towns, and 11 of them are municipalities: Belene, Gulyantsi, Dolna Mitropolia, Dolni Dabnik, Iskar, Levski, Knezha, Nikopol, Pleven, Pordim and Cherven Bryag.
- The duration of the pilot project is **17 months**, the project eligible value is **200 100 EUR**.

Objectives of the pilot project of Pleven District Administration

- The main objective of the Regional spatial development scheme is establishment of spatial conditions for achievement of the goals of economic and social development, connected with cross-border cooperation and development.
- The sub-objectives are:
 - Creating spatial conditions for increasing the attractiveness of the territory for development of economy based on knowledge and available resources;
 - Development and modernization of system of engineering - technical infrastructure and communications network;
 - Integrated conservation, restoration and sustainable use of the environment, including natural and cultural heritage;
 - Strengthening institutional capacity at regional and local level to improve the management process and support initiatives for regional and local development;

Main activities of the pilot project of Pleven District Administration

- **Activity 1:** Establishment of project implementation team;
- **Activity 2:** Preparation of public procurement documents and management of public procurement procedure;
- **Activity 3:** Synchronization and coordination with the database and documents drawn up within the other working packages/activities;
- **Activity 4:** Elaboration of Regional spatial development scheme;



Main activities of the pilot project of Pleven District

- **Activity 5:** Meetings with local authorities, district administrations in cross - border area, other institutions and NGOs to present the objectives, implementation and to discuss the results of the pilot project.
- **Activity 6:** Meetings with stakeholders in order to conduct public discussions for the pilot project.
- **Activity 7:** Workshop with all project partners to present the pilot project, his implementation and results.
- **Activity 8:** Information and publicity - promotional materials, 2 press conferences, 10 publications in local/regional Bulgarian newspapers

Expected results of pilot project implementation

- Development the strategic vision and framework for spatial development and sustainable use of resources of entire territory of Pleven District. The scheme will determine the strategy for spatial development of the Pleven District and its connections with other districts and neighboring countries (Romania).
- One of the main accents of the Regional spatial development scheme is better spatial planning for more effective cross- border partnerships, in the context of regional development.
- Improved sustainable planning and planning usage of available resources in long term (15-20 years);
- Creating spatial conditions for intensive economic growth and improved common investment potential;
- Optimal structure for sustainable environmentally development created;

The status of the project

- Pleven District administration developed and conducted a public procurement procedure - type “open tender” (according to the Law for public procurement) for selection a Contractor in order to ensure the development of regional spatial development scheme.
- As a result of the procedure Pleven District Administration signed the Contract № TD-65/12.03.2013, Contractor: Consortium “Geoconcept”.
The value of the contract is 124 552,61 EUR.
- The process of data and primary information gathering is still undergoing
- Specialized GIS is developed. The GIS has its internet based module:
http://84.43.190.202/oblast_pleven/
- Also, it was developed a detailed geo-spatial analysis of the status and potential of the territory of Pleven Oblast; It was formulated the first draft ideas for spatial development.

The status of the project

- The current status of the project, analysis and draft ideas for spatial development were presented at Public hearing on 17.09.2013 in Pleven. It was invited regional and local authorities, institutions, territorial units, cultural, social organizations, NGOs.
- During the months of September and October, series of meetings in the municipalities within Pleven District took place.
- The aim of those meeting was to explore the opinion and attitudes of the local community and authorities for the future spatial development of the territory and to incorporate them in the Regional spatial development scheme.
- As a result, it was elaborated a draft Vision, based on the geospatial analysis, the results of the first public hearing and the results of the meetings in the municipalities

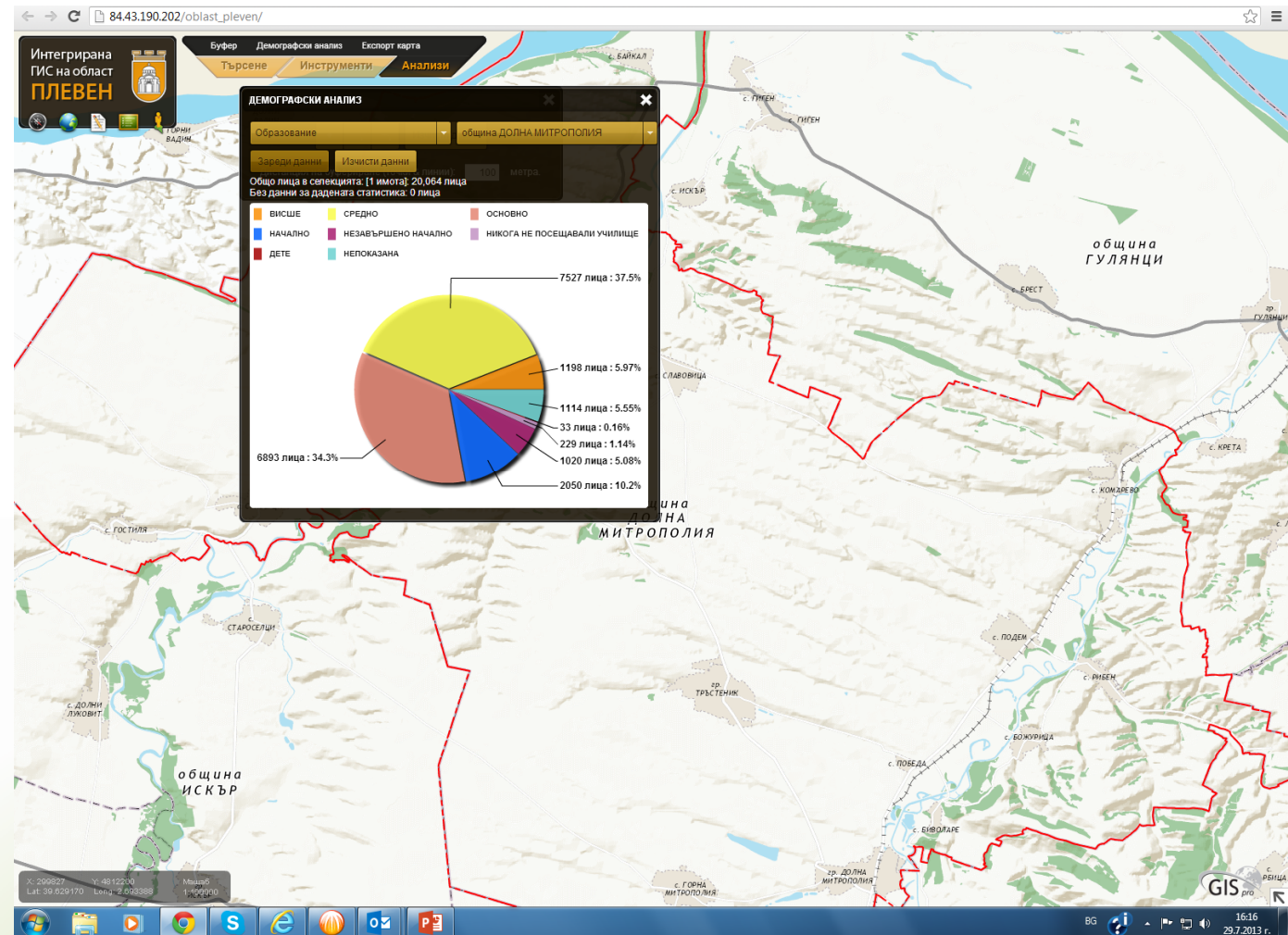
The Vision will be the base for the elaboration of the strategic framework of the Regional spatial development Scheme

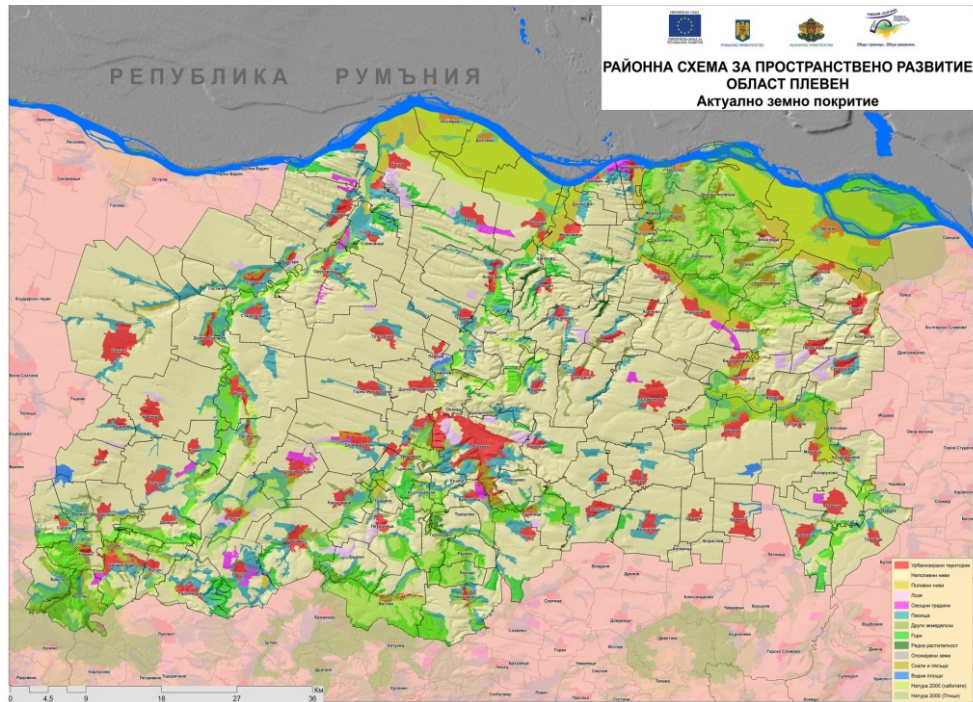
Principles of work

- **Integrated planning:** regional development and its spatial projection
- **Clear strategic vision and goals,** regarding the landuse models of development
- **Publicity, transparency and partnership** in the development and implementation of the strategic document
- **Concentration on Europe 2020 Strategy**
- **Suporting municipalities** in their spatial planning efforts
- Reflection of European views on the nature and objectives of spatial development approach known as the ESDP (European Spatial Development Perspective)

Some products

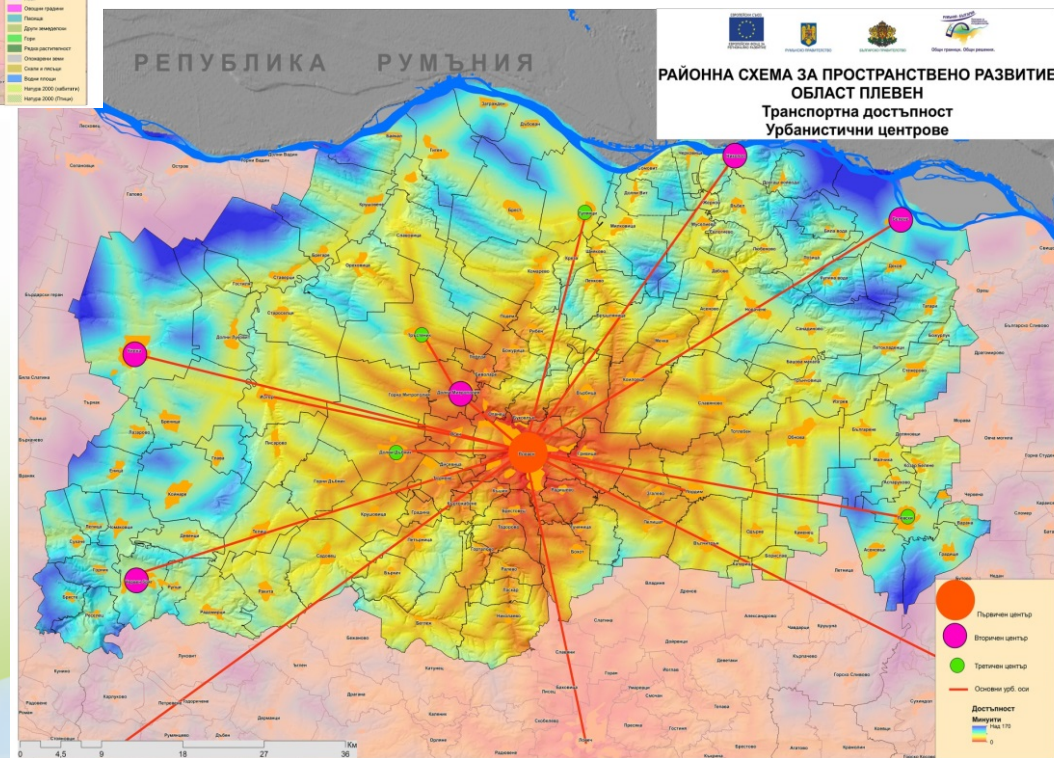
Internet GIS Application





Land use model

Urban model



What is the next?

- Preparation of promotional materials;
- Organization of the first press conference;
- Organization of the Second Public hearing;
- Finalizing the Regional spatial development scheme of Pleven District;
- Information workshop with local authorities, district administrations, institutions and NGOs in District Pleven;



Thank you for your attention!

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