

The IDEASS innovations have been included in the Regional Strategic Plans of Shkodra and Vlora

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The participative Strategic Planning processes promoted by the Regional Councils of Shkodra and Vlora Regions in collaboration with the UNDP ART GOLD Programme, are now at their last phase: the finalization of two regional Strategic Plans, each one including a shared strategy for socio-economic growth and a group of Project Boxes (10 for Vlora and 8 for Shkodra) addressing the main aspects and areas that territorial actors deem crucial for sustainable regional development.

Project Boxes are “containers” where projects addressing the same topics and/or the same parts of the regional territory are gathered together around a single theme and integrated with each other, thus developing synergies and interactions.

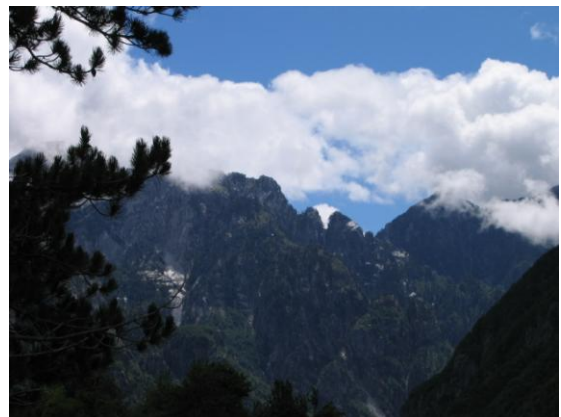
The Project Boxes for Shkodra and Vlora Regions contain and coordinate an average of 100 projects, either proposed by territorial actors, or suggested by the Strategic Planning experts, according to the outcomes of public consultations and meetings, and to the outputs of other programmes.

[Shkodra Strategic Project Boxes](#)
[Vlore Strategic Project Boxes](#)

The Project Boxes contain explicit references to innovative methodologies contained in the IDEASS catalogue and website: this means that the two Strategic Plans take suitable IDEASS innovations as reference for the implementation of specific projects suggested by local actors, regarding, for instance, sustainable waste and wastewater management systems, recycling of construction and demolition debris, the enhancement of natural and cultural heritage, also for tourist purposes.

Some IDEASS methodologies that were deemed appropriate to be applied in Shkodra and Vlora Regions are:

- Services Centers for Women Entrepreneurship (CSEM) of Central America
- Developing hydrothermal resources in albania with innovative methodologies (B.A.ZH. NGO – Albania and University of Padua)
- Sustainable Community management of the National Submarine Park “La Caleta” (Reef Check - Dominican Republic)



- Constructed wetlands - Natural water purification systems (ARPAT, Regional Agency for the Environmental Protection of Tuscany)
- *Compagnia dei Parchi* for sustainable tourism (Compagnia dei Parchi S.C.R.L.)
- Community stakeholding for managing local services (Belvedere S.p.A.)
- Soil bioengineering - Appropriate and sustainable technology to reduce soil vulnerability (DIAF, Department of Agriculture and Forestry Engineering of the University of Florence and AUCS Onlus, University association for cooperation and development)
- The University of Crafts and Trades - Promoting know-how and cultural identity (Quito University of Crafts and Trades – Ecuador and Cuba).



The use of the IDEASS Catalogue in the territorial strategic planning effort of the Shkodra and Vlore Regions will continue in the framework of the regional development process.

For further information, please consult the 2 official websites of the Strategic Plans of the Shkodra and Vlore Regions:

www.shkodraregionstrategicplanning.eu

www.vloraregionstrategicplanning.eu

