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of the first meeting of the Thematic Coordination Point for Energy & Environment of Alps-Adriatic-Allinace

Meeting has been held in Čakovec, on Thursday, 12th of June 2014 with a beginning at 11 am, in "Small Hall" on the 1st floor of Medjimurje County residence.

Participants:

Nataša Krobot Hrastić (KKC) Radovan List (KKC) Ivana Horvat (REGEA-KZC) Márton Pusztavámi (AGROETANOL KFT) Bojan Vogrinčič (LEA Pomurje) Saša Kek (SOS) Helmut Serro (AKL Abt.8) Vesna Haluga (Medjimurje County) Thomas Pseiner (AAA) Darko Radanović (Medjimurje County) Mario Klobučarić (MENEA)

<u>Agenda:</u>

- 1. Welcome Addresses
- 2. About Medjimurje County and Medjimurje Energy Agency
- 3. In general about the Alps-Adriatic-Allinace Secretary General
- 4. Planned activities for the TCP Energy & Environment
- 5. Introduction and suggestions from the TCP members and region representatives
- 6. Discussion and any other business

Meeting began at 11 am with welcome speech given by the director of MENEA, Mr. Mario Klobučarić. The accent has been put on getting to know one another and establishing contacts.

After that mr. Klobučarić presented head of the Department of Economic Activities of Medjimurje County, Mrs. Vesna Haluga who addressed the participants with a few sentences. After wishing everybody welcome she briefly presented the activities of Medjimurje County and commended the work of MENEA and the coordination of AAA.

The director of MENEA, Mr. Mario Klobučarić held a brief presentation on MENEA, introducing the present gathering with the establishment of MENEA, previous work, objectives and activities, projects which were implemented or are being implemented at this moment, potentials in Medjimurje County considering EE and RES and future steps.

Then Mr. Thomas Pseiner, as Secretary General, addressed the gathering with a few introductory words. He gave a short overview on AAA, put an accent on using a joint budget, presenting and appointment of TCP. Considering implementation of future projects he stressed the importance of quality of joint project applications with a bit more time spent rather than quantity which often doesn't result in success.

After that the presentation of participants has begun. Each addressed the gathering with a few words presenting him or her, their institution / agency / organization and gave a short overview on past experiences, projects, goals and interest in AAA.

Mr. Klobučarić then thanked everyone on presentation and invited all of the participants to manifest themselves on a way to connect and establish cooperation. It has been proposed that everybody manifest themselves and deliver the data on their role in their region, the amount of experience and influence and their future goals. Possible connection through database, web-site, etc. has been mentioned.

Then a discussion begun on connecting and information exchange through web-site, the way in which it is possible to implement it, etc. in which Mr. Pseiner, Mrs. Kek, Mr. Serro and Mr. Klobučarić participated. It has been agreed that everyone will fulfill the provided tables with information on institution, contact person, implemented projects, experiences, future goals in order to get an insight in common ideas and goals with which it is possible to compete towards the EU funds. Example TCPs from tourism were mentioned (Mrs. Kek), usage of PIC numbers, budget, involvement of public, workshops and events.

Mr. Vogrinčič reflected on the importance of connection of the subjects and participants at the events, Mr. Radanović mentioned possible meetings and workshops by organizing energy events, such as Energy days or Energy weeks. It has been decided that an Energy day in every partner's region will be organized.

Mrs. Kek mentioned the question of the environment which was left in the shadow of EE and RES. Everybody agreed that adequate attention will be given to environment in project application procedures holding that it is not less important, although Mr. Serro mentioned that EU funds, at this moment, give a lot of attention to the development and usage of EE and RES.

Natura 2000 program has been mentioned then, short overviews on tourism and examples in Slovenia have been given, and Mr. Pseiner mentioned once again an importance of contact list and contact points in future cooperation.

Mr. Klobučarić thanked everyone for coming, for active contribution at the meeting and ended the meeting at 11:55 am.

Minutes taker: Alen Višnjić (MENEA)

Čakovec, 12.06.2014.

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