### **Outputs**

Selected Main Outputs translated to all BSR languages for BSR-wide transfer/ application:

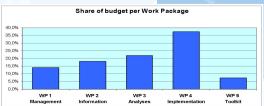
- > ICT-based supporting toolkit for considering climate change in local and regional decision making processes
- > Easy-to-use strategic climate change tool for decisions in the business sector
- > Easy-to-apply criteria to analyse sustainable development in spatial planning and development
- Specific and easy-to-use and apply step-wise approach for climate change vulnerability assessments in BSR cities and rural areas
- > Supporting and training material for climate change impact assessment and step-wise approach on vulnerability assessment in BSR cities and rural areas

### **Budget**

The budget of BalticClimate is planned to be contributed to from ERDF, ENPI as well as own contributions of all Project Partners and amounts to a total of 4.440.720 €.

It reflects an equal involvement of all participating countries as well as an adequate and sufficient budget per Work Package.

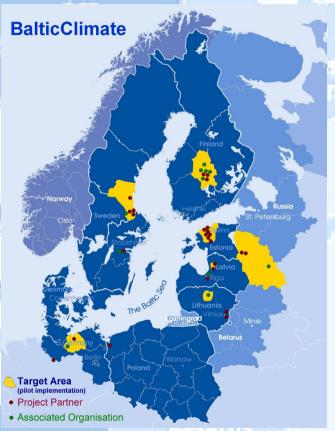




### "Climate Change:

The local and regional levels make the difference" (cf. BSSSC Annual Conference 2007)

BalticClimate project consortium consist of 25 partners from 8 countries supplemented by Associated Organisations. Practical application, pilot implementation and testing of tools in local regional Target Areas will ensure optimisation of BSR-wide transferability.



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project proposal

## **BalticClimate**

Baltic Challenges and Chances for local and regional development generated by Climate Change

"...improving the BSR living and investment conditions and competitiveness"

#### Theme and addressed Problem

Society is grappling with how to deal with climate change – not as an unsolvable problem, but as a manageable situation.

Guidelines for the general direction of action developed on the international or national level are a first step, but do not equal practical implementation.

The local and regional level lack support, resources, knowledge and experience on how to deal with climate change both in everyday practice and long-term development.

Additionally, few have taken it a step further to pro-actively respond to the climate change phenomenon in a way that looks at the opportunities and suitable actions taken might also bring benefit for the long-term development of the economies, environment and social sector.

#### **Methods**

The methodological approach of BalticClimate includes (amongst others):

- an integrated (territorial and cross-sectoral) approach,
  - urban-rural cooperation,
- similar and common problem-solving methods to improve the transnational value.
- the application and testing of existing and newly created "tools" (in Target Areas and by implementation cases),
- scientific assistance under the mutual feedback principle, and
- making project outputs transferable and applicable to achieve similar results in all BSR countries



### **Objectives**

## "Climate change: from global challenge to local chances and actions"

BalticClimate will target mainly small and medium sized cities and rural areas in all BSR countries to support their development.

The following Main Objectives of BalticClimate can be identified:

- To enable BSR municipalities, regions and local actors to deal with the climate change issue in a cooperative, integrated and sustainable way.
- To make the climate change phenomenon understood as challenge, as well as a chance for local and regional overall and sustainable development.
- To make BSR municipalities and regions more competitive for future challenges to maintain and enhance the common existing BSR identity.

### BSR-wide direct transfer and application

A guiding strategy of BalticClimate is to develop outputs which are transferable to the entire BSR.

Elaborated tools which deal with the climate change phenomenon in a pro-active way plus supporting and training material are translated to all BSR languages, end-user tested in all BSR countries and improved for easy application on local and regional level.

Through dissemination in large numbers directly to the implementing level (esp. local and regional authorities, actors and stakeholders) in various formats (digital, printed) in all BSR countries the project results achieved in the Target Areas will be multiplied to be achievable in all BSR municipalities and regions.

This will directly maintain and further improve the BSR living and investment conditions and competitiveness by short-term effects as well as for the long-term perspective.

### **Work Packages and Management**

All project activities are grouped into parallel running and interlinked Work Packages (WP), coordinated by a transnational management structure. Each WP is led by a Project Partner from a different country.

### WP 1 "Management and Administration"

Overall coordination, handling of formalities, reports and technical requirements, detailing and updating the working plan and structure, steering meetings



Leader: Academy for Spatial Research and Planning/ Germany

#### WP 2 "Communication and information"

Dissemination strategy and activities: e.g. in print/ digital, website, translations, TV broadcasts/ trailers, public events, toolkit to local/ regional actors, internal communication



Leader: Vides Projekti/ Latvia

# WP 3 "Climate Change material and analyses" Providing supporting and training material, easy to

apply approaches for impact and vulnerability assessments, scientific/ research base, consultation



Leader: Centre of Climate Science and Policy Research (CSPR)/ Sweden

# WP 4 "Integrated Solutions and Capitalisation of Climate Change"

Applying/ testing loc./ reg. decision support and CC-SWOT tools, new business ideas from CC, trainings, workshops, implementation cases in Target Areas



Leader: Regional Council of Central Finland (RCCF)

## WP 5 "Climate Change BSR local and regional applying ICT Toolkit"

Optimising BSR-wide transferability of outputs/ tools from WP 3 and WP 4 according to end-user requirements (all BSR languages) and testing phases



Leader: Stockholm Environment Institute Tallinn Office (SEIT)/ Estonia