Climate change in nature parks of the Republic of Croatia: management and development options – Parkadapt2

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Project goal

The Parkadapt2 project aims to explore the best world and EU practices in the planning and management of nature parks, adapted to climate change, including a list of the most common and most significant recognized impacts and adaptation measures. The objective of the project is to explore the state of integration of the climate change topic into the nature park management plans in the Republic of Croatia, in the segments of the identification and monitoring of impacts, trends, risks and opportunities, the implementation of mitigation and adaptation measures and educational activities. The goal is also to strengthen the capacity of nature parks in the Republic of Croatia through the dissemination, discussion and application of the acquired knowledge and experience through the Pilot Project in the Nature Park Medvednica and to strengthen the capacity of nature parks for the preparation and application to EU funding programs with a thematic focus on the adaptation of protected areas management to climate changes.





Implemented project activities and project results from May 2016 to December 2016

As part of the Parkadapt2 project, an analysis of existing experiences related to monitoring and adaptation of climate change management in protected areas in the EU and in the world was conducted. The situation regarding the topic in nature parks in Croatia was explored and a basis for the development of guidelines for future management planning was prepared.

The current state of perception and monitoring and the consequences of climate change in nature parks in the Republic of Croatia were analysed and an analysis of their management plans was carried out, with basic management issues - objectives and measures, action plans and all management plans were reviewed and described to assess whether in the situation analysing they identify and mention problems, (ii) impact, (iii) adaptation measures or (iv) methodology for monitoring changes related to climate change and their impact on flora and fauna, the park and people, related to the consequences of climate change and whether their goals, measures or the action plan mention climate change.

As part of the 17th meeting of the Medvednica Nature Park Stakeholders' Forum, held on December 7, 2016, the lecture "Adaptations to Climate Change: National Parks and Nature Parks" was held.

The project "Centre for creative and cultural industries for the development of the cultural heritage of castles and fortresses for educational and tourism purposes" - CEKIN was submitted in the scope of the Interreg V-A Slovenia-Croatia Cooperation Program. IRMO is one of the project partners, as well as the Nature Park Medvednica. This activity enables the capacity building of the Nature Park Medvednica for the design and application of projects.





