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8. CIVINET forum SARAJEVO

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A YOUNG CITY WITH COAL MINNING HEART AND A STRONG VISION.

- Great economic development with the coal mine opening.
- Railway connection due to coal industry.
- Course of development lead to building a modern city for inhabitants and miners from all over Yugoslavia.
- Velenje is a city of volunteers as it was built by many of them.
- Special architectural style of late modernism, designed as a city in a park.
Civil ecological protests were organized in 1980’s. Result: adoption of remediation acts to improve the quality of environment (air, water, soil).

The coalmining damaged and polluted the valley severely.

Velenje became a good example of successful environmental remediation in the European area.
VELENJE BEACH – 6x reward for best natural bathing area
The transition of a coal city – GREEN, SMART, INNOVATIVE 2033
Innovative, green, and sustainable solutions require a change in mindset.
Mestna občina Ljubljana

MESTNA OBČINA KRAJN

MESTNA OBČINA VELIJE
Program Pilot cities:

Projekt UpScale – Urban Pioneers – Systemic Change Amid Livable Environments

„United in diversity“
- the motto of the European Union
Program Pilot Cities: Projekt UpScale

- 3 cities, 2 expert partners
- Partnership: 1,5 MIO EUR, 350.000 EUR for MOV

Main goal: Climate neutrality journey becoming more effective, transparent and responsive.

Focus of Velenje:
- Consumption of thermal energy used in buildings.
- Tool for data management.
- Upgrade of the Energy office into Climate-Energy Office.

A data driven solution will be used to show the impacts the community and each individual has on co-creation of a more sustainable future.
Mission 100 Climate neutral and Smart Cities
FIELDS OF ACTION IN VELENJE

Energy
Traffic
Waste and circular economy
Build environment
Green infrastructure and NBS
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**NASLEDNJI KORAKI**

- Action plan
- Investment plan
- Climate City Contract 2024
- Implementation of measures
„A good city is like a good party. People don‘t want to leave early.“

Jan Gehl

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