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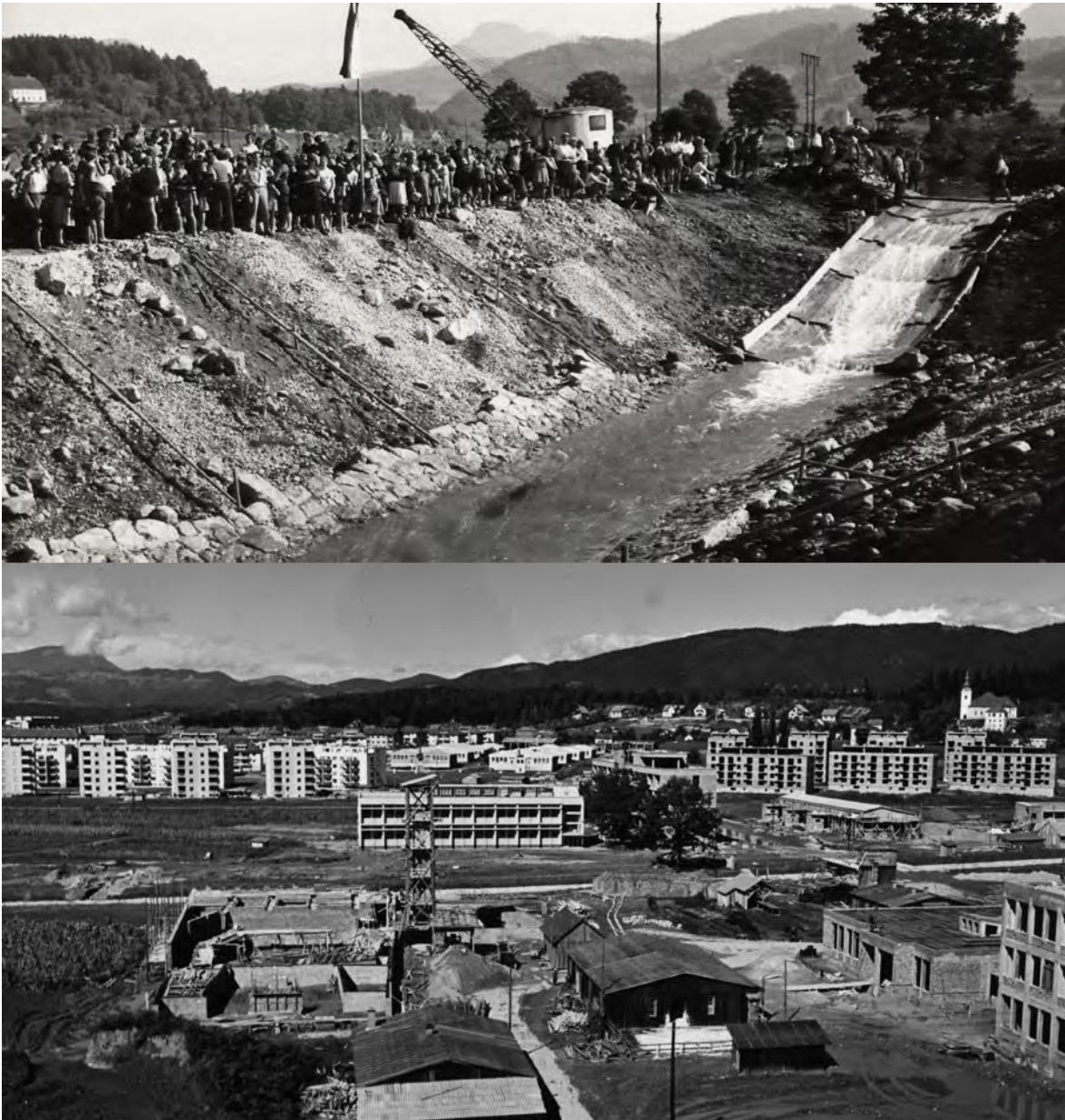
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CITY'S ORIGIN

A YOUNG CITY WITH COAL MINING 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.





ECOLOGICAL REVOLUTION – ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION

FROM BLACK TO GREEN AND BRIGHT.

The coalmining damaged
and polluted the valley
severely.

Civil ecological protests were
organized in 1980's.

Result: adoption of
remediation acts to improve
the quality of environment
(air, water, soil).



Velenje became a good example of successful
environmental remediation in the european area.



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VELENJE BEACH – 6x reward for best natural bathing area





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The transition of a coal city – GREEN, SMART, INNOVATIVE



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Innovative, green,
and sustainable solutions
require a change
in mindset.



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Program Pilot cities:

Projekt UpScale – Urban Pioneers – Systemic Change Amid Livable Environments



Velenje



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Kranj

„United in diversity “

- the motto of the European Union



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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.





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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



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„A good city is like a good party.
People don't want to leave early.“

Jan Gehl



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