

LLI-10 Introducing nature tourism for all UniGreen

Competence & promotion activities (WP T1)

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Objective of the WP



Increase competence of tourism sector in offering infrastructure, services & products for people with disabilities & implement series of activities which support promotion of nature tourism in our regions

Three activities:

T1.1 – Trainings and workshops

T1.2 – Learning best practice

T1.3 – Marketing activities

06.06.17.

28.08.17.

28.09.17.

01.05.17.-31.12.18.

T1.2.3

T1.2.2
T1.2.4

01.08.17.-28.09.18.

01.08.17.-28.01.19.



Key deliverables of the WP

40 trained tour guides

60 participants at workshops

50 participants at conference

80 tourism specialists participated in experience exchange visits

Guidelines to adopt infrastructure & tourism products to people with disabilities

Image guide in EN, LV, LT (20000)

Trail maps in EN, LV, LT (219250)

Leaflet in standard & Braille script (500)

Braille maps (500)

QR codes in EN, LV, LT

Audio material in EN, LV (7)

GPX files for trails (50)



T1.1 Trainings & workshops to adopt tourism infrastructure & services for people with disabilities

LP

- Tour guides (25) training in LV
- 2 workshops in LV (60) for tourism entrepreneurs and municipal tourism specialists

PP11&2,3,5

- Educational programmes for guides & target group (2)
- Practical training – excursions for guides (2)

PP11

- Tour guides (15) training in LT



T1.1 Trainings & workshops to adopt tourism infrastructure & services for people with disabilities

T1.1.1

Trained tour guides



Be a better guide

Starts 06.2017

LP

- 25 trained tour guides
- 7 training sessions, each 3 days long in LV
- 1 on-site tour in LT, incl. meetings with nature guides and tourism representatives in partner organisations
- 1st training session in Period 1, 2 sessions in Period 2, 3 sessions in Period 3, 2 sessions in Period 4
- Topics: nature interpretation, different target groups and their needs and psychology, specific needs of people with disabilities, organisation and management of nature exposition
- Selection of participants: open registration to be announced, advantage to guides having basic knowledge for guiding in Kurzeme region

T1.1 Trainings & workshops to adopt tourism infrastructure & services for people with disabilities

T1.1.2 Trained tour guides for LT participants

T1.1.3 Educational programmes

T1.1.4 Practical training



Starts Period 2

PP11&2,3,5

- In LT
- 15 trained tour guides (10 days) on methods of preparing and guiding excursions, specific knowledge on how to guide excursions to people with visibility problems
- 2 *educational* sessions (each 1 day long) for participating guides and locals on how blind people act
- 2 practical trainings – excursions for guides to lead a group of people with physical and visibility problems in Žemaitija National Park

T1.1 Trainings & workshops to adopt tourism infrastructure & services for people with disabilities

T1.1.5 Participants in workshops

- In LV
- 60 participants
- 2 events (each 1 day long)
- Topic – specific needs of people with disabilities
- Target group:
 - tourism entrepreneurs to consider improving their services to host people with disabilities
 - municipal tourism specialists in Kurzeme region to use the lessons learned when developing new tourism infrastructure and promotional materials

WORKSHOP



Starts Period 2

LP

T1.2 Learning best practice



LP

- Guidelines for nature territories to adopt infrastructure & tourism products for people with disabilities

LP&PP3

- Experience exchange visit in Finland (30)

PP5&LP

- Experience exchange visit in LV (25)
- Experience exchange visit in LT (25)

PP11

- Conference on tourism infrastructure and people with disabilities (50)

T1.2 Learning best practice

T1.2.1 Participants in experience exchange visit in Kurzeme



- 25 tourism specialists from Klaipeda region municipalities and partners' organisations in LT
- 2 days
- Topic – exploring the nature tourism destinations, best nature tourism products, challenges for adopting the infrastructure, services and products for people with disabilities
- LP covers accommodation
- PP5 covers the bus
- To agree on programme & visits, select participants

01.04.2018

PP5&LP

T1.2 Learning best practice

T1.2.2 Participants in experience exchange visit in LT



- 25 tourism specialists from Kurzeme region municipalities and partners' organisations in LV
- Topic – exploring best practice in nature tourism infrastructure development in LT
- LP covers the bus
- PP5 covers accommodation
- To agree on programme & visits, select participants

28.09.2017

PP5&LP

T1.2 Learning best practice

T1.2.3 Participants in experience exchange visit in Finland



- 30 tourism specialists from LV and LT
- 5 days
- PP3 covers the bus
- Aim - to raise competence among tourism specialists working with nature tourism development
- To agree on programme & visits, select participants

28.08.2017

LP&PP3

T1.2 Learning best practice

T1.2.4 Participants in conference

- 50 municipal and nature protected areas tourism specialists from LV and LT, including tourism service providers, infrastructure developers, national level tourism organisations
- All partners to participate
- In EN
- 1,5 days
- Topics – launching discussions and paying attention to challenges of tourism sector to adapt tourism infrastructure and offers to people with disabilities, sharing of good practice, on-site visit, partners meeting on project progress
- To agree on programme, on-site visit, lecturers, participants



28.09.2017

PP11

T1.3 Marketing activities to promote nature tourism possibilities

LP

- Inspection round trips to evaluate trails and collect info (10)
- Image guide in EN, LV, LT (20000)
- Audio material in EN, LV (7)
- GPX files for trails (50)

LP&2,3,5,11

- Trail maps in EN, LV, LT (219250)

PP3

- QR codes with an audio material in EN, LV, LT (3)

PP11

- Leaflet in standard & Braille script (500)
- Braille maps (500)



T1.3 Marketing activities to promote nature tourism possibilities

T1.3.1 Inspection round trips



- Up to 10 round-trips for ~ 30 spots
- To evaluate trails and collect info, incl. pictures, necessary for marketing activities
- Through whole year to evaluate trail conditions in various seasons
- Which target groups can be hosted
- Result – info prepared for up to 30 trails in Kurzeme and further used for developing the image guide and trail maps. Recommendations for owners/managers to improve the trail in a way it could meet the target group expectations and needs

Starts August
2017

LP

T1.3 Marketing activities to promote nature tourism possibilities

T1.3.2 Image guide



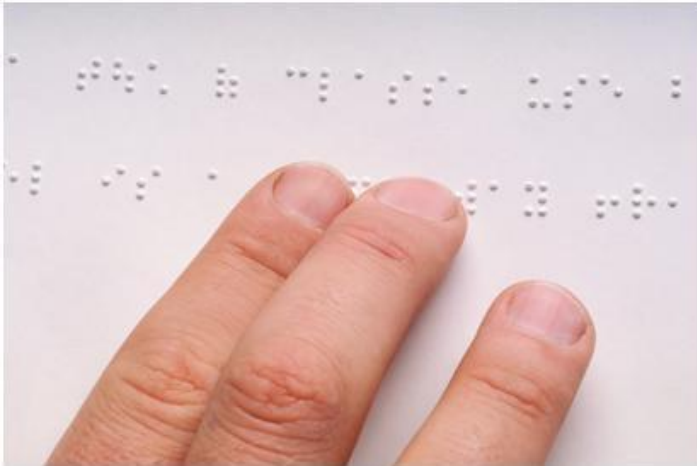
Starts August
2017

LP

- 20 000 copies
- Available also online
- LV, LT, EN
- A4-A5 with ~ 24 pages
- Will contain introductory info, overall maps, pictures
- Will cover all partner territories to introduce our regions as destinations offering wide variety of nature experience and are accessible to people with disabilities
- To be distributed in tourism info centers, travel fairs

T1.3 Marketing activities to promote nature tourism possibilities

T1.3.4 Leaflet in standard & Braille



- 500 copies
- A4 (in standard & Braille script = 2 in 1)
- Short description about trails and all territory of Žemaitija National Park
- Target group – people with eyesight problems

Starts Period 3

PP11

T1.3 Marketing activities to promote nature tourism possibilities

T1.3.5 Braille maps



- 500 copies
- A4 (in standard & Braille script = 2 in 1)
- Printed embossed trail route maps with marked places of interest
- 2 trails (250 copies each)
- Target group – people with eyesight problems

Starts Period 3

PP11

T1.3 Marketing activities to promote nature tourism possibilities

T1.3.6 QR codes

T1.3.7 Audio material



Starts Period 2

PP3 & LP

- 3 **QR codes** printed on water/sun safe material and attached to an existing info stand with info about Kirkilai karstic lakes
- Audio material also available online
- In LV, LT, EN

- **Audio material** for 7 – 10 nature sites
- In LV, EN
- Printed and attached to new or existing info stands

- Target group – people with eyesight problems

T1.3 Marketing activities to promote nature tourism possibilities

T1.3.8 Electronic format files for trails



- 50 trails
- All mapped trails (T1.3.3) prepared as GPX files
- Distributed through existing mobile and web apps

Starts Period 3

LP