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# Physical Infrastructure

## Overall Objective

Promote physical infrastructure investments through support programs for the empowerment of tourist, historical, cultural and natural potentials as well as the promotion of authentic values of Region 3.

The growth of tourism potential through the support of local entrepreneurship in order to improve the quality of tourist services and increase the number of tourists in RDA3.

## Project Description

**Component 1 encompasses the requalification and rehabilitation of the following roadways:**

- Rehabilitation with cobblestone of Korçë – Vithkuq and Dardhë – Nikolicë roadways;
- Rehabilitation of the roadway Pogradec – Shën Marena Monastery;
- Interconnections of national roadway Kukës - Qafë Pllaçë with Ura e Golikut and Varet e Selcës;
- The Devolli Ring: Hoçisht-Ziçisht-Miras-Nikolicë-Arzë-Dardhë;
- National roadway Prespë e Vogël (Tren-Buzë Liqenas);
- Road infrastructure that increases the access into tourist villages:
  - Kapinovë;
  - Dardhë;
  - Roshnik;
  - Drobonik;
  - Mali i Bardhë (Sinjë);
- Roadway connecting Elbasan to Byshek, Funar, Qerret, Gjinar, Bukanik destinations;
- Cërrik – Topojan Church roadway;
- Roadway connecting the centre of Gramsh

*municipality with Sotira Waterfall (visit towards Tomorri Mountain);*

- Construction of Bardhaj-Kabash roadway (Kabashi Cave);
- Roadway Librazhd – Qarrishtë (Entrance to the Shebenik Jabllanicë National Park);
- Requalification of Skrapar – Berat roadway;
- Requalification of Belsh Lakes road ring;
- Skrapar – Korçë roadway;
- Skrapar – Gramsh roadway;

**Component 2 encompasses tourist bike and pedestrian pathways of Region 3 (Korça-Elbasan-Berat)**

- Rehabilitation of internal pedestrian pathways in Vithkuq;
- Bike and pedestrian pathways in Libonik-Maliq-Pylli i Fazanëve;
- Bike and pedestrian tourist pathways connecting Berat to Gorica Castle and the surrounding hills;

**Component 3 encompasses the construction of bus terminals in Region 3 (Korça-Elbasan-Berat)**

- Construction of bus service multimodal terminal of Korça Municipality;
- Construction of bus service multimodal terminal of Elbasan Municipality;
- Construction of bus service multimodal terminal of Berat Municipality;

**Component 4 encompasses the restoration of traditional buildings of cultural, historical and religious heritage of Region 3 (Korça-Elbasan-Berat)**

- Berat: The Historical Centre which includes the Castle, Mangalem, Gorice, ex Water Tank, ex Shëngjergji Monastery and The Secret Exit areas;





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- *Korçë: The Communism Museum;*
- *Pogradec City facade restoration of museum neighborhoods: Topleci neighbourhood and Naim Frasheri street.*
- *Elbasan Castle;*

**Component 5 encompasses the rehabilitation and revitalizing of the centers and touristic villages of the following areas.**

- *Berat: Kapinovë, Dardhë, Sinjë, Roshnik, Drobonik*
- *Skrapar: Touristic center in Bogovë*
- *Maliq: The village of Kolanec*
- *Devoll: The villages of Ziçisht, Hoçisht*
- *Elbasan: Funar, Gjinar, Llixhë*

**Component 6 encompasses the creation and the improving of the services in the Inns and in the entertainment unit in the following areas:**

- *Kuçovë: The forest Zdravë, Sinec – Administrative Unit Lumas, Perondi, Kozarë*
- *Poliçan: The Inns in two touristic villages Kapinovë and Tomorr*
- *Librazhd: The inns of the National Parc Shebenik-Jabllanicë*
- *Prrerjas: The inns and entertainment unit of Rrapi i Bërzeshtës.*
- *Elbasan: Kala Quarter, Gjinar, Llixha, Funar, Qerreti*

The project includes not merely the process of transformation, reparation, improvement, the restoration of identity of objects and valuable tourist areas, but also the process of revival of their in order to include them actively and usefully into the daily life. These processes makes it possible for the objects and tourist areas, to become visible, valued and inspire adoration in order to want to spend more time close to them, have side accessories that serve to strengthen the economy of the city or area, then be revitalized.

### Project Implementation Modality

Our implementation methodology is based on the continuous cooperation with the development partners and stakeholders (Municipalities, Regions, NGOs and Business community). The vision and work coordination of Region 3 directly with the Municipalities through the joint compilation of the Action Plan, is of imperative and essential importance.

### Preliminary Impacts

- *Transforming Region 3 into the most attractive and most developed Albanian tourist area;*
- *Fostering the appropriate environment for reducing the gap between urban and rural areas;*
- *Increasing the connectivity intensity throughout Region3;*
- *Facilitating the service and effectiveness in terms of times and costs;*
- *Increasing road safety;*
- *Significant reduction of environmental pollution;*
- *Transforming the RDA3 into the most attractive tourist area and most developed in Albania;*
- *Increasing the number of tourists;*
- *Increasing the income from tourists and residents;*
- *Improving the quality of the life of the permanent residents.*

### Required Inputs:

- *Financial resources from government and foreign donors;*
- *Human resources at expert levels (construction engineers, urbanists etc.)*
- *National and sector strategy.*
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- *Human resources in experts level*
- *National and regional strategies*



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