WHAT DID WE DO?

- In discussion with stakeholders identify the need for improved recreational possibilities in Ljubljana Marsh area, and conflicts among different uses of the area
- Spatial analysis, local development plans analysis, interviews in the involved municipalities to gain input for the thematic GI concept
- Determine potentials & limitations for development of GI elements to support recreation & leisure activities & development strategies and plans
- Define GI elements for 3 groups of users → design a holistic plan
- Apply participatory process – 2 workshops (discussing PA1 and PA2), research lab, interviews with concerned inhabitants & stakeholders
- Seek possibilities to transfer the results to local and sub regional spatial planning (management of the Ljubljana Marsh Nature Park)

BEHAVIOR MAPPING

- Established tool to evaluate carrying capacity of place for occupancy on micro scale
- Two separate locations, valuable for high natural and ecological values affected by high number of visitors
- Results presented and discussed with concerned stakeholders in a joint workshop
- Input for thematic GI concept – subregional scale

RESEARCH LAB AT PILOT SITE

- A tool to identify the needs and spatial requirements of visitors
- Assess the location by organizing an experimental event on a typically busy summer day and involve the inhabitants and visitors to participate in a survey, dialog with researchers, mapping, labelling the space,...
- Input for thematic GI concept – subregional scale

THEMATIC GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE CONCEPT FOR RECREATION

- Enables effective analysis (as a tool) and a coordinated proposal (as a result) for GI development within peri-urban landscapes
- Focus on leisure and recreational purpose is based on different spatial and stakeholder analyses defining the context of the wider pilot area, its spatial characteristics and recognized development trends
- Designed from three diverse users’ perspectives: (1) local population (focus on living quality), (2) visitors from Ljubljana and towns (recreational and leisure use), (3) visitors for the purpose of sightseeing (tourists, excursions) → united final concept
- Exploring possibilities of using the GI plan for better use of potentials and overcoming the obstacles to synergies between nature conservation and use of peri-urban landscapes

OUR CHALLENGES AND AIMS

To develop and test the usefulness of Thematic GI concept:

- for improving recreation potential and living quality in the area – for inhabitants of wider area and visitors
- as a tool for spatial planning and management - for providing spatial conditions for recreation and sustainable tourism
- as a tool for connecting and coordinating spatial development among 7 municipalities and municipalities & region

FOCUS: GI supporting recreational and other leisure activities in the protected peri-urban landscape

DESIRABLE RESULT: Achieving balanced development, living quality & nature protection

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