

# ZAGREB URBAN AGGLOMERATION DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE PERIOD UP TO 2020

## Summary



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## The Mayor's Address

Dear reader/s,

Zagreb today has all the features of a metropolis. It is well connected to its surrounding area, and it can by no means be regarded as a separate entity. It is interconnected with the two neighbouring counties - Zagreb and Krapina-Zagorje counties - in several ways. Namely, we witness the daily and very frequent circulation of citizens, products and information and, consequently, we see the development of a common infrastructure and the creation of harmonized plans on all aspects which are important for the quality of life of our citizens.

Subsequently, the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration encompassing the City of Zagreb as the agglomeration centre and 29 other towns and municipalities of the Zagreb and Krapina-Zagorje counties, was established in 2016. In December 2017, the City of Zagreb Assembly adopted the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Strategy for the Period up to 2020, and this document contains its summary.

Respecting the specific features and recognisable identity of all local communities involved, the Strategy provides basic guidelines for the development of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration for the period up to 2020, treating the Agglomeration area as a unique entity which stretches beyond administrative boundaries and local interests. This document sets out development objectives and priorities and addresses the needs of citizens.

The Zagreb Urban Agglomeration area cultivates a major economic, social, and ecological potential which requires sustainable and innovative development and reinforces quality relations and co-

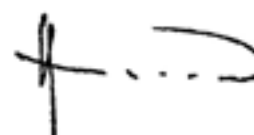
operation between towns and municipalities. Transport and utility infrastructure, public resource management, housing, economy, ecology, environmental protection, protection of natural and cultural heritage are all issues which are not related to administrative boundaries but require a common platform for addressing the issues. By implementing the Strategy and reinforcing urban and rural connections, the spatial pressure placed on Zagreb will be reduced, distributed more efficiently and resources will be utilized more sustainably. Consequently, the potentiality of areas involved in the agglomeration will have a facilitated activation.

Partnership between cities and municipalities covered by the Urban Agglomeration is a recipe for success and achievement of results. As a result of partner cooperation, the Strategy enables us to mobilize EU funds more efficiently, in particular the allocated amount of almost one billion HRK from the Mechanism of Integrated Territorial Investments (ITIs), dedicated to the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration projects in the field of entrepreneurship, employment, transport infrastructure, energy efficiency and education.

I would like to thank everyone who helped and contributed to the preparation of this complex document, primarily the mayors and heads of the towns and municipalities involved, and Mr Stjepan Kožić, County Prefect of the Zagreb County, and Mr Željko Kolar, County Prefect of the Krapina-Zagorje County. Furthermore, I would like to thank the members of the Working Group and the Partners' Council as well as other town, municipality and

county representatives involved for their exceptional and unselfish contribution in the preparation of the Strategy. Also, I would like to extend my thanks to the City Office for Strategic Planning and Development of the City as the coordinator of the drawing-up process, to associates from the scientific community and civil society, and especially to citizens who, by presenting their proposals, articulated their own interests.

This document obliges us to cooperate even more intensely not only in realizing the jointly appointed strategic projects, but also the smaller ones in the towns and municipalities which contribute to local community development, and thus the development of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration as a whole. All of us who are involved in the process share the same interest because we understand that a developed agglomeration contributes to the prosperity of all its inhabitants, regardless of whether they live in Zagreb, Jastrebarsko or Zabok. Only in this way can we accomplish the following objective: the whole area of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration to be uniformly developed and comfortable for good quality of life and work.



**Milan Bandić,**  
Mayor of the City of Zagreb



# Purpose of Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy

In the past, the area of the City of Zagreb and its present surrounding counties had varied spatial coverage and administrative and territorial boundaries. In order to cover an area that communicates most intensely and to establish a more effective dialogue as the basis for joint planning of sustainable and integrated development, in accordance with the Act on the Regional Development of the Republic of Croatia, the City of Zagreb started the procedure of strategic planning of sustainable urban development by establishing the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration, modelled on examples from numerous European states.

Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy for the Period up to 2020 is a regional development policy plan that establishes development goals and priorities for the urban area of Zagreb in order to strengthen its development potential.

The main purpose of the Strategy is to enhance connections of the City of Zagreb with the surrounding area and, through joint planning and problem addressing, to improve the quality of life in the whole area of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration. Its adoption is the precondition for using EU funds, in particular grants from the Mechanism of Integrated Territorial Investments (ITI Mechanism) in the amount of almost HRK 1 billion.

# Scope of Zagreb Urban Agglomeration

**THE SCOPE OF THE AGGLOMERATION** was defined and established in 2016 in accordance with the prescribed methodology.

Zagreb Urban Agglomeration includes the City of Zagreb as the seat of the Agglomeration and parts of the Zagreb and Krapina-Zagorje counties. More specifically, the Agglomeration encompasses a total of 30 local government units - 11 cities and 19 municipalities:

City of Zagreb, City of Donja Stubica, City of Dugo Selo, City of Jastrebarsko, City of Oroslavje, City of Samobor, City of Sveta Nedelja, City of Sveti Ivan Zelina, City of Velika Gorica, City of Zabok, City of Zaprešić, Municipality of Bistra, Municipality of Brckovljani, Municipality of Brdovec, Municipality of Dubravica, Municipality of Gornja Stubica, Municipality of Jakovlje, Municipality of Klinča Sela, Municipality of Kravarsko, Municipality of Luka, Municipality of Marija Bistrica, Municipality of Marija Gorica, Municipality of Orle, Municipality of Pisarovina, Municipality of Pokupsko, Municipality of Pušća, Municipality of Rugvica, Municipality of Stubičke Toplice, Municipality of Stupnik and Municipality of Veliko Trgovišće.

Surface area of the Agglomeration is **2,911.3 km<sup>2</sup>**. It is home to **1,086,528 inhabitants** (Census 2011), and it is the largest and most important urban area in Croatia.





# Concept and Development of Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy



City of Zagreb was the lead partner in the process of the composition of the Urban Agglomeration Strategy, and the City Office for Strategic Planning and Development of the City was its coordinator and developer.

The Strategy was created in a partnership and participative process involving many stakeholders from the public, business, and civil sector at the local and county level but also at the national level. In collaboration with the scientific community, expert groundwork for the Strategy was prepared and expert advice was acquired through inquiries and counselling. The partnership approach used in the preparation of this document defined the goals and priorities of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration development, which will be realized through the implementation of measures elaborated within each priority. All information on activities, as well as working documents, were regularly published on the official website of the City of Zagreb.

The Strategy was developed in line with the Guidelines on Drafting, Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation of Urban Area Development Strategies and, in addition to prescribed chapters, it contains maps and an overview of strategic topics and network projects.

Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy for the Period up to 2020 includes three basic units:

status analysis and SWOT analysis, a strategic framework, and its implementation part.

As a key stage of the Strategy, the strategic framework contains the vision, strategic objectives, development priorities and measures. Vision and strategic objectives were formulated for the long run, and development priorities and measures represent an action framework. More specifically, they represent a list of indicative activities planned for the period up to 2020.

Within the activities, programmes and projects defined by stakeholders through the partnership and participatory approaches, nine strategic projects have been set up. Those projects will have important developmental effects on balanced, sustainable, and innovative development, a strong positive impact on society, quality of life, the environment and economy in the area of the entire Zagreb Urban Agglomeration.

In addition to strategic projects, as a kind of an added value, 21 strategic topics of long-term interest for the predominant part of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration population were also defined. They will be realized through a series of networked activities, programmes and projects related to each strategic topic.

A strategic assessment of the impact of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy for the

Period up to 2020 on the environment was carried out as well as the previous evaluation of the Strategy.

Separate implementation documents, the Action Plan and the Communication Strategy were enclosed to the Strategy.

On a yearly basis, the results of the implementation of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy will be reported to the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Partners' Council, the Ministry in charge and the expert and wider public. Based on the Implementation Report, the annual progress in realizing the development measures and addressing development challenges will be observed



# VISION AND STRATEGIC GOALS OF ZAGREB URBAN AGGLOMERATION DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

## Vision and strategic goals are:

- **formulated for the long run**
- **determined by the consensus of all stakeholders involved.**

## VISION:

**COHERENTLY DEVELOPED METROPOLITAN AREA WITH COMMON INNOVATIVE CONCEPTS**

The definition of vision implies a coherent, sustainable and networked metropolitan area with common innovative development concepts based on the specificities of macro areas as integrating regions as well as on the particularities of accommodation and diversity of local attributes.

The aim of the joint strategic planning of the development of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration is to stimulate a more effective and balanced urban area development, which will increase the value of Zagreb surroundings and the overall urban area in the next period, as well as the overall quality of life and attractiveness related to residing, visiting, and investing.

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The vision is achieved through synergetic activity of **THREE DEFINED STRATEGIC GOALS:**

### 1<sup>st</sup> GOAL:

**IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE, PUBLIC AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND HUMAN RESOURCES**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> GOAL:

**DEVELOPMENT OF COMPETITIVE AND SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> GOAL:

**IMPROVING ENVIRONMENTAL, NATURE AND SPACE MANAGEMENT**

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The achievement of the strategic goals is anticipated through **12 development priorities and 44 measures**, or more specifically through numerous indicative activities planned for the term of Strategy up to 2020. These activities represent an action framework aimed at coherent and sustainable development of the entire agglomeration area.

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**1<sup>st</sup> GOAL:**

# Improving Quality of Life, Public and Social Infrastructure and Human Resources

This goal sets out to meet public and social needs of the population, which is one of the core tasks of local governments. Social (public) infrastructure and services are an important element of the social standard of the community, which, has great influence in terms of increasing the educational, healthcare and cultural standard and, in addition to availability and quality of housing, it affects the overall quality of life of all social groups.

The goal is to be realized through the following priorities:

- 1.1. Development of a knowledge-based society - education, lifelong learning and employability enhancement**
- 1.2. Improving public and social infrastructure and services**
- 1.3. Improving the standard of living**
- 1.4. Strengthening of social inclusion and improving the quality of life**



**1.1. Development of a knowledge-based society - education, lifelong learning and employability enhancement**

This priority encourages the inclusion of long-term unemployed persons in the labour market, increasing the employability of unemployed disadvantaged groups, strengthening of self-employment skills (particularly for unemployed persons) and improving labour market mobility.

**Measures:**

- 1.1.1. Improving the infrastructure and system of pre-school and elementary school education
- 1.1.2. Improving the infrastructure and system of secondary school, higher and lifelong education
- 1.1.3. Improving the employability of younger people, young NEETs and others from the NEET group

**1.2. Improving public and social infrastructure and services**

The implementation of this priority shall improve public and social infrastructure and services related to culture, sports and recreation, healthcare, and social welfare. The quality, efficiency and availability of cultural, sports and recreational facilities, healthcare and social services will be improved, and that will contribute to a more balanced spatial and qualitative distribution of these facilities in the Agglomeration.

**Measures:**

- 1.2.1. Improving cultural infrastructure and services
- 1.2.2. Improving sports and recreational infrastructure and services
- 1.2.3. Improving conditions for providing high-quality healthcare services

**1.3. Improving the standard of living**

This priority aims to improve the standard of living, more specifically to stimulate the construction of new residential communities/units, and to renovate, maintain and modernize the existing housing stock.

**Measures:**

- 1.3.1. Encouragement and implementation of different housing models

**1.4. Strengthening social inclusion and improving the quality of life**

The implementation of this priority will extend the capacity of the social inclusion system and beneficiary service provision. Ensuring the availability of social services will enhance the quality of life, improve social inclusion, and raise the social standard of persons in need, reduce poverty and social exclusion of vulnerable groups of citizens, reduce unemployment and increase social sensibility in relation to disadvantaged groups. In order to enhance the quality of life, the state of security will be improved.

**Measures:**

- 1.4.1. Improving the conditions for social service provision and access to high-quality social services
- 1.4.2. Improving integration into the labour market and social integration of vulnerable groups and combat discrimination
- 1.4.3. Increasing security



## 2<sup>nd</sup> GOAL:

# Development of a Competitive and Sustainable Economy

This goal aims to achieve balanced economic development and competitiveness of the entire area of the Agglomeration, thereby reducing spatial pressure on the City of Zagreb. It seeks to improve the development of entrepreneurship and small businesses, and to increase investments in science and technology development and innovation. By developing tourism and culture, this goal aims to increase the number of visitors by implementing new projects, programmes, and activities for the development of year-round tourism, restoration of cultural heritage and construction of new infrastructure. It strives for further development of agriculture and more efficient management of forests and the sustainable use of natural resources.

The goal is to be realized through the following priorities:

- 2.1. Competitive entrepreneurship
- 2.2. Scientific-technological development and innovation
- 2.3. Development of tourism and culture
- 2.4. Sustainable use of natural resources



### 2.1. Competitive entrepreneurship

The priority is to encourage the development of a coordinated network of professional entrepreneurial support institutions and other entrepreneurial infrastructures in the area of the Agglomeration, to stimulate the expansion of equipped entrepreneurial zones, the establishment of clusters, the implementation of support programmes for entrepreneurs and the promotion of social entrepreneurship.

#### Measures:

- 2.1.1. Development of advanced entrepreneurial infrastructure and services
- 2.1.2. Development of a more favourable investment environment
- 2.1.3. Promoting social entrepreneurship

### 2.2. Scientific and technological development and innovation

The aim of this priority is to increase investment in the research infrastructure and to increase the number of projects in which the industry cooperates with scientific research institutions.

#### Measures:

- 2.2.1. Strengthening the cooperation between science and business
- 2.2.2. Creating a favourable environment for the development of high-technology industries
- 2.2.3. Encouraging the development of the cultural and creative industries



### 2.3. Development of tourism and culture

The Priority "Development of tourism and culture" will stimulate tourism development in line with modern market trends, the implementation of promotional activities based on the integrated development of all forms of tourism and revitalization of cultural heritage and their more efficient management.

#### Measures:

- 2.3.1. Restructuring and repositioning of tourism and development of tourism infrastructure
- 2.3.2. Development, promotion, and networking of new tourism products and programmes
- 2.3.3. Integrated tourism development and revitalization of cultural heritage

### 2.4. Sustainable use of natural resources

This priority aims to achieve the modernization of agriculture, the increase of specialization and improvement of technological processes and development of other activities in the rural environment. Sustainable forest, water, and soil management will be stimulated.

#### Measures:

- 2.4.1. Development of agricultural and food production and product placement
- 2.4.2. More efficient management of forests with the aim of preserving the forest ecosystem
- 2.4.3. Sustainable use of water and soil



### 3<sup>rd</sup> GOAL:

## Improving Environmental, Nature and Space Management

This goal sets out to improve environmental, nature and space management by promoting protection and preservation of the environmental and natural resources, by advancements in the communal infrastructure and sustainable mobility through rational use of energy, and care for climate change, sustainable development and space management.

The goal is to be realized through the following priorities:

- 3.1. Protection and improvement of the quality of environment and nature
- 3.2. Improving the primary infrastructure system
- 3.3. Developing transport infrastructure and sustainable mobility system
- 3.4. Sustainable spatial development



### 3.1. Protection and improvement of the quality of environment and nature

This priority aims to achieve a better system of protection and management of the environment, nature, and space of protected and other particularly valuable parts of nature; to improve the protection, arrangement, and use of the Sava River, its tributaries and banks to improve waste management; to encourage the use of renewable energy and eco-friendly fuels; to increase energy efficiency and to contribute to the mitigation of climate change and their adaptation.

#### Measures:

- 3.1.1. Improving quality and raising awareness of environmental and nature conservation
- 3.1.2. Preservation and management of protected and other particularly valuable parts of nature, biological, geological, and endemic diversity
- 3.1.3. Protection, development, and use of the Sava River and its tributaries and their banks
- 3.1.4. Improving the complete waste management system
- 3.1.5. Encouraging the use of renewable energy sources and environmentally friendly fuels and increasing energy efficiency
- 3.1.6. Mitigation and adaptation to climate change and natural resources

### 3.2. Improving of the primary infrastructure system

This priority aims to achieve a better quality of primary infrastructure that will be realized through the construction, reconstruction, and modernization of the existing one.

#### Measures:

- 3.2.1. Construction, reconstruction, and improvement of communal equipment - water supply, drainage, and waste water purification
- 3.2.2. Construction and improvement of communal equipment - gas supply
- 3.2.3. Construction and improvement of communal equipment - public heating system
- 3.2.4. Construction and improvement of communal equipment - supply with electric energy
- 3.2.5. Construction and improvement of communal equipment - other communal infrastructure

- 3.2.6. Optimization, improvement, and availability of electronic communication infrastructure

### 3.3. Developing transport infrastructure and a sustainable mobility system

By implementing priorities, the mobility system will be enhanced through improvements in traffic infrastructure as well as improvements in the safety of traffic participants. The ultimate goal is to set up a sustainable mobility system in which public passenger transport, cycling and pedestrian traffic will play a dominant role; and will be available to all potential users, including people with disabilities.

#### Measures:

- 3.3.1. Improving air traffic
- 3.3.2. Modernizing of railway traffic
- 3.3.3. Integration and improvement of the street and public network
- 3.3.4. Improving public passenger transport
- 3.3.5. Improving bicycle and pedestrian traffic
- 3.3.6. Integration and enhancement of the traffic system and security (including traffic control and management system - ITS)

### 3.4. Sustainable spatial development

The objective of this priority is to create conditions for further improvement of the urban level of settlements, through high-quality and rational spatial planning at all levels, to include residential and supporting facilities, economic zones, tourist and sport facilities and to create conditions for the realization of communal, traffic, and energy infrastructure, with a high level of conservation of natural and cultural resources.

The aim is to increase the standards of accessibility and availability of public and other services, to strengthen the development of smaller centres and small towns as focal points for rural development and to improve urban-rural connections.

#### Measures:

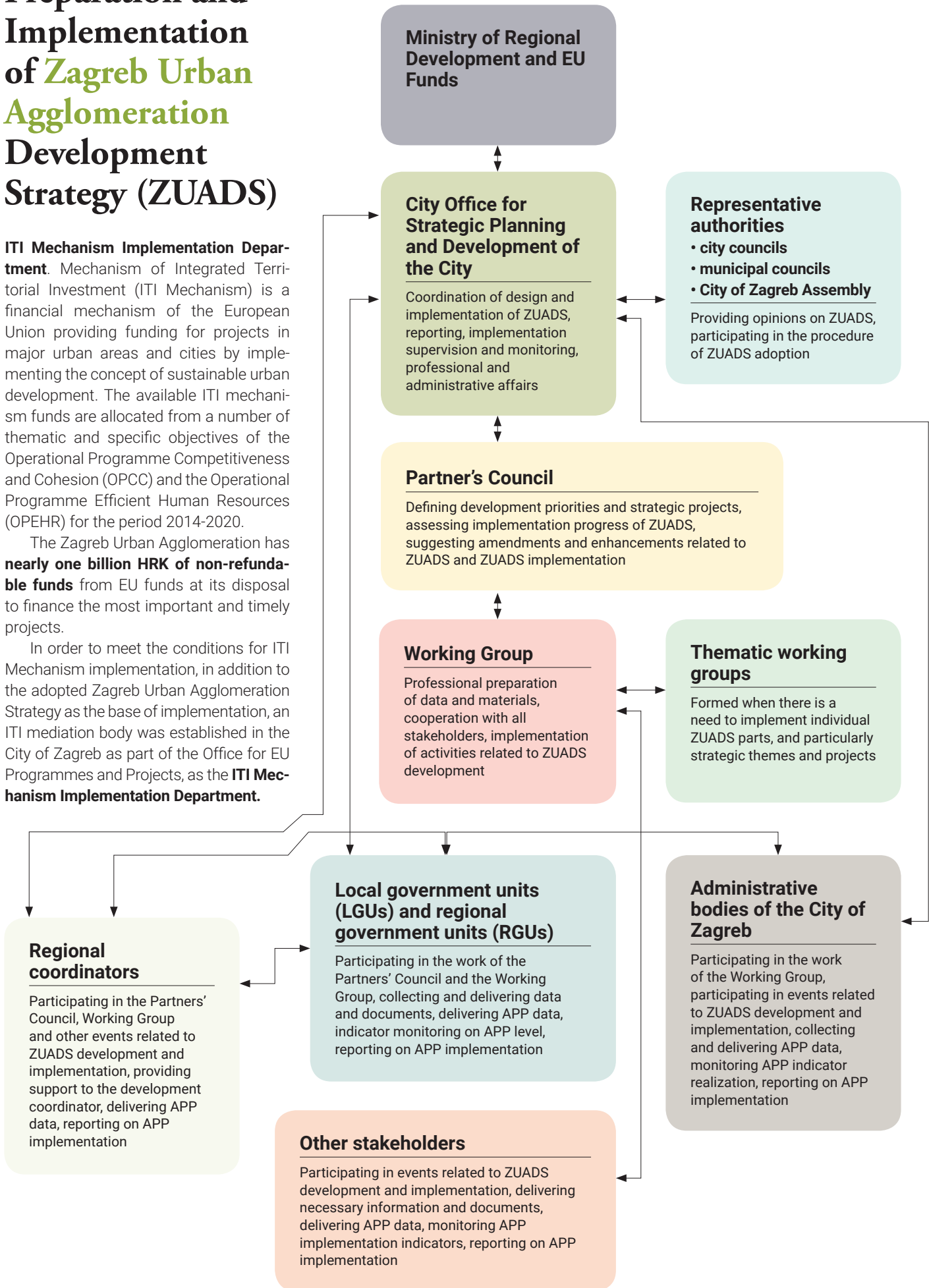
- 3.4.1. Comprehensive spatial planning
- 3.4.2. Improvement of populated areas
- 3.4.3. Renovation of brownfield areas
- 3.4.4. Development and promotion of identity potentials

# Stakeholders in Preparation and Implementation of Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy (ZUADS)

**ITI Mechanism Implementation Department.** Mechanism of Integrated Territorial Investment (ITI Mechanism) is a financial mechanism of the European Union providing funding for projects in major urban areas and cities by implementing the concept of sustainable urban development. The available ITI mechanism funds are allocated from a number of thematic and specific objectives of the Operational Programme Competitiveness and Cohesion (OPCC) and the Operational Programme Efficient Human Resources (OPEHR) for the period 2014-2020.

The Zagreb Urban Agglomeration has **nearly one billion HRK of non-refundable funds** from EU funds at its disposal to finance the most important and timely projects.

In order to meet the conditions for ITI Mechanism implementation, in addition to the adopted Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Strategy as the base of implementation, an ITI mediation body was established in the City of Zagreb as part of the Office for EU Programmes and Projects, as the **ITI Mechanism Implementation Department**.







## Key Steps in Implementation of Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy

### FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK, ACTION PLAN AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

**FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK** of the implementation of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy presents the planned resources for the implementation of the Strategy for the entire implementation period and as such represents a concise overview of the financial value and sources of funding expected from the local, county and state budgets, EU funds etc., according to the goals and priorities of the Strategy. The basis for financial resources at the local level were budgets and plans of development programmes of local government units.

The **ACTION PLAN** is a base for the implementation of the Strategy and also the basis for reporting and later evaluation of the implementation of the Strategy. It provides a precise annually-based overview and detailed structure of financial allocations provided for all activities, projects, and programmes (for 2017, 2018, and 2019), and also a total sum of allocated resources in the planned three-year period, all according to the strategic goals of the Strategy. Data in the Action Plan related to the City of Zagreb budget (county budget) and 29 other municipalities and cities is based on the budget execution for 2016, adopted budgets for 2017 and budget projections for 2018 and 2019.










The Action Plan requires annual harmonization and corrections. Therefore, analyses will be made accordingly. When drafting the Action Plan, as well as in its harmonization, the City of Zagreb continually cooperates with local government units in the urban area, regional government, state administration and all other potential sources of funding for the implementation of the Strategy.

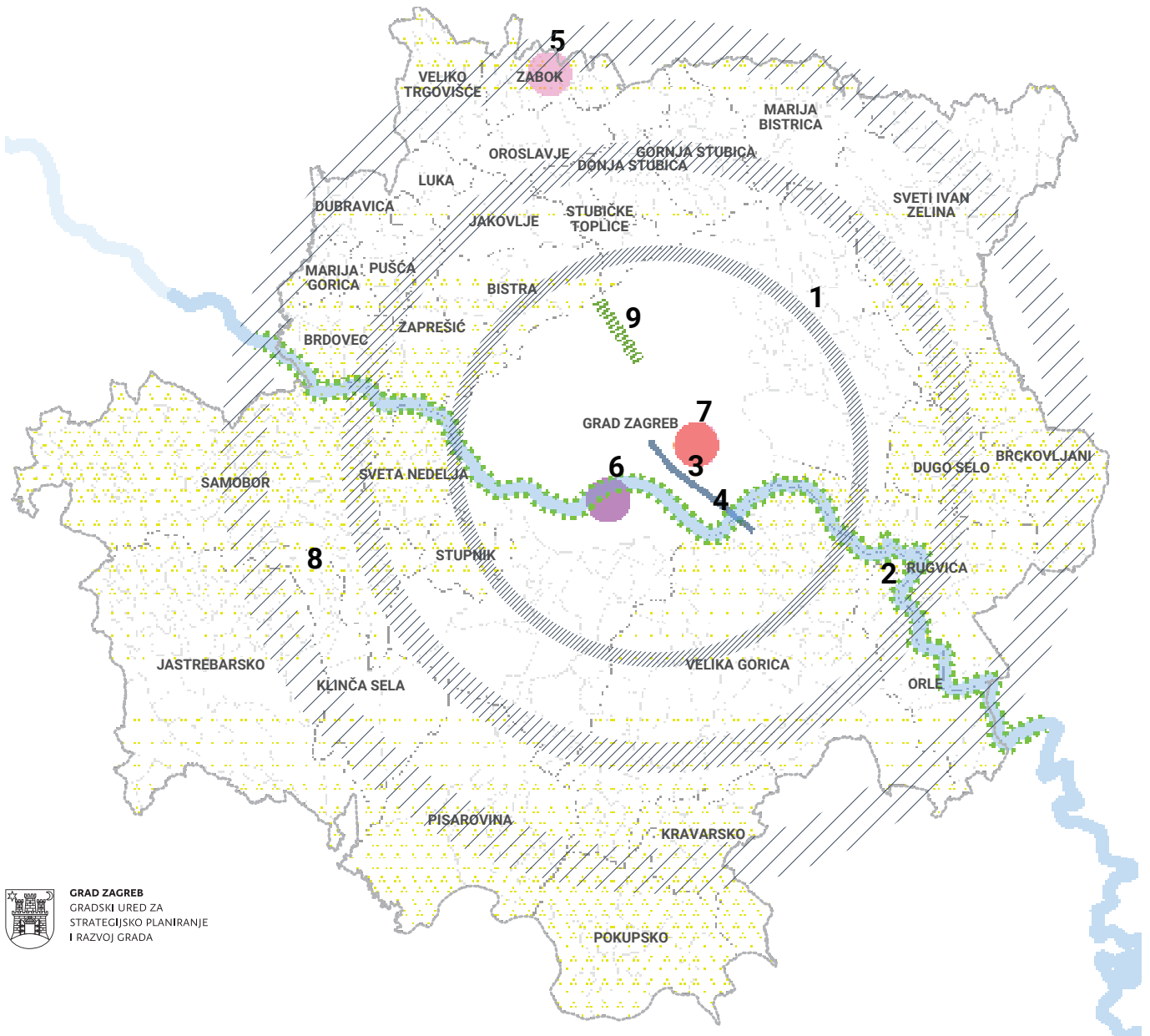
Given the importance of revision and alignment, **the Action Plan** provides a platform for systematic control and enforcement monitoring, becoming a development management tool.

**COMMUNICATION STRATEGY** gives an overview of the communication of numerous stakeholders from all sectors and makes the process of creating, adopting, and implementing the Strategy transparent and efficient.

# Strategic Projects

The Strategy focuses on **9 KEY STRATEGIC PROJECTS** which will have effects on the balanced, sustainable and innovative development as well as strong positive influence on society, quality of life, environment and the economy in the area of the entire Zagreb Urban Agglomeration:

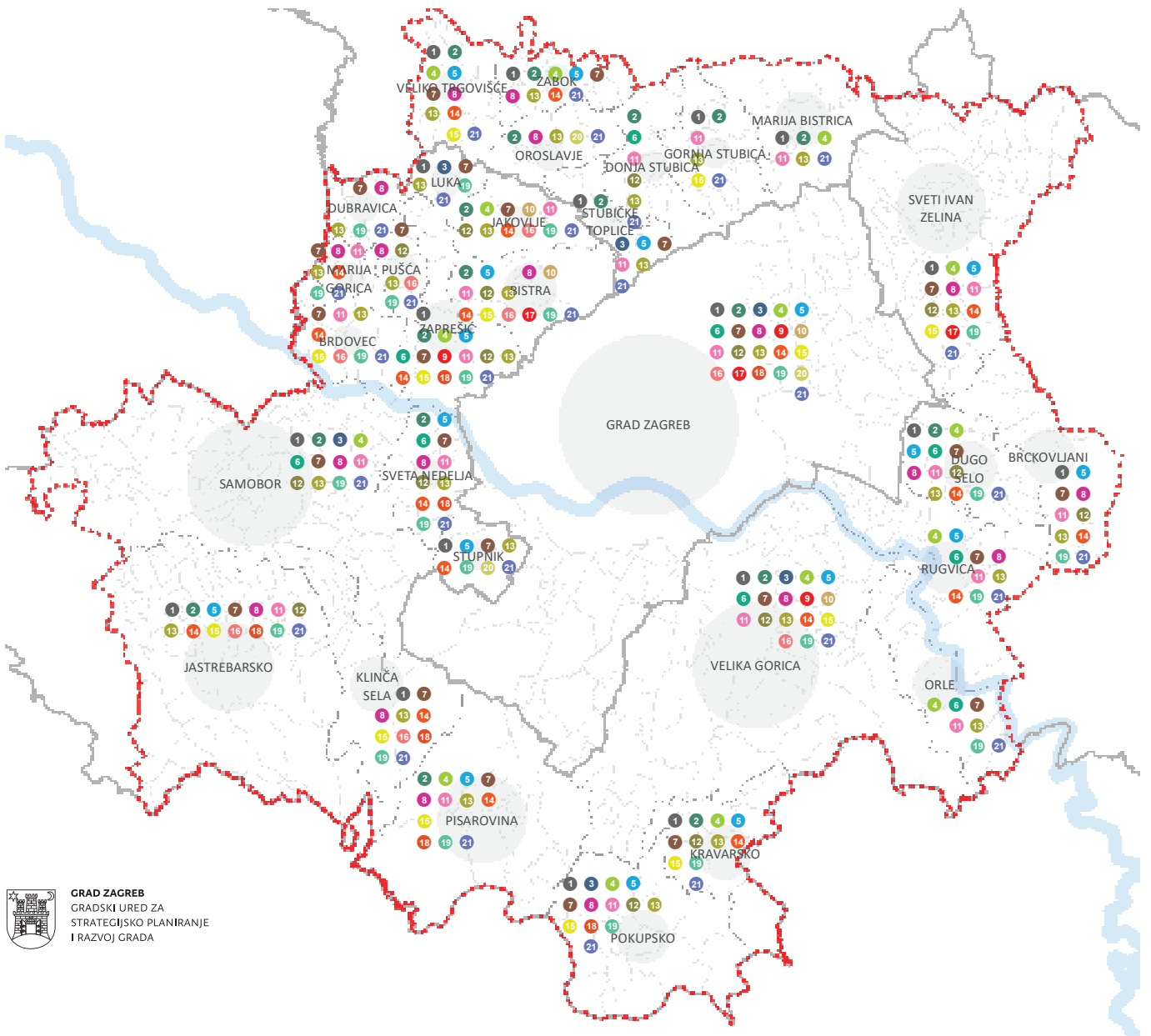
-  1 Integrated traffic system for the City of Zagreb, Zagreb County and Krapina-Zagorje County
-  2 Sava Programme
-  3 Railtrack connection between the City of Zagreb and the International Airport Zagreb - Velika Gorica
-  4 Greenway - State Bicycle Route No. 2
-  5 Regional Competence Centre for Tourism and Hospitality
-  6 Entrepreneurship vocational training centre - EVTC
-  7 Borongaj university campus
-  8 Newlight
-  9 Sljeme cable car



# Strategic Themes / Network Projects

Along with strategic projects, as an added value stemming from the participatory and partner planning process, **Strategic Themes** and their accompanying **Network Projects** are defined below. Strategic topics mark areas of interest for most of the population and the area of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration realized via a series of cross-linked activities, programmes and projects. The following topics were defined:

- 1 Transport infrastructure and services
- 2 Increase of public passenger transport efficiency
- 3 Bridge reconstruction and construction
- 4 Cycling and pedestrian infrastructure
- 5 Water supply, drainage and wastewater treatment system
- 6 Watercourse protection, flood protection
- 7 Waste management
- 8 System of entrepreneurial support infrastructure
- 9 Development of higher education institutions
- 10 Placement of locally produced agricultural products, short supply chains
- 11 Cultural heritage and tourism, selective forms of tourism
- 12 Revitalization of brownfield areas
- 13 Green infrastructure and natural heritage
- 14 Development of public spaces and facilities
- 15 Urban renovation and energy efficiency
- 16 Enhancing employment opportunities for young people and their inclusion in sustainable development of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration
- 17 Development of healthcare infrastructure and services
- 18 Improving of social services and reducing exclusion of marginalized groups
- 19 Establishment of a broadband internet network
- 20 Urban security
- 21 Harmonization/networking/ synergy of regional and spatial development



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# Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment

## Monitoring and evaluation

Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment of the Zagreb Urban Development Agglomeration Strategy for the period up to 2020 was carried out during the preparation of the Draft Strategy proposal, based on regulations covering the area of environmental protection and regulations related to public information and participation of the public in environmental protection matters.

This procedure has estimated the probable significant impacts on the environment and human health that may arise during the implementation of the Strategy. Thus, certain measures and recommendations for environmental protection that should be carried out for an environmentally-appropriate implementation of the Strategy have been proposed.

Environmental monitoring will be prescribed for each area of intervention, at the level of environmental impact assessment, i.e. the assessment of suitability of the intervention for the ecological network. The following will be defined: environmental monitoring indicators, methods of their monitoring, the entity responsible for monitoring and the time frame for monitoring the state of the environment.

Monitoring and evaluation is a key step in implementing the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy and is one of the fundamental principles of the regional development policy.

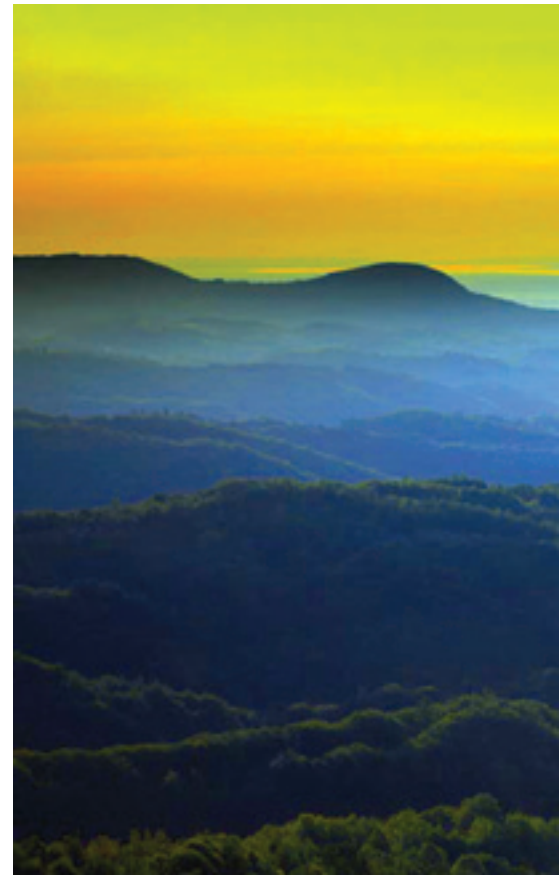
During the implementation of the Strategy, the following will be monitored: the level of achievement of the goals, development priorities and measures, actual effects on development, efficiency, and effectiveness in using financial resources, partnership participation and contribution, management efficiency and organization of implementation and the visibility of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy in public.

Implementation of the Strategy will be monitored continuously over the entire period of the implementation, and annual reports on implementation results will be made and submitted to the Ministry of Regional Development and EU funds.

The results of the implementation will also be reported annually to the Partners' Council of the Zagreb Urban Agglomeration.

The Strategy is subject to evaluation in the course of drafting, during implementation and upon implementation.

The Zagreb Urban Agglomeration Development Strategy has gone through the process of ex-ante evaluation by an independent expert authority - Ecorys Hrvatska d.o.o.





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