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1. Introduction

This is a template for reporting the activities related to WP3 Mobilizing Regional and Local Authorities carried out by each regional partner in its region.

This is a “live” document, it can be updated each time an activity is carried out related to the development or revision of the regional SEAP.

The information included in this document will be the basis for:

- the evaluation of WP3 MLG activities during for the intermediate and final reports
- the preparation of the “Regional MLG activities online dynamic presentation” (D3.2)

Through this template are reported information and activities related to WP3 “Mobilizing Regional and Local Authorities” carried out by partner IRE Spa in the Region of Liguria, including activities for the revision of the Regional SEAP and the implementation of the MLG model through the involvement of regional and local stakeholders.

2. Development of the regional SEAP

The Regional and Environmental Plan of the Region of Liguria has been firstly implemented in 2003. Through the Regional Plan the Region promotes its strategies related to the implementation of energy efficiency, the development of green economy and awareness rising in the themes of energy sustainability through training and information. According to the regional law the revision of the Plan is planned every 5 years and the procedure is now ongoing. The revision is in charge to the Regional Economic Development Department, which is being supported by IRE Spa.

In the first version of 2003 there was no reference to joint actions between regional and local levels which, instead, are now part of the revised plan: according to the regional law 32/2012 the process foresees the implementation of the collaborative model, which involves institutional actors (local and regional authorities and associations) and stakeholders at different levels like Enterprises representatives, Environmental Associations and citizens representatives. The participatory process is foreseen not only in the preparation phase but also in the implementation phase (actions of energy efficiency on public buildings, public lighting, use of Renewable Energy Sources) and in the monitoring phase.

Moreover, the revision process is associated with the Strategic Environmental Assessment process.

Aim of the revised Regional Plan is the diffusion of renewable energy sources, particularly electrical and thermal properties, their integration in smart distribution networks and smart grids and the promotion of energy efficiency; these actions can represent an effective stimulus to the development of a regional energy policy in line with the EU strategy, with the aim of achieving the targets set by the Kyoto Protocol (according to the national “burden sharing”

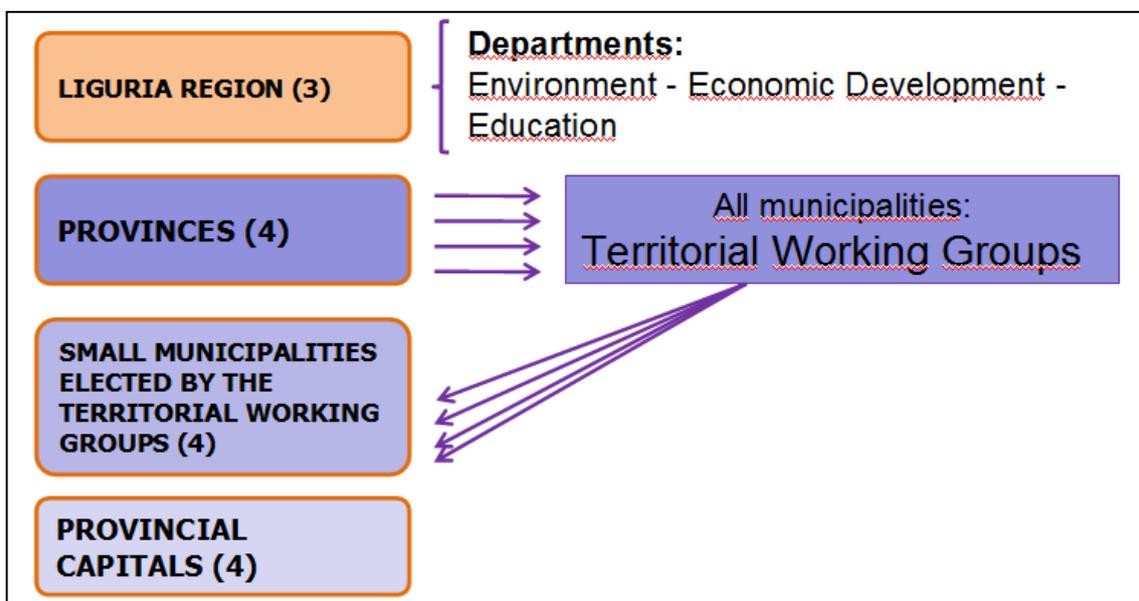
plan, the target set for the region of Liguria by 2020 is to reach 14.1% of energy from RES). This process is part of the regional strategy for the promotion of technological innovation and the development of green economy - most of all in the regional market and among local companies, including the traditional sectors such as building construction and plant engineering which have a high potential for economic growth and positive employment effects in the regional territory.

3. Activities of the Regional Steering Committee

A Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) between the Liguria Region and the Local authorities involved in the Covenant of Mayors initiative was originally designed within Climact Regions Project in order to make official their participation and commitment to work in an effective long term collaboration. This Memorandum foresees the creation of a regional Steering Committee (SC) composed of representatives of Liguria Region, the Provinces (3 of which are also Supporting Structures in the framework of the Covenant of Mayors), the provincial capitals and the small size municipalities, through elected representatives.

The SC will meet to discuss the regional energy policies linked to the regional SEAP review and the coordination of energy planning initiatives, like the Covenant of Mayors, at regional and local level.

Signature of MoC and Setting up a permanent Steering Committee



Until now the MoC was signed by 40 stakeholders including the Region, two Provinces, 2 big cities (Genova and Savona) and several small municipalities, which have elected their representative for the province of Imperia (municipality of Taggia Arma) and for the province of Savona (Municipality of Carcare).



Further adhesions are expected since MoC is open to be joined; on this purpose, IRE has organized 2 joint Meetings in the Province of Savona (04.02.2014) and Imperia (Taggia, 15.03.2014) with Municipalities and regional stakeholders in order to promote project activities and involve the local administrators, who on that occasions signed the MoU. In the Province of Genova the promotion of the MoU has been implemented also through the “Club of the Covenant of Mayors”, an association born in 2012 with the support of the Province of Genoa aimed to confrontation and coordination among municipalities to better implement their activities and interact in a fruitful way with the Province and the European Commission which is joined by all the Municipalities of the Province committed to the CoM.

4. Selection of the MLG model

The MLG model for the revision of the Regional Energy and Environmental Plan is based on the integration of the bottom-up approach (inputs from the local SEAPs) and top-down approach (from regional/national law and in synergy with the energy strategy of the new programming period 2014 - 2020). This process foresees different phases of stakeholders’ collaboration, since preparatory works to monitoring activities, during which they are involved for consultation purposes (ex: through interviews, dedicated workshop and collection of feedbacks from stakeholders, like public consultation).The collaboration process is now resulting in a lively participation which will be a key factor for the success of the next phases and the monitoring activities.

5. MLG activities

The revision process is started in 2013 and is now ongoing towards the finalization phase, that is foreseen to be implemented in the fall 2014.

The first step of the collaborative revision process was aimed to collect inputs from stakeholders on main issues for a strategic energy planning, to be inserted in the “PLAN SCHEME” on which to base the further implementation of the revised plan.

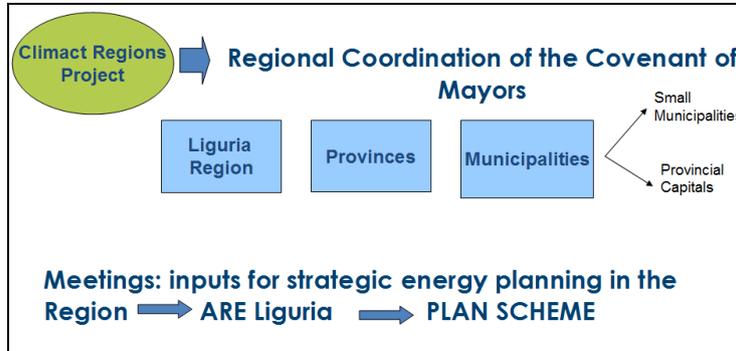
The Plan Scheme has been approved by the Region in September 2013 and, after this first step, it has been shared with stakeholders during dedicated meetings (4 forums organized in October 2013 by IRE and the Regional Economic Development Department, see details below) and through interviews and consultations (ex. questionnaires) for collection of feedbacks, in order to further develop the Scheme and implement a pre-final environmental report.

The definitive Plan Scheme and the report are almost finished and will be approved by Regional Board soon.

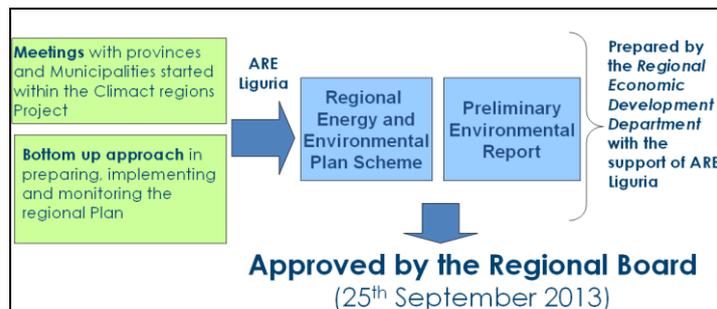
Once approved, the Revised Energy Plan will be open to a final public survey in order to be finalized and approved in its definitive version by the Regional Board

The Revision Process:

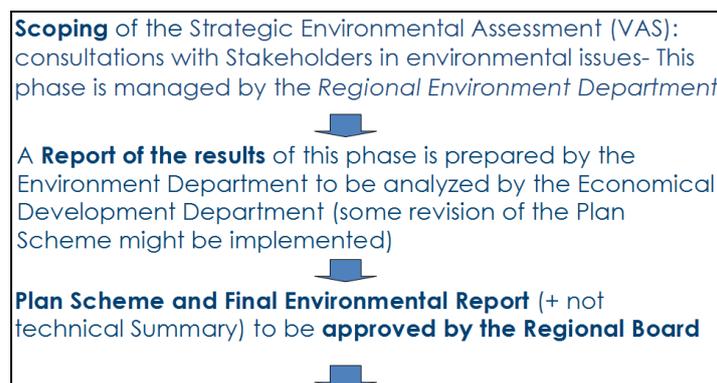
Starting phase



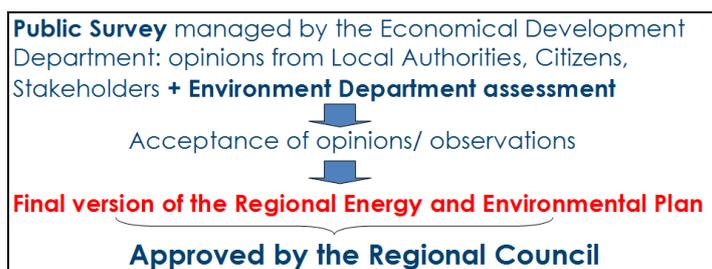
Step 1 – Plan Scheme



Implementation phase (ongoing from October 2013)



Final phase (planned Autumn 2014)





Through the implementation of the MLG model it is possible to put in practice and further develop the collaboration among regional and local authorities, which is a key step to guarantee the effectiveness of the Plan: thanks to this collaboration it's possible to integrate in the new regional plan the instances of the Municipalities and the actual needs of the territory in relation to energy planning, thus ensuring the collaboration of stakeholders in the implementation of the actions.

This MLG process will be used also as an occasion to promote further collaboration among regional and local authorities on other important themes in the energy sector, first of all the issue of energy data collection: this will contribute to solve the problems due to the lack of energy data, like difficulties faced by several Municipalities in the implementation of the Baselines foreseen in their SEAPs. Indeed, one of the aim of Region is to have access, compare and put together energy data collected by local authorities with the information already available at regional level, thus implementing a joint system from with all Municipalities will benefit.

6. Annexes

RSC meeting minutes

RSC Meeting 1	
Date	
Location	
Participants	
Objectives and summary	
Agenda	•
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Other (pictures, links...)	•

Description of MLG forums

Summary of the Event

(Short Title of the event 1)

Organiser Name	IRE spa, in collaboration with Regione Liguria
Date of Event	23/10/2013 h. 15.00
Event Title	Presentation of the Plan Scheme of the regional SEAP
Location	Genoa
Description	Meeting organized by IRE and the Regional Economic Development Department with regional and local stakeholders to present the process of revision of the regional SEAP and collect inputs and feedback for the implementation of the process of collaborative revision
Target Audience	representatives of companies
No. of participants	5
Event Language(s)	Italian
Contact	energia@ireliguria.it
Programme	(Programme of the event)
Links	(Links to web page, programme, presentations, etc.)
Evaluation	Proactive involvement of the participants; inputs and feedback from the stakeholders have been collected in the view of the revision of the Regional Energy and Environmental Plan and participants have been informed about the Procedure of revision and further opportunities for further participation in the process.
Pictures	(Pictures)

Summary of the Event

(Short Title of the event 2)

Organiser Name	IRE spa, in collaboration with Regione Liguria
Date of Event	23/10/2013 h. 16.30

Event Title	Presentation of the Plan Scheme of the regional SEAP
Location	Genoa
Description	Meeting organized by IRE and the Regional Economic Development Department with regional and local stakeholders to present the process of revision of the regional SEAP and collect inputs and feedback for the implementation of the process of collaborative revision
Target Audience	representatives of Labor unions
No. of participants	5
Event Language(s)	Italian
Contact	energia@ireliguria.it
Programme	(Programme of the event)
Links	(Links to web page, programme, presentations, etc.)
Evaluation	Proactive involvement of the participants; inputs and feedback from the stakeholders have been collected in the view of the revision of the Regional Energy and Environmental Plan and participants have been informed about the Procedure of revision and further opportunities for further participation in the process.
Pictures	(Pictures)

Summary of the Event

(Short Title of the event 3)

Organiser Name	IRE spa, in collaboration with Regione Liguria
Date of Event	29/10/2013 h. 15.00
Event Title	Presentation of the Plan Scheme of the regional SEAP
Location	Genoa
Description	Meeting organized by IRE and the Regional Economic Development

	Department with regional and local stakeholders to present the process of revision of the regional SEAP and collect inputs and feedback for the implementation of the process of collaborative revision
Target Audience	representatives of the national association of Italian Municipalities (ANCI), the Association of Regional Provinces (URPL) and of Ports.
No. of participants	5
Event Language(s)	Italian
Contact	energia@ireliguria.it
Programme	(Programme of the event)
Links	(Links to web page, programme, presentations, etc.)
Evaluation	Proactive involvement of the participants; inputs and feedback from the stakeholders have been collected in the view of the revision of the Regional Energy and Environmental Plan and participants have been informed about the Procedure of revision and further opportunities for further participation in the process.
Pictures	(Pictures)

Summary of the Event

(Short Title of the event 4)

Organiser Name	IRE spa, in collaboration with Regione Liguria
Date of Event	29/10/2013 h. 16.30
Event Title	Presentation of the Plan Scheme of the regional SEAP
Location	Genoa
Description	Meeting organized by IRE and the Regional Economic Development Department with regional and local stakeholders to present the process of revision of the regional SEAP and collect inputs and feedback for the implementation of the process of collaborative revision

Target Audience	representatives of environmental organizations
No. of participants	5
Event Language(s)	Italian
Contact	energia@ireliguria.it
Programme	(Programme of the event)
Links	(Links to web page, programme, presentations, etc.)
Evaluation	Proactive involvement of the participants; inputs and feedback from the stakeholders have been collected in the view of the revision of the Regional Energy and Environmental Plan and participants have been informed about the Procedure of revision and further opportunities for further participation in the process.
Pictures	(Pictures)

Description of Energy days

Summary of the Event

(Short Title of the event 1)

Organiser Name	(Name)
Date of Event	(Date)
Event Title	(Title)
Location	(Location)
Description	(Description)
Target Audience	(Indicate region, country, type of organisation, sector, etc)
No. of participants	(Number)
Event Language(s)	(Language)



Contact	(email@address)
Programme	(Programme of the event)
Links	(Links to web page, programme, presentations, etc.)
Evaluation	(Comments, conclusions)
Pictures	(Pictures)