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The LIFE project for 2025-2035

The LIFE strategic project: Implementation of the Waste Management Plan for the Pomorskie Voivodeship (WMPPV) taking into account the hierarchy of handling municipal waste and the principles of circular economy (CE)





Leader: POMORSKIE VOIVODESHIP

Partners and Partners supporting:

- 1. Pomeranian Regional Development
 Agency Joint Stock Company in Słupsk
- 2. University of Gdańsk
- 3. Gdańsk City Hall
- 4. Pomorskie municipalities and counties
- 5. Unions of Municipalities
- 6. Municipal installations
- 7. Environmental protection institutions
- 8. Universities and non-governmental organizations

The project is planned to be implemented under the LIFE Financial Instrument 2021-2027, Area - Environment, Sub-program - Circular Economy and Quality of Life (no. SIP LIFE-2023-START-ENV-SIP-two-stage). Project financing: 60% subsidy from the LIFE programme (EC funds). For Polish Partners: 35% of costs from national funds (National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management).

The project concept submitted on September 5, 2023, has been positively evaluated by the European Commission, and the project has been invited to the second stage. The deadline for submitting the full proposal is March 5, 2024.

→ MAIN GOAL

The main objective of the project is to create in the Pomorskie Voivodeship conditions conducive to the effective implementation of the provisions of the Waste Management Plan for the Pomorskie Voivodeship (MWPPV) in the field of rational municipal waste management, in particular the principles resulting from the hierarchy of waste management methods and the assumptions of the circular economy, i.e. reduce, reuse, recycle (3R).

SPECIFIC GOALS

- Promoting, strengthening and accelerating the transition towards a low-waste and resource-efficient circular economy and the so-called industrial symbiosis in the region.
- Changing, shaping and strengthening the proper behavior and ecological attitudes of the society and positive social reception of the investment.
- Intensifying activities in the field of waste prevention and circular economy.
- Increasing the efficiency of selective municipal waste collection systems.
- Coordinating the use of complementary foreign measures, i.e. the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, as well as national and private funds.
- Supporting local governments and entrepreneurs in obtaining external financial resources, including EU foreign funds, in order to create the necessary infrastructure to support the implementation of the MWPPV.
- Supporting entrepreneurs in adapting to changes in the law in the area of waste management aimed at
 implementing EU regulations, including in the field of the deposit-refund system for packaging, extended
 producer responsibility, limiting the use of single-use plastic and withdrawing certain products made of
 plastic from sale.



- Building a knowledge base supporting the monitoring of actions taken and increasing the availability of public information, in particular on local ways and places of waste prevention, communal systems for selective collection of municipal waste and operating municipal waste collection point, including in tourist destinations.
- Implementing, promoting and duplicating good practices aimed at maximizing the added value of raw materials, materials and products and minimizing the waste stream and increasing the levels of preparation for reuse and recycling of municipal waste.
- Supporting the process of implementing and implementing the National Waste Management Plan, the document that is part of the most important national development strategies, including the National Environmental Policy 2030 and the Strategy for Responsible Development and EU directives.

PROJECT TASKS

- 1. Preparing and carrying out a model and "tailor-made" regional information and education campaign and making it available to project partners and supporting institutions in order to disseminate the campaign throughout the Pomorskie Voivodeship.
- 2. Preparing and conducting local, free, appropriate to the needs of training and workshops for human resources, dedicated to local government administration, local authorities, entrepreneurs.
- 3. Organising various types of events, including conferences, seminars, webinars, study visits, as well as the creation of the Pomorskie Forum for Dialogue for Waste Management.
- 4. Upgrading the system for selective collection of bio-waste in order to obtain raw material of high purity and effective use of this waste in recycling processes.
- 5. Morphological studies of municipal bio-waste sorted and recycled "at source", in order to determine the mass of bio-waste home composting.
- 6. Preparing and implementing mobile applications for the Pomorskie region for giving waste a second life by repairing and processing potential waste and reusing it.
- 7. Creating a regional knowledge base on MWPPV and CE and local information points.

Project activities will be conducted throughout the Pomorskie Voivodeship, regionally and locally, by partners and stakeholders involved in municipal waste management. Moreover, the project aims to expand activities in the Pomorskie region and other regions of the country through supporting institutions - regional, national and foreign.

(🗭 RESULT

The project was planned in such a way as to respond to the identified needs and challenges, bottlenecks and gaps in the field of waste prevention, selective collection of municipal waste and its preparation for reuse and recycling. The above will have a significant impact in the coming years on the achievement by the municipalities of the Pomorskie Voivodeship of the required levels of preparation for re-use and recycling of municipal waste, and the levels of reducing waste disposal. Municipalities are required to achieve a level of preparation for reuse and recycling of municipal waste of at least 60% by weight in 2030 and 65% in 2035. As a result, the project will contribute to the rational use of resources and raw materials and the reduction of anthropopressure on the terrestrial and marine environment of the Baltic Sea, land protection - elimination of "wild landfills" and air protection - reduction of municipal waste incineration in household hearths.

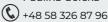
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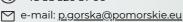
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