Offer name: Sustainable energy resources and local energy production: How to make the population accept these changes in production? How to become a self-sufficient city in energy?

Expiry date: 28/02/2019

Offering LAG: GAL Terres de vie en Lozere

Country: France

Spoken languages: English - French

Looking for

Type of partner: All EU members interested in these themes

Country(ies): Europe, Belgium, Switzerland

Type of area: Lakes & rivers, Mountainous, Peri-Urban, Rural

Assets of the area: High Nature Value, Forest, Protected areas

Project idea

Project type:
- Cooperation within the country
- Across regions
- Transnational cooperation
- Cross - border cooperation
Transnational cooperation
With other MSs (no shared border)
Transnational cooperation
Non EU countries

**Project topic:**

- Knowledge transfer / education / training activities
- Natural environment & Resources / Landscape
- Local energy production / renewable energies
- Built environment
- Energy efficiency retrofitting of buildings

**Context:**

This theme concerns our entire territory: the Terres de Vie en Lozère association based in Mende in FRANCE (Occitanie region). This territory includes 31,323 inhabitants.

Extract of the Leader application made in 2014:
"For three years the energy issue has been debated on the territory. The General Council of Lozère accompanied the establishment of a structure (Lozère Energie) at the service of both populations and elected officials. The elected officials and the inhabitants want the territory to evolve towards new types of energy in particular to save energy and create economic added value (wind, photovoltaic, heat network, methanization etc.). However, new materials and techniques remain at high prices. There is a desire for a new culture of energy consumption. Potential renewable energ

**Project idea summary:**

We wish by this cooperation on energies to work on:
- Sustainable energy resources: what resources can be used to produce energy and how to implement them at the local level;
- Communication: what tools can make this type of approach acceptable to the local population?
- Energy independence: how to become an autonomous city?

We are already partners with the French LAG Pays du Mans et the French LAG Pays Pyrénées Méditerranée. They visited us on september 2018 in Mende.

The cooperation LEADER remains to be defined.

**Objectives:**

Objectives: To enable the territory to acquire knowledge through the skills and experiences of other European countries.
- What local resources can be used to produce energy and how to make it?
- Which communication tools can make this type of approach acceptable to the local population? And how to communicate on it?
- How to become an autonomous city?

Targets: The local population, economic decision makers, elected officials, schools and high schools

Actions: To be defined together

Partners: public structures, high schools, local companies