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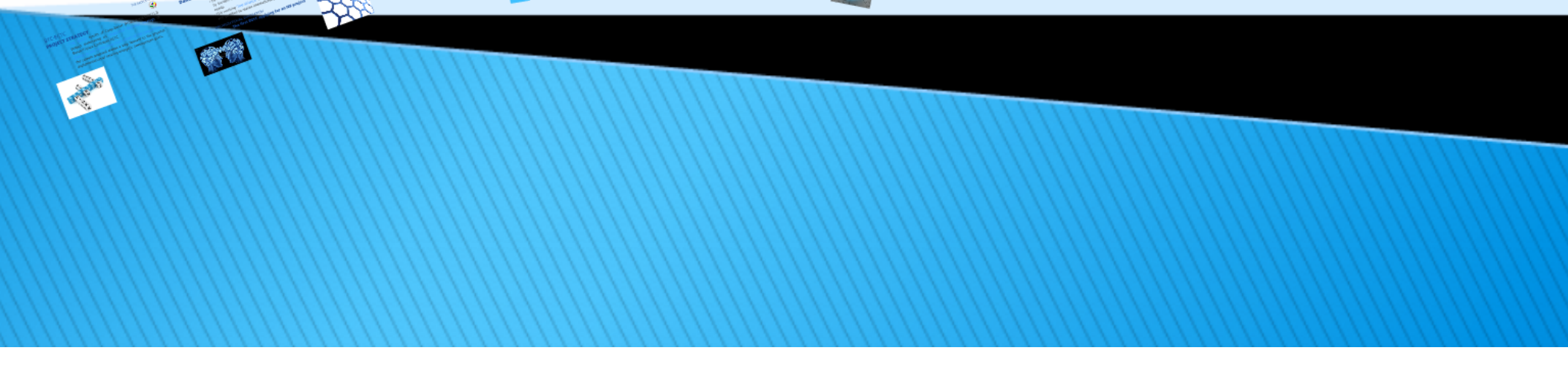
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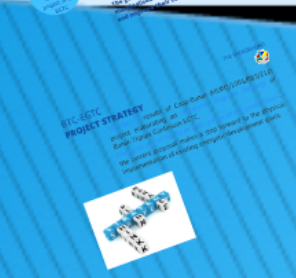
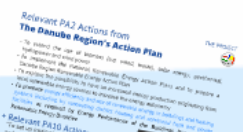
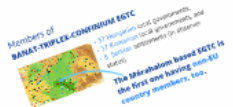
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agenda

- Introducing the EGTC: Banat-Triplex-Confinium
- The Background of the Project
- The Idea - A New Approach
- The Project Itself - Goals and Performance Indicators
- Local and European Impacts
- The Differentiators of the Project



A Real Early Bird:

BANAT-TRIPLEX-CONFINIUM EGTC



It will be the third
successful
project of the
EGTC

- 17 June 2009 - 50 mayors around the triple border established an EGTC
- 10 December 2009 - Bánát-Triplex-Confinium
- 5 January 2011 - registered legal person (in Mórahalom)

The goal: to develop border areas marginalized during the last few decades, and improve their competitiveness

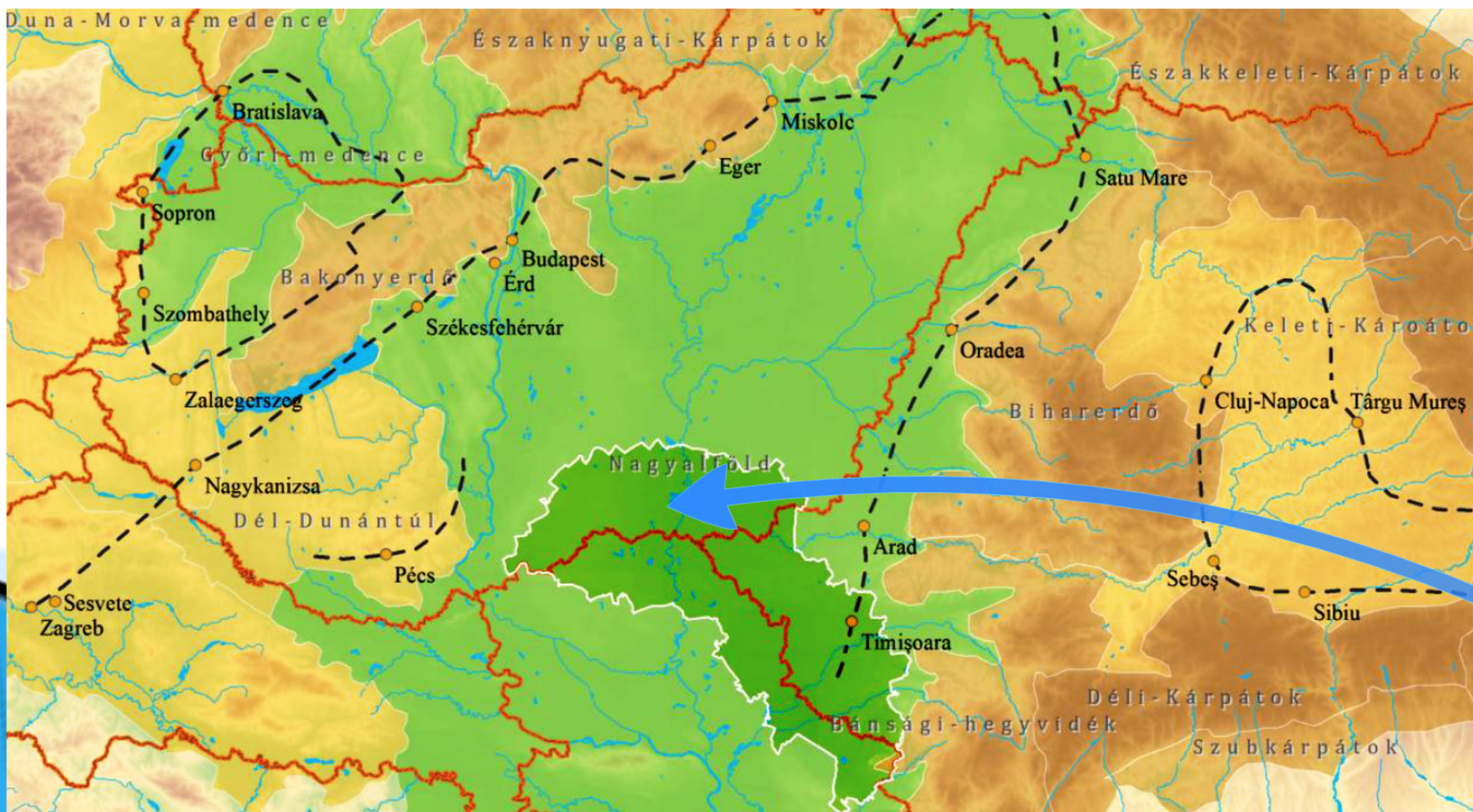


Members of **BANAT-TRIPLEX-CONFINIUM EGTC**



- 37 Hungarian local governments,
- 37 Romanian local governments, and
- 8 Serbian settlements (in observer status)

The Mórahalom based EGTC is the first one having non-EU country members, too.



BTC-EGTC

PROJECT STRATEGY



- **THE BASIS:** results of Coop-Banat (HURO/1001/083/212) project elaborating an **Integrated Regional Strategy** of Banat-Triplex Confinium EGTC.
- **Energy as one of the three main pillars of the cooperation** - the current proposal makes a step forward to the physical implementation of existing energetic development goals.



EGTC is a unique mean to assist **Danube Region Strategy**

THE IDEA



- EGTC represents municipalities of a location, separated by borders but having **very similar characteristics** and needs.
- This working **"live alliance"** of members is interested in and qualified to realize international projects.

ORGANIZATIONAL INNOVATION

The first EGTC applying for an IEE project





Overall Project Objectives

Launch of energy investments in Banat

"Tangible" results

- Common **Energy Agency** serving the EGTC needs
- A Team of Available **Technical Experts**

Objectives and performance indicators

Objectives

Increasing energy independence



Outputs

PDA technical assistance



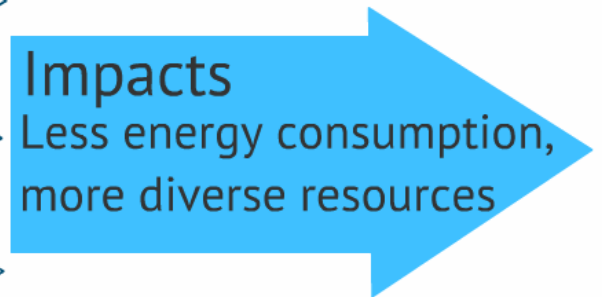
Impacts

Investments launched



Impacts

Less energy consumption, more diverse resources





Relevant PA2 Actions from The Danube Region's Action Plan

- To extend the use of biomass (e.g. wood, waste), solar energy, geothermal, hydropower and wind power
- To implement the National Renewable Energy Action Plans and to prepare a Danube Region Renewable Energy Action Plan
- To explore the possibility to have an increased energy production originating from local renewable energy sources to increase the energy autonomy
- To promote **energy efficiency and use of renewable energy in buildings and heating systems including by renovating district heating and combined heat and power facilities** as required by Energy Performance of the Buildings Directive and Renewable Energy Directive

+ Relevant PA10 Action:

"To set up institutional capacity and cooperation"





Overall Project Objectives

Launch of investments in "Banat" Region

EE/RES in
existing buildings:
• EUR 4.630.574
Street-lightening:
• EUR 2.407.392

EXPECTED IMPACT:

- energy investments with overall **EUR 7 037 966** investment value, energy savings at least 310 toe/year and production of 173 toe/year renewable energy, the GHG emission is expected to be reduced by 869 t CO₂/year,
- **new EGTC member municipalities are likely to join the Action** in long-term, initiating new energy investments in the target region, therefore the EMS will be able to be expanded further and an active communication is planned in the framework of the project.

EUROPEAN IMPACT:

- the organization structure provides **A BEST PRACTICE** of how to handle and aggregate the development of energy investments in a cross-border context and making advantage of economies of scale.





In the Danube region the project has a **HIGH REPLICATION POTENTIAL**

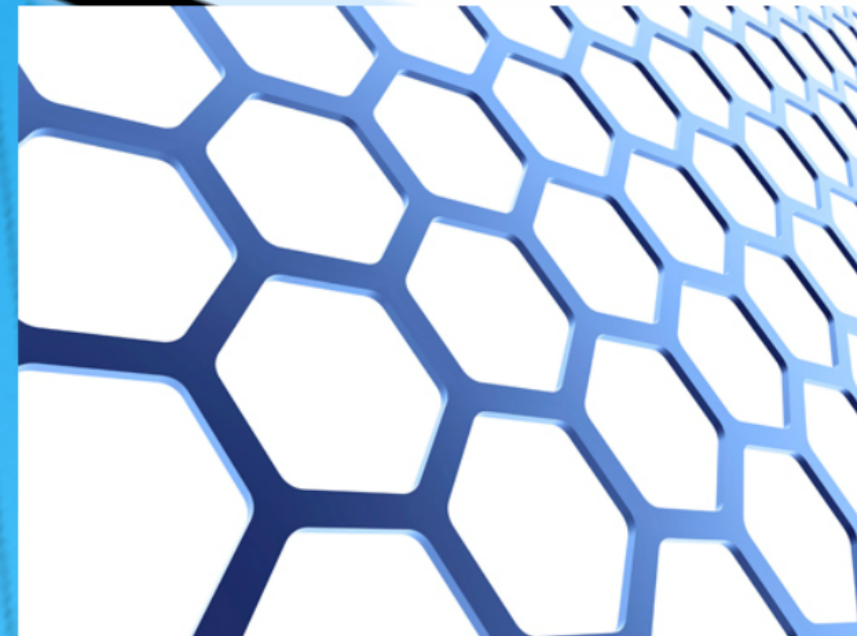
INSTITUTIONAL INNOVATION: EGTC trends and improvements

- **Involvement of non-EU countries** in the management of EU programmes and projects
- Extension of the objective of a given EGTC - **management of EU programmes and projects**

With the draft regulations for 2014-2020, the European Commission is now sending a clear signal: they want **to promote the use of EGTCs**, not only for managing territorial cooperation, but also for running various types of strategic programmes.

SUSBANAT project is a clear example:

how to prepare and support joint investments using EGTC specific capabilities.



Thank you for your attention!

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