

## RENATUR Interregional Thematic Workshop - Project Partner BSC – Kranj

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### Case Study Areas description

## Case Study Area 1: Bohinj

### Geographical and general information

**Bohinj** is small local community on NW of Slovenia, surrounded by Natura 2000 protected areas. Part of the local community lies within the Triglav National park. Local community Bohinj has been awarded several times for its endeavour in the field of sustainable green practices (tourism, mobility...). The small pilot area is located near the lake Bohinj (see picture below), that is now a degraded area, with a surface of around 1 ha.

### Main challenges

The risk of degradation is a result of a high amount of tourist visitors and daily visits of inhabitants to the natural heritage and green areas in peri-urban open spaces (PUOS) of this region. To support sustainable usage of the green areas, the development of innovative green solutions is becoming more and more relevant. However, so the question of strategic planning of green infrastructures have not been tackled as key-element for development of further green policy approaches.

### Inputs for discussion

- The importance of the green infrastructure and its solutions for maintaining the biodiversity in PUOS and also within the settlements of the local community;
- improve policies to tackle the green infrastructure topic in a quality way and upgrade planning approaches related to green infrastructure,
- get support/advices in development of green infrastructure approaches on operational/strategic level (especially from the point of view of development of local policy/development of national policy)

Photo Bohinj, part of the pilot site



Left picture by Tristan Mimet, Pixabay; right picture: by Miran Lesnik, Pixabay.

## Case Study Area 2: Škofja loka

### Geographical and general information

**Škofja loka** is one of the biggest local communities northwest of Slovenia, with rich cultural heritage. In fact, the whole city centre is characterised by a traditional, protected heritage area. The Several relevant services and industries (such as automotive industry, wood industry, ICT, etc..) are located in the city and its suburbs. While the city is surrounded by nature, green areas within the city and in Peri-Urban areas are very limited, especially in the areas near the old protected city centre.

The small pilot area, relevant to RENATUR, is located at the edge of old part of the city. It covers a surface of more than 2 ha with old former military barracks. These buildings have been partly already restored but not yet fully assigned to new functions for new services. Other buildings located on this site could most likely be demolished and the area could be connected to a green area called Kamnitnik, which is degraded, but has potentials to become a role model for green infrastructure approach.

### Main challenges

The pilot area presents diverse development opportunities both for public and private functions, including recreational activities, that can support better quality of life. In order to realize these opportunities, the area needs to be redesigned considering possible actions for greening it.

### Inputs for discussion

- Solutions for the revitalisation of the overall area (Barracks and Kamnitnik);
- improve policies and approaches for the development of green infrastructure,
- get support/advices in development of approaches of green infrastructure on operational/strategic level (especially from the point of view of development of local policy/development of national policy)



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