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Slovenian experiences

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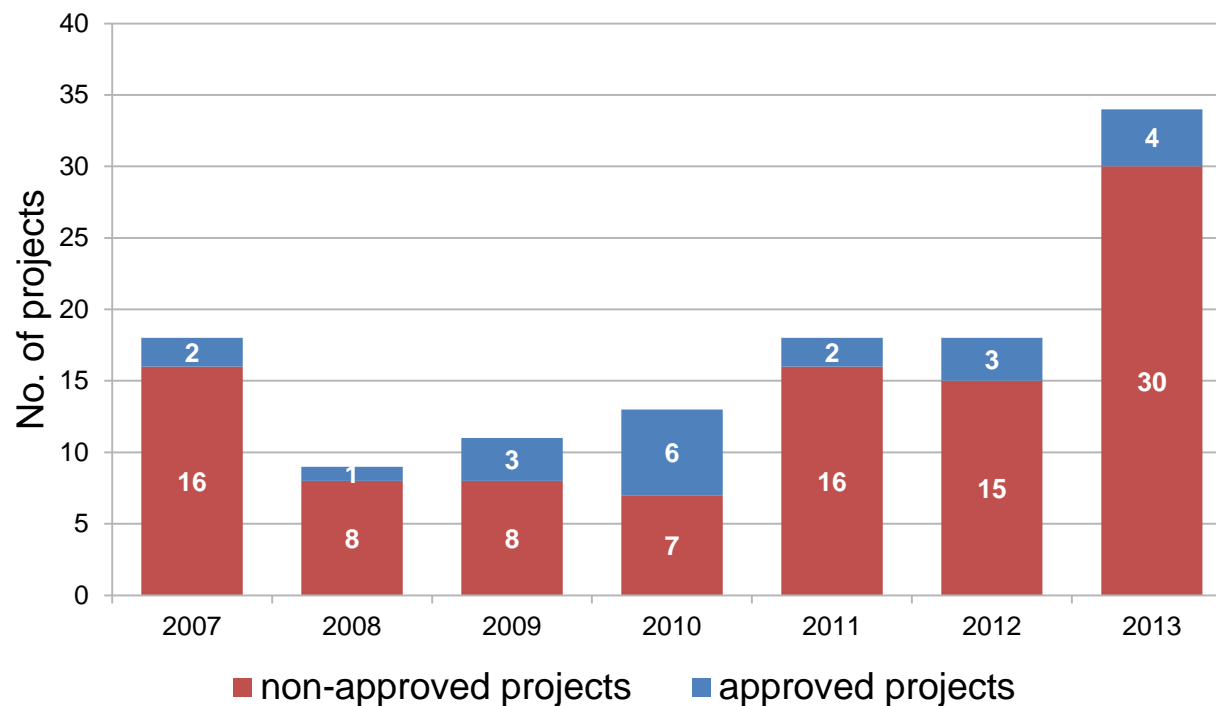


LIFE PROJECTS IN SLOVENIA

- LIFE (I, II in III) 1992 – 2006
- LIFE+ 2007 – 2013
- Slovenia from (1993) 2000 on
- Altogether 33 projects approved:
 - N&B: 21
 - EP&G: 8
 - I&C: 4
- Finance:
 - 55,5 millions EUR total project value
 - 30 millions EUR LIFE

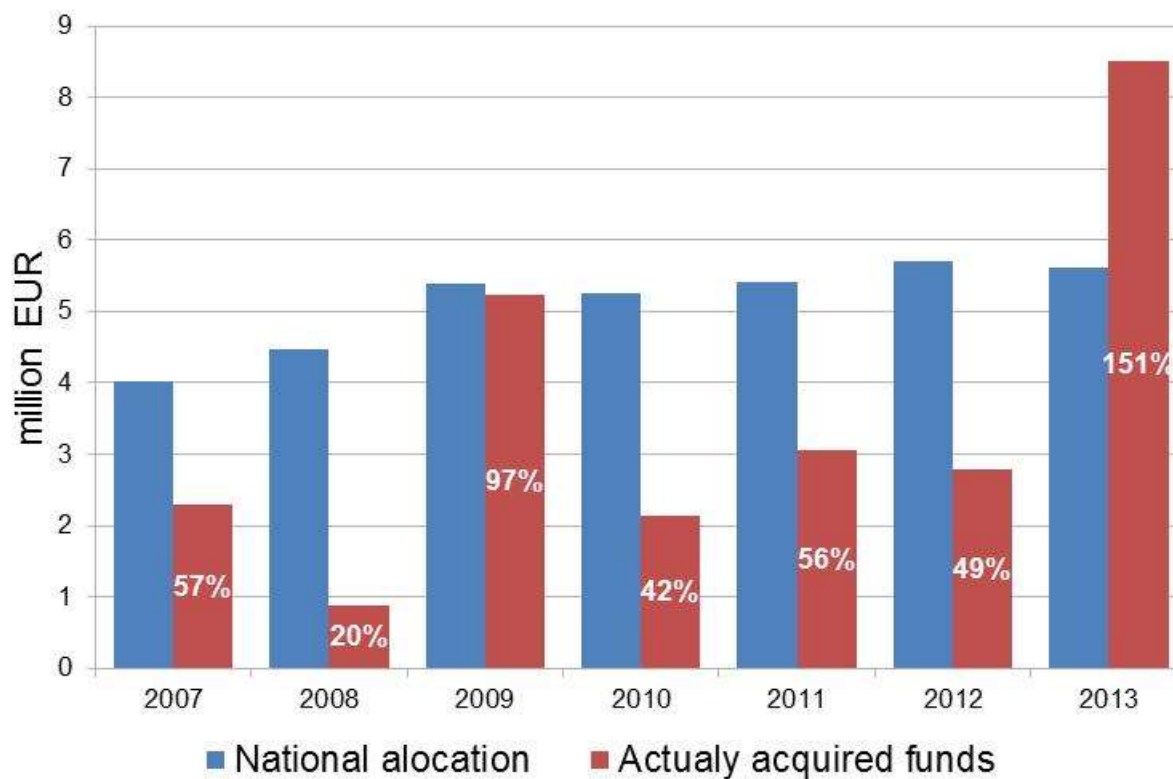


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ACTIVITIES OF THE MINISTRY

AFTER THE LAUNCH OF THE CALL OF EC

- Informing the potential applicants about the call,
- Publication of national call for proposals for co-financing after the call of EC,
- Organizing 1 – 2 workshops for applicants,
- Individual consultation meetings with applicants upon request.



ACTIVITIES OF THE MINISTRY

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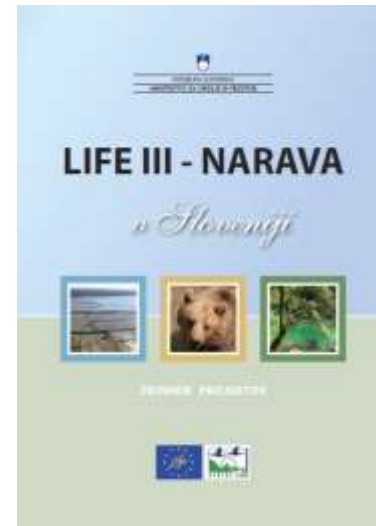
- Monitoring of co-financed projects,
- Joining the monitoring visits of EC and ASTRALE,
- Publication of news and activities of different projects and of LIFE programme (only nature projects):
 - In electronic monthly news e-natura,
 - On national Natura 2000 web site <http://www.natura2000.gov.si/>
- Communication with EK



ACTIVITIES OF THE MINISTRY

PUBLICATIONS

Review of LIFE III Nature projects in Slovenia (2007)



Projects in Slovenia
- 20 years of LIFE (2012)



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

REGARDING PROJECT TOPICS

- N&B: far most numerous
 - Conservation of N2000 species (brown bear, wolf, otter, moths and bats, Mediterranean shag, crex)
 - Restoration of N2000 habitats (wetlands – 10 p., dry meadows)
 - Natura 2000 projects (establishment, management)



Photo: web site Nature park Sečoveljske soline



Photo: web site SLOWOLF



Photo: web site Life at night



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

REGARDING PROJECT TOPICS

- EP&G:
 - Energy efficiency,
 - Protection against water and soil pollution
- I&C:
 - Promotion of management (separate collection, recycling) of different kinds of waste



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Photo: web site ReBirth



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SEPARATE COLLECTION



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

REGARDING APPLICANTS

N&B

- Public bodies: after new Fiscal Balance Act in 2012 was adopted:
 - Money for co-financing is very limited,
 - Employment of project staff is very limited
- NGO: in Slovenia a lot of small NGO, not capable to apply for LIFE project, difficult even to be a partner – 50% of own contribution was a lot

ENV

- Private org.: not much interested until 2011 (50% own contribution), bigger interest after 2011 due to financial crisis.



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

REGARDING SUCCESS OF APPLICATION

- Well defined problem(s), solution(s), team to achieve goals & results, stakeholders – logical framework
- Well defined EU added value,
- Value for money
- Read the guidelines, common provisions



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

REGARDING SUCCESS OF PROJECTS

- Better the application is prepared (technically & financially), easier is to manage the project
- Co-operation among partners is essential already while preparing the application
- Co-operation among different interest groups
- For N&B projects: the success of the project depends on the attitude of local people



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

OPPORTUNITIES

- N&B: contribution to establishment of Natura 2000 network;
- Capacity building for organisations, particularly nature conservation;
- Co-operation among different authorities, stakeholders;
- Recognizing that protection of nature and environment can be an opportunity for the development;
- International relations established, experiences exchanged;
- New jobs...



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

- LIFE is in the long run project;
- Only the best applications can be successful;
- When the project is well prepared it is easy to implement it
- LIFE project is a team-work – a good team is a guaranty for a good project



LIFE PROGRAMME – LESSONS LEARNT

In Slovenia there are only unsuccessful applications,
all projects are successful



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