

Landscape Development and Community Sample Programme for a Pleasant Village,

Local Government of Mátraderecske, Roma Minority Local Government of Mátraderecske

The main focus of this programme is to use landscape as a territory that contributes to human well-being and as a resource for sustainable economic activity. Thanks to the potential of the landscape and its natural, cultural and historical assets, new regional opportunities have opened up: the preservation of existing jobs and the creation of new ones; a reliance on the strong solidarity of locals; the conservation of local Palóc traditions; the strengthening of the power of the local community and reinforcing its local identity by familiarising people with local cultural, historical and natural assets.



The Committee of Ministers acknowledged and praised the great value of each project presented for the 5th Session 2016-2017 of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe's European Landscape Convention and recommended making it well-known to the general public for its exemplary value, and as a source of inspiration. "Landscape Development and Community Sample Programme for a Pleasant Village" is a positive example of landscape development and regional economic development. It has resulted in a return to traditional farming, population stabilisation and enhanced local viability.