





#### EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE AWARD Martvili Canyon Sustainable Development

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#### Martvili Canyon

- Martvili Canyon Natural Monument is located in Martvili Municipality, Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti region.
- Martvili Canyon has received Natural Monument status in 2013
- Martvili Canyon Administration has been established in 2015



#### Summary of the Project

- Until 2010, Martvili Canyon was popular only among the local population
- Canyon was trashed and flora and faunas was suffering from illegal fishing and poaching.
- Since 2015, has been arranged a proper infrastructure at Martvili Canyon



### Central aims of the Project:



**Environmental Protection and Conservation** 



**Eco-Infrastructure Development** 



Local Populations' Social-Economic Conditions Improvement



Awareness-Raising

# Activity 1: Environmental Protection and Conservation

Number of cleaning activities have been conducted for environmental protection and conservation

Students have cleaned the area

Number of species of fish and birds have been reintroduced







# Activity 2: Within the Project has been constructed



**View Points** 



**Administration Building** 



Visitors Centre



**Boat Shelter** 



Bridges



Walking Trails

# Government of Georgia decided to give boating territory with 5 years leasing rule to the local populations LTD "Oputsokhi"

"Oputsokhi invested GEL 90 000 and purchased:

- 1) High quality Boats
- 2) Safety Vests
- 3) Rescue Equipment





#### Visitor Statistics 2016-2018

300 % increase in visitors





## Employment Number 2015-2017

Since Project Implementation social and economic condition has been rapidly increased; In 2015-2017 The Employment rate has increased 40%



## Revenues 2017-2018 (11 Months)

Own revenues of the park has increased since 2017 to 2018

#### **REVENUES IN GEL**



#### Output

The Agency of Protected Areas conducted the research in 2017 and calculated economic output in the surrounding of Martvili Canyon

By local Communities through Tourist Activities has been generated:

GEL 17,394,244

## Territorial Sustainable Development

- Since 2015 environmental sustainability has been increased
- Flora and Fauna is more protected
- Better Infrastructure is built
- Employment has increased







#### Partners & Financial Bodies

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Martvili Municipality

#### Financial Bodies



The Agency of Protected Areas of Georgia







Transboundary Joint Secretariat (TJS)





## Thank you for attention