



Our Recent International Projects

One of the ways for the Regional Council of Kainuu to implement the Regional Programme is by preparing and implementing own projects related to the organisations' tasks and the focus points of the regional strategy. The organisation may also subcontract such activities, co-finance projects and/ or act as a partner in projects.

We also support other Kainuu located organisations' projects without being an official partner. For example, many of the projects in which the regional development company Kainuun Etu Oy is involved as partner or as the leading organisation, involve also the Regional Council of Kainuu in some way. Such projects aren't mentioned here but will be listed later on at our English website (to be opened). Below you'll find a list of some international projects that we have lately been involved in, either **as a lead partner or a partner**.

1. BRIDGES (Bridging competence infrastructure gaps and speeding up growth and jobs delivery in regions)

Duration: 2016 – 2021

Lead Partner: Kainuun Etu Oy

Short Description: The overall objective of BRIDGES project is to significantly improve the RIS3 implementation governance and the delivery of Structural Funds.

2. Regional collaboration on the theme of migration / demographics for maintaining employment and tax base, Nordic Council of Ministers' Nordic Demographic Programme 2014

Duration: 2014 – 2015

Lead Partner: Regional Council of Jämtland, Sweden

Short Description: Taking a holistic approach to break the population decline for the sparsely populated areas involved and maintaining tax-funded welfare for citizens and an attractive business environment.

3. CCD - Core Competence Development , The ESF Operational Programme in mainland Finland

Duration: 2013 - 2015

Lead Partner: Kajaani University of Applied Sciences, Finland

Short Description: Helping the Kainuu' s SMEs (Cleantech, ICT and tourism) and organizations to internationalize or to open an international research and development/ innovation by identifying the development needs of enterprises, preparing a plan for their implementation and helping companies and organizations to implement internationalization and specific R & D /I activities at the international level.



4. BLOKOS - The Biofuel Power in Kostomuksha, Karelia ENPI CBC

Duration: 2013 - 2014

Lead Partner: Regional Council of Kainuu

Short Description: Construction of 0,6 MW heating plant, sludge and wood chips as a raw material, to possession city of Kostomuksha.

5. BGLC Bothnian Green Logistic Corridor , Baltic Sea Region Programme 2007-2013

Duration: 2011 - 2014

Lead Partner: Region of Västerbotten, Sweden

Short Description: Developing the existing and future Bothnian Corridor into an efficient, reliable and green transport corridor, connecting northern Scandinavia's raw materials with the markets in Europe.

<http://www.bothniangreen.se/>

6. Greensettle Green Cities and settlements, Karelia ENPI CBC

Duration: 2011 -2013

Lead Partner: Nortech Oulu, Finland

Short Description: Encouraging the development of green cities and settlements in remote border areas, creating the smallest possible ecological footprint and producing the lowest quantity of pollution possible, while efficiently using land and providing a pleasant living environment.

<http://nortech oulu.fi/GREENSETTLE/>

7. FRESH - Forwarding Regional Sustainable Environmental Hierarchies, Interreg IVC

Duration: 2010 – 2013

Lead Partner: Kainuun Etu Oy, Finland

Short Description: Promoting eco innovation through sustainable construction in eight European regions.

<http://www.freshproject.eu/>

8. Robinwood Plus - Apply participatory forest planning for sustainability, Interreg IVC

Duration: 2010 – 2013

Lead Partner: Liguria Region, Italy



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Short Description: A miniprogramme promoting the multifunctional role of forests as engine for economic development, environment protection and improvement of quality of life in rural areas.

<http://www.robinwoodplus.eu/>