Ksamil Urban Lab – Participatory urban planning in Albania

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Overview of the PIUTD project

- Project for Integrated Urban and Tourism Development (PIUTD)
- Support tourism-related local economic development in South of Albania, in particular four project municipalities Berat, Permet, Gjirokastra and Saranda
- PDO:
  - Improve urban infrastructure
  - Enhance tourism assets;
  - Strengthen institutional capacity
- 63.8 M EUR/4 Components
- Ksamil – a small town in Municipality of Saranda
Ksamil Urban Lab

- Pilot a participatory urban planning approach under PIUTD to support development of an urban strategy for Ksamil
- Collaboration of the PIUTD and Urban Partnership Program (UPP) – funded by UPP
- Addressing variety of urban and economic development challenges in Ksamil:
  - Popular tourism destination on the coast
  - Unplanned urban growth/informal development
  - Lack of public/green spaces
  - Insufficient urban infrastructure
  - Urban mobility/parking
Key elements of the Ksamil Urban Lab

• Capacity building and participatory planning intervention
• Close collaboration with urban planning experts from Vienna (Superwien and Technical University of Vienna)
• Building bottom up approach through participatory planning with local and national stakeholders
• Close collaboration with Albanian National Planning Agency/Atelier Albania
• A day at the Ksamil Urban Lab
STRATEGY & PROCESS

Entrance Square
Lakefront Development
Main Square
Seaside Marina
Waterfront Development
Coastal Square
Pedestrian Zone
Public Beach

Ksamil Box
PLANNING MADE EASY:

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PLANNING MADE EASY:

This shouldn't be here.
The road signs, 30
We need a sidewalk here.
Amusement Park
Shopping Mall
Parking space
The sidewalk should be wider. So the people can walk there.
Thank you for your attention!