

THE CITY

Kardzhali, Bulgaria
49,661 inhabitants



The town of Kardzhali has become a real administrative, commercial, cultural and industrial centre which belongs not only to the Municipality of Kardzhali, but also to the whole Eastern Rhodopes. The town is 259 km away from Sofia and 90 km away from the town of Plovdiv which is the second largest town in Bulgaria. For the time being, the nearest border checkpoint “Captain Andreevo” is 132 km away from the town and it connects Bulgaria to Turkey and Greece. Considerable amounts of investments have been attracted to this town in order to build many industrial, construction and trade companies. Thus, it has become the economic centre of the Kardzhali District.

THE SUMP

Introduction of new urban transport and mobility system based on reduction of the transit traffic, new parking policy and increasing possibilities for cycling and walking.

SPECIFIC INDICATORS

- Reductions in CO2 equivalent, NOx, and PM 10 emissions by 5% in 5 years
- Decrease the use of cars by 10% in the next 7 years
- Reduction of road deaths by with 20% in the next 7 years.

LONG-TERM SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- Ensuring sustainable and environmental friendly mobility in Kardzhali by increasing the cycling and walking possibilities and optimizing the PT lines
- Reduce the transit traffic in the city, thus improving the environmental parameters.

MID-TERM GOALS

- Extending the cycling paths by 5 km in length
- Introduction of new parking system with 3 zones (blue, green and yellow).

MAIN IMPLEMENTATION FEATURES

Context analysis

Data collected by sources for the existing mobility transport system; transport audit recommended and planned to be performed in 2016.

Other key points

Financing options are included for funding mainly by the municipal budget and OPRG (SF); walking shared spaces and logistic measures foreseen.

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- Establishment of a new parking policy with zoning
- Increase the use of cycling and walking by designing and opening new cycling paths and walking spaces.

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