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Projekt IDEA-CITIES

Netzwerk für die Erprobung Integrierter Stadt- und Raumentwicklungsansätze
Network for Integrated Urban and Spatial Development Approaches

IDEA-CITIES - Good Arguments

The project IDEA-CITIES is part of priority 1 (Promoting spatial development approaches and actions for social and economic cohesion), measure 1.2 (Shaping urban development, promoting urban networks and co-operation). The project is characterized as follows:

1. The aim of the project IDEA-CITIES is forward-looking and achieves the aspects of sustainability. By working out the integrated development plans, the project cities will be qualified to accommodate their spatial and urban development to future demands and requirements.
2. From 2007 on, the structural funds of the EU will concentrate more intensively on investments within the cities. The „urban dimension“ will be more important. The integrated development concepts that are to be worked out refer to this idea and are strongly characterised by the thought of preparing investments.
3. The idea of a network and the creation of trans-national partnerships emphasize the trans-national level. The surplus for the development of national politics is high.
4. The structure of partners is well-balanced with 19 partners of 6 countries. With the intensive cooperation of the partners the European surplus can be seen at national level.
5. The organisation and management of the project is guaranteed by the intensive cooperation during the prepared application (since October 2004), the definite task sharing and the high classification.
6. The preparation in form and content is already very advanced. The project and network agency exist as well as the website. Because of that, the immediate beginning of the project is made possible after being authorised by the EU.
7. The structure and distribution of costs are adequate so that a high degree of results at urban, local and overall level will be achieved.
8. The Partners will be integrated in the financing according to their financial possibilities and their defined demands. Concerning the German Partners the Ministry of Infrastructure and Spatial Planning (MIR) is going to support the working out of integrated development plans by additional funds for city conversion.

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