

## ICP-AGIR Best Practice for NON-EU CITY (Country) / EU City (Country)

Climate Adaptation Observatory of Attica Region	
	ATHENS (Hellenic Republic)
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<b>Description of the best practice</b>	Regional Plan for Adaptation in Climate Change (RPACC) of Attica
<b>Theme and sub-theme if appropriate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Climate Adaptation Observatory of Attica Region</li> <li>- Pilot application for flood risk reduction - Municipality of Peristeri</li> </ul>

Description of Best practice	
<b>Challenge Addressed</b>	Climate crisis worldwide has led to initiatives and strategies for the mitigation of the GHGs emissions and the adaptation to climate change. The RPACC of Attica specifies the guidelines and proposed measures of the National Strategy for the Adaptation to Climate Change. It prioritises measures and actions for all sectors (Health, Transportation, Urban environment, etc) and assesses their feasibility at regional level. It takes into consideration the particularities of each Regional Unit of Attica as well as its compatibility with other related policies, strategies and plans at national and regional level.
<b>Solution Implemented</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Climate Adaptation Observatory of Attica Region is an horizontal measure of high priority of Attica's RPACC. It addresses the need for collection, processing and visualization of climatic, meteorological, atmospheric, other environmental and required related geospatial data and information as well as data and information related to policies, projects and interventions affecting the protection of the environment. Amongst others, it develops dissemination tools and it constructs and develops a system of indicators for monitoring the adaptation of climate change in Attica Region.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The pilot application for flood risk reduction introduces smart flood protection with small interventions that will support existing infrastructure, delaying or reducing flood runoff and enhancing civil protection in the municipality of Peristeri.</li> </ul>
<b>Partnerships</b>	<p>The elaboration of the Attica's RPACC is a result of collaboration of National Observation of Athens, University of Athens, Agricultural University of Athens, Athens Academy, independent researchers and scientists under the coordination of ADENS SA.</p>
<b>Lessons Learned</b>	<p>Due to the character of the Attica Region, being the capital, most populated Region that offers the strongest socio-economic environment in the country, the benefits that will be achieved through a successful adaptation to climate change go beyond the regional level.</p> <p>For the successful implementation of Attica's RPACC the following are considered as necessary requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthening social awareness of the dangers of climate change. Each one of us and our society as a whole should and can do something to adapt to climate change. It may be small changes of our daily attitudes but it may be decisive if it becomes consciousness and habit of the major part of the society.</li> <li>• Integrate the effects of climate change in every action and works of Attica Region, especially in those referring to projects and technical constructions. Every project should include provision for adaptation to climate change no matter if it is short-term or long-term project.</li> <li>• Improve the quality of the information collected on the evolution of climate change, the dissemination of information and the accessibility to data, will be an important point for improving the adaptive capacity of the Attica Region.</li> </ul>
<b>Main Milestones</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Specifications for RPACC/ tenders call</li> <li>- Experts engagement/Dissemination events</li> <li>- Elaboration of RPACC</li> <li>- Public consultation</li> <li>- Offered opinions by competent authorities</li> <li>- Approval of Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment of RPACC</li> <li>- RPACC approval by Regional Council of Attica</li> </ul>

Materials for promotion	
<b>Quote from city representative</b>	The RPACCs must be implemented to make the Regions less vulnerable to climate change and its (negative) impacts.
<b>Graphic Material</b>	<a href="#">videos, images, documents</a> (in Hellenic)
<b>Online links</b>	<a href="#">RPACC of Attica</a> (in Hellenic)