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Green Economy – project examples

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Some examples from 2007-13 RDPs



The benefits for green economy come from

- being aware of the need to protect and enhance natural resources
- looking for opportunities to use these efficiently but non-destructively
- defining clear objective(s) of the project
- imaginative design and implementation
- effective use of RDP and other funding

Most of these projects are not labeled 'green economy'







Austria – Kulm am Zirbitz





Saving Doblemoos peat moor from destruction

- **GE:** active carbon storage and jobs in nature conservation
- ++ wetland wildlife habitats and resource for recreation, education, ecotourism

RDP: restore water levels, remove plantation trees, visitor access and information, vegetation management by low-level grazing #RNAssembly2015



Denmark – Midtyelland region





Low emission, high tech livestock housing

GE: efficient production, innovative slurry and air control systems, improved air quality

++ animal welfare, working environment, good practice

RDP: investment support









Slovakia - Žilina region





GE: protecting 1,700 ha forest resources from fire

++ flood protection, wetland habitat, tourism, recreation

RDP: restoring forestry potential and introducing preventive actions

New woodland reservoir









Germany - Mainz





GE: downstream flood protection of farmland, businesses and residential property

++ wetland conservation, reduced deforestation, reduced environmental impact

RDP: planning, land consolidation, construction work

Eco-friendly dyke building on the Upper Rhine









Greece – Thessaloniki



Opening up new, sustainable ecotourism routes in areas that are rich in wildlife, making use of 'dormant' natural resources

GE: opportunities for local businesses along the routes

++ education opportunities, awareness of natural resources

RDP: waymarking, information, viewing points

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Hungary - Harsány



Supporting local entrepreneur to produce innovative solar roof tiles

GE: increased local production of innovative renewable energy technology

++ more adaptable than solar panels, suitable for wider range of uses

RDP: investment support for new factory













New technology to produce high quality woodfuel

GE: adding value to a renewable energy product; local development of technology to dry 20 000 tonnes of wood chip.

++ climate mitigation benefits, sustainable cropping (willow coppice)

RDP: investment support via Leader LAG







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