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A Smart Villages approach in Central Europe: The More than a Village (MTAV) project

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MTAV PARTNERSHIP

- LP Local Action Group Association "South Warmia"
- PP2 Balteus Foundation
- PP3 Hajdú Bihar County Government
- PP4 ITC Innovation Technology Cluster Murska

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- PP5 Institute for Development and International Relations
- PP6 City of Buzet
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WHAT IS THE OBJECTIVE OF THE MTAV PROJECT?

• Test and develop different models of a smart village in the Central Europe regional context that will increase the **attractiveness of rural areas** and create **favourable conditions for local businesses**



- By exploiting the potential of rural regions, the project will aim to create new jobs, stabilize rural population and strengthen economic resilience of non-urban areas
- The project will increase the potential of rural regions by making use of their local strengths to expand existing or developing new economic activities with the use of ICT





MAIN PROJECT OUTPUTS

The main project's outputs are:

- joint strategy on smart village transition, followed by action plans for selected territories
- three pilot actions consisting of testing different smart village models
- **joint solutions** to be applied in rural areas in CE and beyond
- create effective links with other projects dedicated to smart rural development, such as Alpine Space SmartCommUnity and Horizon Smart ERA





PROJECT WORK PLAN

WP1 - **BUILDING** Joint approach and strategy for making villages smarter

WP2 - **TESTING** Smart village transition - From strategies to actions

WP3 - ROLL-OUT Tools and territorial roll-out







PILOTS



Pilot 1. Business support and digitalisation smart village

- <u>LAG SW</u> Designing and testing a new Smart Village Hub in South Warmia, Poland
- <u>Hajdú Bihar County</u>
 <u>Government</u> Piloting a new
 Digital Silver Economy Hub in
 Hajdú-Bihar County, Hungary



Pilot 2. Smart tourism village

 <u>Liguria</u> - Improvement of smart tourism services in 1 valley of the Genoese Apennines, Italy



Pilot 3. Smart agriculture village

<u>ITC – Innovation Technology Cluster</u> <u>Murska Sobota</u> - Innovation system for reduction of food loss and waste in Murska Sobota, Slovenia

<u>City of Buzet</u> - Virtual agri-food web platform in Buzet, Croatia





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