

# Synergies of Climate Adaptation Projects in Vas County – Integrating Risk Management, Water Governance and Community Resilience

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The Vas County Government Office participates in a significant number of interregional cooperation projects, three of which have close professional ties: the CLIMATE, Gov4Water, and LOCALIENCE projects all support adaptation to climate change in complementary dimensions.

The CLIMATE project is centred on the management of risk, the assessment of vulnerability, and the establishment of protocols for disaster management. The project promotes a proactive response to extreme weather events and the institutional and policy integration of considerations for climate adaptation.

The Gov4Water project has been developed to adapt water management systems to climate stress, with a particular focus on nature-based solutions and the strengthening of cooperation between sectors and administrative levels.

The LOCALIENCE project is a social initiative that aims to enhance community involvement, participatory methods, and social resilience. By doing so, it seeks to ensure the acceptance of climate adaptation measures within local communities, ensuring their sustainability and long-term relevance.

The common denominators of the three projects are the prevention-based climate adaptation, the knowledge-based and participatory decision-making, and the development of institutional capacities and governance mechanisms. The synergy between the projects enables the development of a complex, multidimensional climate adaptation model in Vas County, where technical, water management and social approaches converge.

The study visits, workshops and stakeholder meetings have resulted in significant knowledge transfer, which has contributed to the development of the county's climate strategy, the refinement of emergency protocols and the strengthening of water management decision-making. The results of the projects are being incorporated into the county's development strategy-making and decision-making processes, thereby increasing Vas County's preparedness and resilience to the effects of climate change.

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