

What we are doing in our LAG



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seasons
in region
2006
2024

... small steps to sustainable Brdy-Vltava region
OUR GOAL AND DREAM 😊



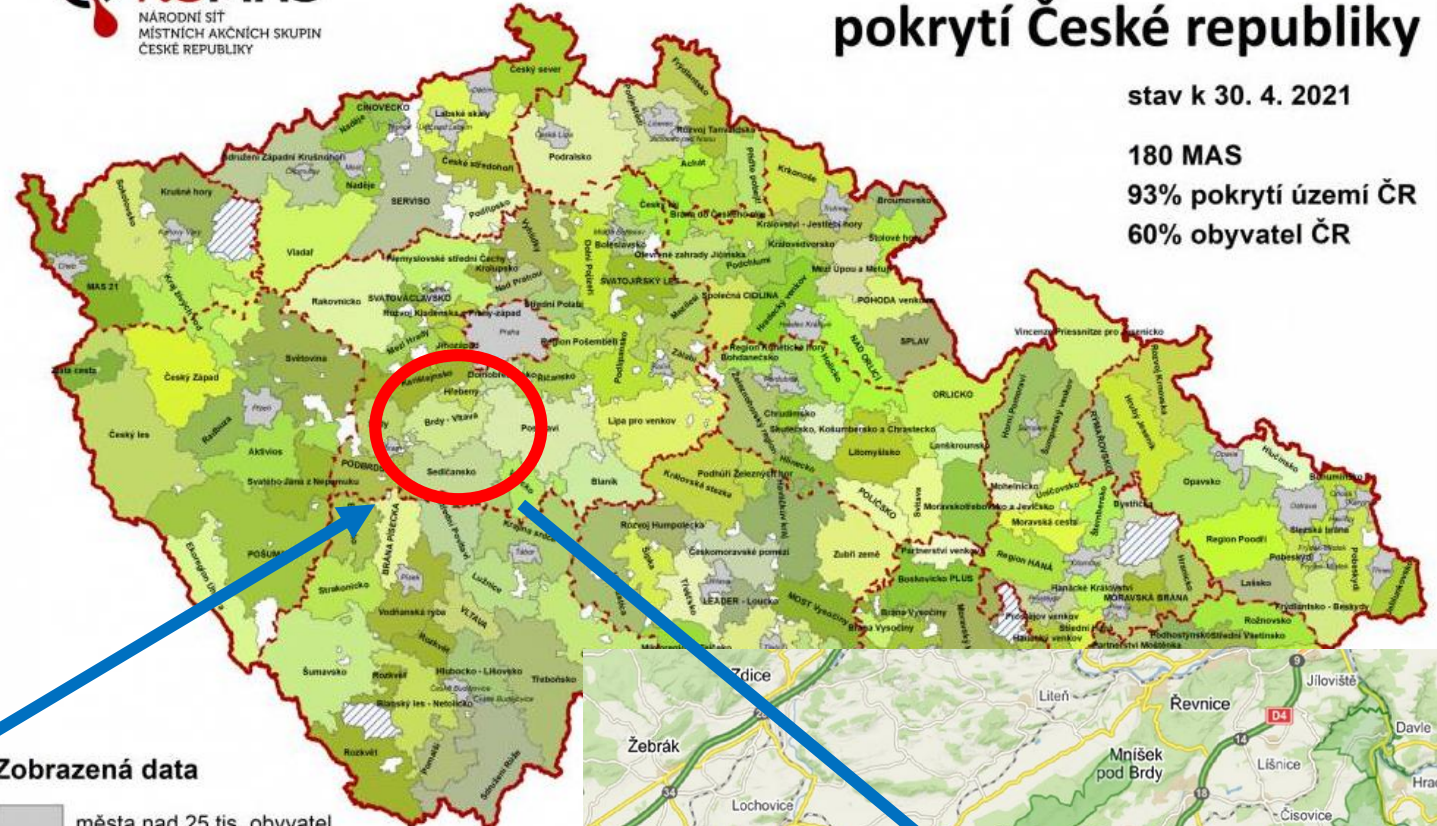
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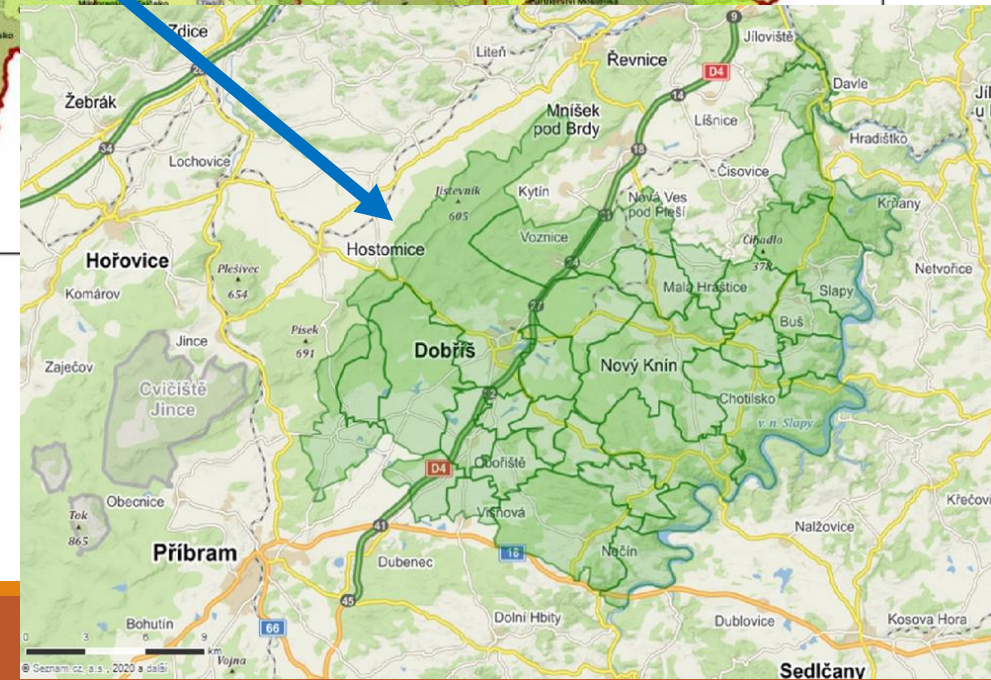
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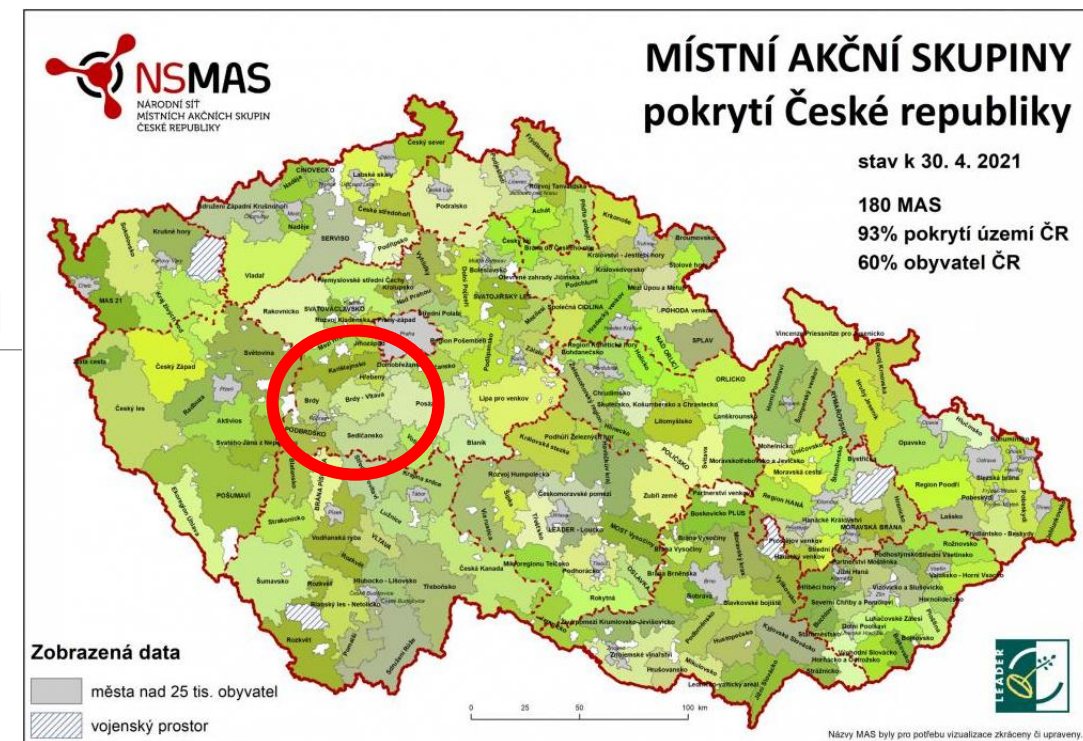


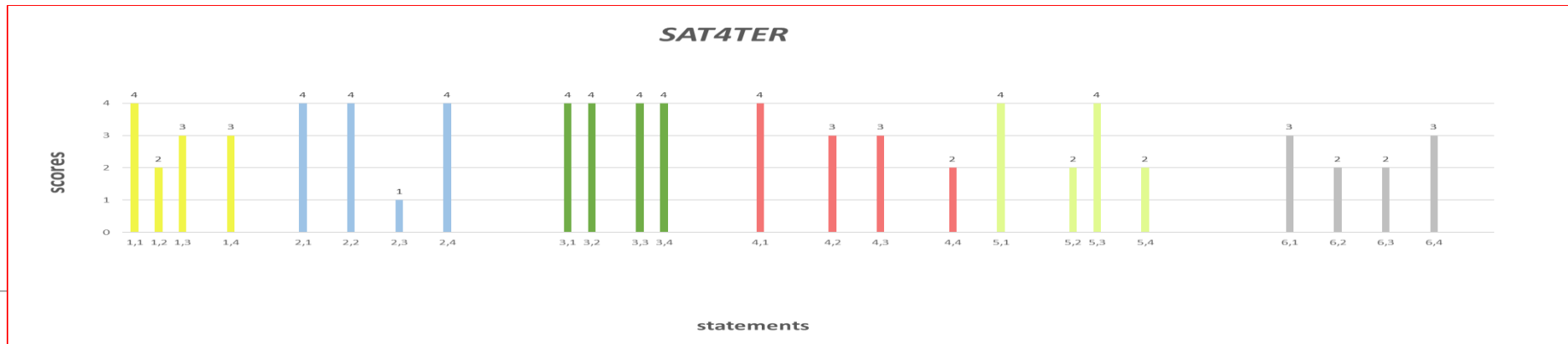
Zobrazená data

- města nad 25 tis. obyvatel
- vojenský prostor



- Central Bohemia Region – 40 km from the capital of Prague,
- 32 municipalities in our LAG (31.665 inhabitants),
- We are in this region since 2006,
- We have 47 partners at this time,
- Strategy of Community – Led Local Development 2021-2027 (= CLLD)
 - supported areas: local businesses (incl. farmers and social businesses), municipalities, social area, support of regional employment, kindergartens, primary schools, nature trails etc.
- Our budget for distribution in the period 2021- 2027 is 74.000.000 CZK (2.989.118 EUR)





- **7 Objectives:** To improve our knowledge and skills (**education**), Good care services (**social area**), Work and do business in our region (**support of employment and local businesses**), **Community life**, **Public facilities** (incl. nature), **Tourisms**, **Cooperation and networking**
- **FUNDING TYPE:** Multi-funds – ERDF, EARDF, ESF+
- **SAT4TER: SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOL FOR TERRITORIAL AND LOCAL STRATEGIES:**
- **STRATEGIC DIMENSION, TERRITORIAL FOCUS, GOVERNANCE, CROSS-SECTORAL INTEGRATION, FUNDING AND FINANCE, MONITORING**
- Due to the tool we identified new areas we have not thought about before (and we were also weak in) – **rural – urban linkages (as we are close to the capital of Prague)**, **the importance of connecting our strategy with the most important national and global territorial development agendas** (and that we need to know about them more). We ensured ourselves about the importance of **good but simple monitoring and evaluation**.
- **SAT4TER gave us new perspective on our strategy and its broader context.**
- The way how to link the local level with the vision of the EU (**how to make regional development right and in the EU context**).

TERRITORIAL PER-REVIEW – three strategies under review with the help of experts and peers.

- **PEER-REVIEW:** We really enjoyed so many experts focused on our strategy and specific problems we identified. **The comparison of various regions was also very inspiring** (we have problems with overpopulation, while in Portugal they would be glad for new people coming into their region).
- **After the event we went through the main indicators of our strategy again and decide what to focus on.** We will use it for the mid-term evaluation.
- **Simple and useful process to get the outside perspective on your strategy and its objectives.**



OUR PROJECTS IN SOCIAL AREA

- 1) **COMMUNITY PLANNING OF SOCIAL AND REALATED SERVICES (external finance)** – continual monitoring of the needs of our inhabitants. On the basis of this plan we then support activities in social area in our region.
- 2) **SOCIAL FUND FOR BRDY-VLTAVA REGION (external finance)** – municipalities contribute to this fund and we as a LAG distribute the money to the social service providers in our region (on the basis of common Community Plan of Social Services).
- 3) **SUPPORT OF LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE (external finance)** – with the help of our municipalities.
- 4) **WORLD OF GOOD PEOPLE - COMMUNITY CENTER**– our so called „Key Project“ (the most important for LAG community), **supported from our LAG Strategy.**

COMMUNITY PLANNING OF SOCIAL AND RELATED SERVICES

- Long term cooperation with providers of social services and other kind of supporting services (community and family centres, clubs for children etc.).
- Community Plan for Social Services from 2013 - until 2022, now we are participating in updating of the plan for another period until 2027.
- We created active community and learned about the needs of our inhabitants – from the LAG budget we can now support local network of social service providers. We have already supported several projects from this plan:
 - new day centre for elderly people,
 - summer camps for children whose parents are employed,
 - sewing workroom for handicapped people,
 - debts consulting,
 - relief service for handicapped people and their families.
- Some of these projects we do as a LAG – support of long-term unemployed, Social Fund, community centre World of Good People.

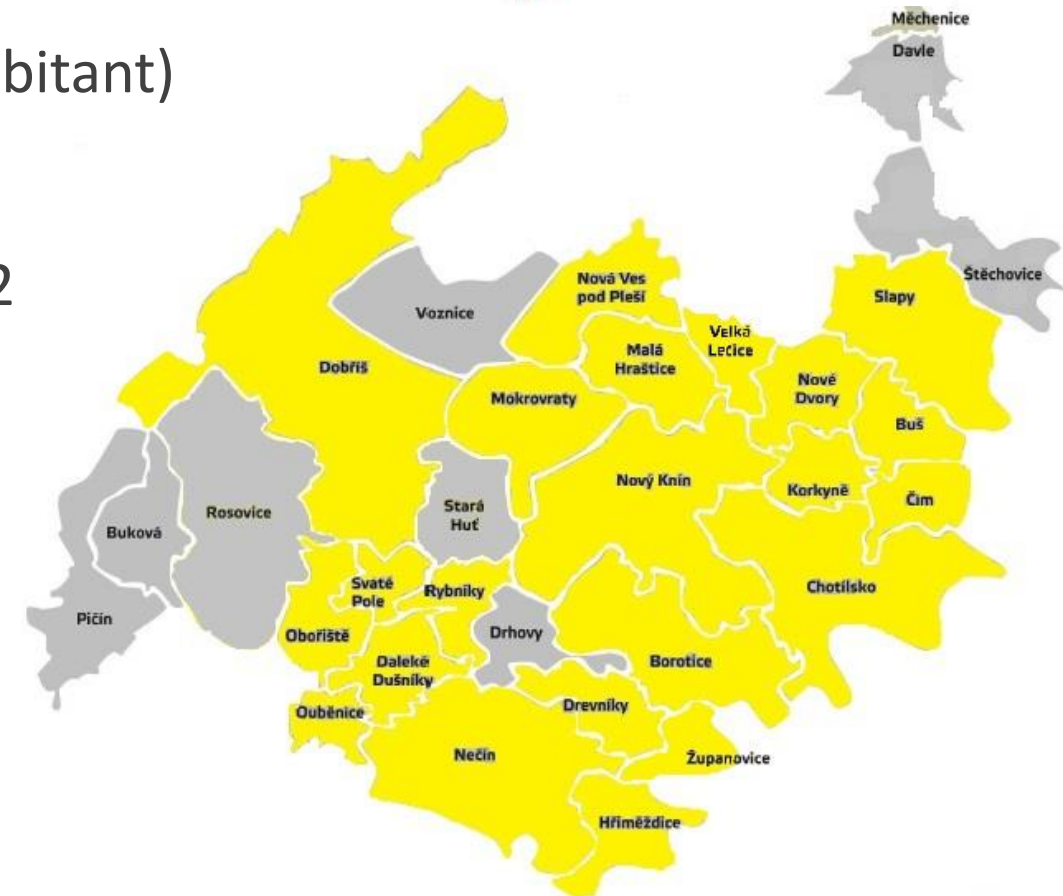


SOCIAL FUND OF BRDY-VLTAVA REGION

- 10 calls (2015 – 2024), finance for providers of social and related services
- Selection board – consisted of the donors and providers from our region (municipality representatives)
- We call for 57 CZK per inhabitant (2.28 EUR per inhabitant)
- 2024 we distributed 1.153.000 CZK (46.680 EUR)
- Involved now 22 municipalities from total number 32
- **OUR GOAL**: to involve all municipalities into the system of social fund and to explain them the importance of regional social service network



**SOCIAL FUND
BRDY-VLTAVA**



EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED OR THREATENED BY SOCIAL EXCLUSION

- Team of workers (long-term unemployed people) who take care about public spaces in our villages– cleaning, cutting grass, pruning, forestry etc.
- Concept of our team is penetrable = who wants to keep the job, we give him all support (professional social consulting, professional psychological support, debts consulting, food aid, etc.)
- We cooperate with local employers – to place employees who went through our support into local companies, so they have a sustainable employment.
- **OUR GOAL**: to strengthen confidence of regional actors in the target group of long-term unemployed, to help people who want to gain and then maintain their job.
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aCB_TgLPIVU
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=477BMwa9FaM>



WORLD OF GOOD PEOPLE - COMMUNITY CENTRE

Beneficiary: Brdy - Vltava o.p.s., project was supported from the LAGs allocation.

Subsidy/Total costs: 149 934,45 EUR (Programming Period 2014-2020, ESF)



Project: LAG Brdy-Vltava pursues this project because it was identified on the basis of the Social Plan as crucial for solving in our region. **The main goal was to create a safe space for meeting people and to help people in need.** We aim to increase participation of local actors to get interest in our region. We offer concrete help (**food aid, sanitary, clothes, individual support, counselling as well as workshops for broader community**). Activities for people in need are for free. **For children and young adults we provide various therapies.**



CLLD at the level of municipalities

- Majority of our municipalities did not have their own development strategy, we have changed it.
- We insist on involving of local people in whole process of creation of municipal strategy (we have questionnaires for inhabitants, meetings with people, they make comments during the process etc.)
- **OUR GOAL**: all municipalities involve people into planning and decision-making, local people are active in local life („cooperate with local experts – he/she knows this, another one knows anything else – and we should connect it together😊“)



CLLD at the level of schools

- After our experience with the strategic planning - we were chosen in region to create development strategy of local education (for kindergartens and primary schools)
- We communicate local needs with schools in this area
- We help with grants (administration, advices) to support schools' development



Rural-urban linkages mainly in connection with the adaptation to climate change – recommendations from the Territorial Peer Review

How to strengthen rural-urban linkages in strategy making, especially in connection with the adaptation to climate change?

Explanation from the LAG of what is missing: Middle level cooperation among local and higher level actors (Central Bohemian Region, national level) to focus on adaptation to climate change.

The discussion developed advice around **three types of action**:

1. Build **recognition** of the LAG position as a strong actor in the field of climate change.

Use education and awareness raising activities, including cooperation with schools and the involvement of young people through events and games. Working in close cooperation with the mayor (who might be able to provide incentives for environmental projects), encouraging responsibility of the business sector (e.g. in recycling), inviting cooperation from artists and crowdfunding campaigns were mentioned as some of the practical steps to achieve this. **(Forest pedagogy, cooperation with LAG in Poland on environmental issues with youngsters).**

2. Build **critical mass** by involving neighbouring LAGs

The environmental situation of the area of the LAG can impact the well-being of the inhabitants of Prague and elsewhere in the region, but the national and regional decision-makers are too distant and not open for collaboration with the local level. Cooperating with other LAGs, especially along the Vltava river, would create the necessary critical mass to be heard at national and regional levels **(together with other Central Bohemian LAGs)**

3. Foster business development and **increase the attractiveness** of the LAG territory for visitors from outside the area (including Prague).

Attracting the attention of the inhabitants of Prague and other neighbouring cities would help strengthening urban-rural linkages and create additional income in the LAG area **(support of tourism in LAG).**

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL COOPERATION

National Network of LAGs Czech Republic – 176 member LAGs – common education, thematic **working groups** (education, social area, innovations and SMART, **climate change adaptation...**). Cooperation with **national authorities**. We are working now on new vision and related goals at the national level.



Regional Network of LAGs in Central Bohemian Region – 27 member LAGs, cooperation on implementation, working group for each Fund. Regular meetings. Cooperation with regional authorities (here we can talk about rural – urban linkages, **critical mass**).





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