

Guidelines for Sustainable Construction

in the Municipalities of Bovec, Kobarid, Tolmin, Cerkno and Idrija

Guidelines for Sustainable Construction in the Municipalities of Bovec, Kobarid, Tolmin, Cerkno and Idrija is a document that was prepared by the working group of 5 architects working in the area addressed and is to be considered also by 5 municipalities while preparing MSP.

It derives from the need, expressed by administration, to have a kind of expert backbone document, which would **help decision makers in the process of spatial interventions in order to avoid uncontrolled development** of construction that doesn't suit regional characteristics, uses alien materials and consequently fails to deliver expected energy performance.

Although some design specifications in the MSP are very precise, there is absence of a clear and unambiguous clause on the use of natural and local materials and principles of the construction that consequently arise.

This document offers **guidance on integrated approach to sustainable construction** as a new spatial development perspective with multiplicative effects and in connection to the **priority use of local materials.**

It offers possibilities of enhancing closed loop economies in the construction sector (by promoting networking in the region).

This document will help to integrate provisions of sustainable construction in the five municipal spatial plans as recommendations that will be used by:

- developers of MSPs,
- the administration in the process of issuing documentation,
- experts in the process of planning,
- investors, etc.

The document favors and **promotes regional characteristic building culture.**

In long term this document could help and encourage municipalities to make an effort toward the initiative to set new criteria in public procurement procedures, where a certified sustainable project would be a priority criterion (instead of the lowest price).

