

Number of inhabitants:

	JVS REGION	URBAN MUNICIPALITY OF NOVO MESTO
2011	142.483	36.296

Development trend:

2030	URBAN MUNICIPALITY OF NOVO MESTO	34.349
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Shrinking population in the municipality

Area of the pilot site:

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2.675 km ²	289,5 km ²

Structure:

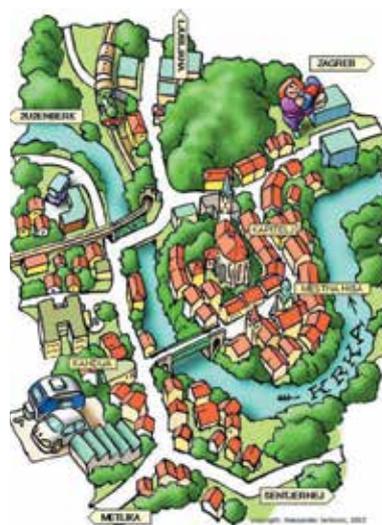
23.341 inhabitants	1 high-order center (Novo mesto)
3.001 – 10.000 inhabitants	5 middle-order centers
1.001 – 2.000 inhabitants	4 low-order centers
< 1.300 inhabitants	10 low-order centers

Main challenges:

- Predominant use of the car by individuals at the expense of other transport means
- Strong dispersion of settlements
- Poor access to the southern parts of the JVS region

Main potentials:

- Relatively well developed urban bus network
- Favorable location along the X. Pan-European transport corridor
- Utility infrastructure rather well developed in most of the major settlements



Tools implemented in the Jugovzhodna Slovenija statistical region:

- 1 ICT cost-tool for households
- 2 ICT cost-tool for planners and mobility actors
- 3 Tool for consultancy and training for political decision making processes



Needs and expectations expressed by the territory regarding the MORECO tools

At the beginning of the MORECO project – in line with the known fact that, in the pilot area and nationwide, automobility is the dominant mode of mobility and a “state of mind” - , the expectations and needs of stakeholders were rather diffuse and poorly defined. Only the Urban municipality of Novo mesto, also an observer in the project, expressed an interest primarily in the development and implementation of the tool for spatial planners.

After successful presentations in the pilot area and beyond, the interest of stakeholders in the project content increased significantly. Presentations done so far are recorded on the UIRS project homepage (<http://moreco.uirs.si/Domov.aspx>).

MORECO approach to present the tools and stir up the interest of local stakeholders

UIRS contacted a wide range of potential stakeholders via email and partly over the phone. Many presentations were organized and carried out with the assistance of the representatives of the Urban municipality of Novo mesto.

Considerable interest has been expressed also by the Slovenian Ministry of infrastructure and spatial planning.

Evolution of the local situation, regarding the first expectations

MORECO will help improve the local situation mainly by raising awareness of stakeholders with the continuation of dissemination activities until the end of the project and beyond. In order to achieve more concrete and long lasting effects a continuation of the project would be of great importance.

The impacts of MORECO project

The concept of the project is multidisciplinary and allows for inclusion of a wide variety of actors from different levels and types of organizations. This was taken into account when dissemination activities in Slovenia were planned. At the events there were initiatives from the side of participants to establish contacts and start cooperating beyond the currently established sectoral or level-wise practice.

