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#### Public institution AQUATIKA-FRESHWATER AQUARIUM KARLOVAC

Karlovac – the city on 4 rivers – an ideal location for the freshwater aquarium

The aquarium is located on the right bank of the river Korana, in the green zone of the city





## Project



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Public institution AQUATIKA – FRESWATER AQUARIUM KARLOVAC has been created within the project under the name "FRESHWATER AQUARIUM AND THE MUSEUM OF RIVERS – KAQUARIUM" which was cofinanced by the European Union from the European Regional Development Fund within the framework of the Regional Competitiveness Operational programme 2007-2013 in amount 36,2 mil. kn, and total value of the project is 36,7 mil. kn.

#### Partners of the project:











### Vision and mission

• The **vision** of the institution is to be a unique tourist, educational and research destination in the area of freshwater biodiversity

#### • The **mission** is:

- To provide a unique tourist experience based on natural resources
- To encourage conservation about freshwater biodiversity
- To connect economical, educational and research activities



## Target groups:

- ✓ Families with children
- ✓ students
- ✓ Nature lovers
- ✓ Experts and scientists
- ✓ Aquarists and fishermen
- ✓ Visitors of other city events
- ✓ business entities in general (small family businesses, artists, craftsmen, associations, travel agencies and tour operators)



## Additional facilities:

- Aquarium exhibition
- Souvenir shop with handmade products
- Congress hall
- Educational playground room
- Library
- Caffe bar
- Public square
- Outdoor playground
- The vicinity of the beach





## **Activities**

- Various exhibitions
- Educational activities
- Publishing activity
- Endorsing local economy souvenir shop
- Collaboration with several institutions (universities, national parks, ZOO, Institute of science, Gymnasium, city museum, city library, city theatre, kindergarten, elementary schools and high schools,...)









# Results in the 1st year

100.000

**VISITORS** 

**15** 

**EMPLOYEES** 

8 AWARDS

**60** 

**SOUVENIR SUPPLIERS** 

20

**OWN EVENTS (A YEAR)** 

+10.000

**FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS** 



### Plans for the future

- Duration of contract up to 2021
- Work on improving and extending the offer
- Emphasize educational programs
- Activities in the scientific sector
- Involvement in new EU projects
- Specialized professional library
- Karlovac a more developed tourist destination





Thank you for your attention and welcome to Karlovac!

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