1. Institutional setting

- Approval of the Local Waste Management Plan;
- Updating of the Local Waste Management Regulation;
- Establishment of fines and penalties for natural and legal persons who infringe the rules;
- Renovation of existing urban waste collection infrastructure and purchase of new additional containers;
- Rearrangement of urban waste collection standardized system of wheeled containers;
- Establishment of a waste separation system at source, implementation in different pilot areas;
- Creation of individual collection schemes (at source) for large waste customers.









2. Starting point/Project goal



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- Preparation of the local legal and regulatory framework for waste management in accordance with national requirements;
- Improvement of cleaning services in the Municipality of Himara, provide efficient and quality services;
- Promote the separation and minimization of waste at source, as well as at all stages of its generation, through the application of appropriate pilot schemes;
- Stimulation and support of the private sector in recycling and composting activities;
- Creation of an improved financial system (in terms of budget, necessary investments).



3. Approach



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- Continuous provision of general information to the public and businesses such as newsletters, bulletins, posters, social networks, etc.;
- Launch of new initiatives (individual waste collection, recycling and composting) through promotion on television, local radio and newspapers;
- Creation of community groups to promote education and awareness in pilot areas and pilot customers;
- Design and dissemination of information packages by interest groups (citizens, businesses, schools, etc.);
- Use of technological tools and containers to provide general information (slogan, contact numbers, service graphs, etc.).



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4. Outputs

- Increase service areas and improve existing ones;
- As a result of segregation and recycling, fewer quantities were sent to landfills;
- Aesthetic improvement of the bins and the collection site;
- Awareness-raising of residents and tourists;
- The Transfer Station is currently in operation and its area will be used for waste treatment (sorting, stabilization of organic matter, composting) and reloading (transfer) in containers of pressed material to the landfill.





4.1 Sustainability



- The GIZ project will continue for another three years from now;
- Relevant specialists from Himara Municipality have been trained by this project and have improved their performance capabilities;
- Proper implementation of the Plan and Regulation;
- Increase the profitability of separation + recycling and make them available to the waste management system.







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5. Lessons

- Interest and willingness of people to help implement the project;
- Segregation and recycling of waste includes and encourages people's daily behavior;
- The success of the project was greater than expected;
- Importance of the "door-to-door" campaign to efficiently involve households and businesses in resource allocation and recycling activities.





