

# LANDSCAPE PARK STRUNJAN

is one of the 8 European Protected Areas selected within the project **CENTRAL EUROPE ECO-TOURISM: TOOLS FOR NATURE PROTECTION** to test innovative governance systems for sustainable tourism management.

## VALUES

Along the eastern border of Landscape Park Strunjan lie the Belvederre terraces. The area represents one of the entry points to the park. Its potential can be used as a buffer area between the urbanized, tourist area of Izola and the protected nature area. The primary goal of the park is to protect the natural and cultural heritage. The park supports a high diversity of plant and animal species and habitat types, exceptionally for the Slovenian Sea as well as the entire Gulf of Trieste. In addition to nature, the cultural landscape with typical agrarian elements that extend far back into the history and tradition of the area has also been preserved.



## CHALLENGES

The well-preserved nature and the cultural landscape in this area are the reason for increased visit of bathers, hikers, seafarers and others, which is very high in the summer. The area is seen for its touristic use, not considering the natural value it's offering and the impact tourism is causing. The main problem is the behaviour of visitors which is not always adequate (accessing the beach through the different points, which are not arranged paths, parking the cars in the natural environment and poor knowledge of the park). The visitors' behaviour is endangering habitat types and species of the area.

## CEETO ACTIVITIES

The objective of the pilot action is to cooperate with all local stakeholders and to obtain a conceptual solution for the regulation of the area of Belvedere terraces. The objective is to develop a model of cooperation in the design of spatial solutions of the area with authentic green infrastructure, supported by educational and interpretative content, which will also provide the opportunity for long-term cooperation with local tourist stakeholders. Our goal is the presentation of the conceptual solution to the local authority and its endorsement.



For more information on the Landscape Park Strunjan visit:  
<http://www.parkstrunjan.si/>

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