



## **Project Fact Sheet**

Project Name:	"Accountability in Municipal Environmental Frameworks"
Project Value:	€ 19,870.00
Duration:	Start Date: 01/10/2016 End Date: 31/07/2017
Organisation:	Lets Do It Peja
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Direct Beneficiary:	Target group: Legislative and Executive bodies of Peja and Gjakova municipalities Final beneficiaries: Citizens of local communities of Peja and Gjakova municipalities are the direct beneficiaries including offices of the Mayors, Municipal Assemblies, Department Directors and public enterprises dealing with the environment. Enforcement of the rule of law as it relates to the environment could involve everyone from individual citizens, to the local government and its inspectors, and the police.
Partners (if applicable):	N/A
Target Area:	Municipalities of Peja and Gjakova
Overall Objective:	The goal of this project is to increase municipalities' accountability for their legal obligations in protecting and preserving the environment while increasing citizen involvement. This project will involve the citizens, local government, and an environmental NGO in two important environmental advocacy strategies.  In Peja, an evaluation of the current Local Environmental Action Plan (LEAP) will inform citizens and decision makers what has been accomplished since the plan was written in 2009, and what remains to be done. Those responsible will be put on notice by reports, public events, and active citizen engagement.  In Gjakova, a successful model for an Environmental Consultative Committee will be designed and implemented with the cooperation of the local government.
Activities:	<ol> <li>Conduct interviews, review documents and conduct research to determine current status of each Strategic Priorities in current LEAP in Peja Municipality</li> <li>Write report for status of 9 Strategic Priorities in current LEAP;</li> <li>Conduct interviews, review documents and conduct research to determine current status of each Action Plan;</li> <li>Write report for status of 24 Action Plan in current LEAP;</li> <li>Organize two day workshop to present results of findings;</li> <li>Publish report card evaluation of the LEAP Strategic Priorities and Action Plan;</li> <li>Presentation of the LEAP report card to the Peja Municipal Assembly;</li> <li>Presentation to Municipal Assembly members in Gjakova Municipality about the Role and Function of Consultative Committee;</li> <li>Half day introduction workshop on legal role of Committee members;</li> <li>Organize two day capacity building workshop for Consultative Committee (5-9) members, Municipal Assembly Chairperson and MA Legal Advisor on the role, function and responsibility of the Consultative Committee ToR (Terms of Reference), National Legal and Regulatory Framework, International Environmental Standards and EU Directives, sharing experience of Peja Consultative Committee;</li> <li>Develop press packets &amp; public media announcements;</li> <li>Press conference with participation of media, local government officials, citizens and environmental NGOs;</li> <li>Create links to the report card on Municipal and LDIP website and through other social media;</li> </ol>
Results:	<ol> <li>A report containing the current status of each of the nine (9) Strategic Priorities in the current Local Environmental Action Plan (LEAP) of Peja Municipality.</li> <li>A report containing the current status of each of item in the current LEAP Action Plan. The Action Plan contains twenty-eight (28) specific actions in the areas of: Water, Air, Land, Biosphere, Mountain Landscapes and Specific Ecosystems, Socio-Economic Environment, and Tourism and includes a prioritization and "Actors" responsible for each action.</li> </ol>
	3. Two day workshop with Mayor, Municipal Assembly (Group Leaders), Consultative Committee members and





- Department Directors to share the results and accept feedback on the Strategic Priorities and reprioritize Action Plan if needed revisions. Resulting in a document, revised Action Plan of the Peja LEAP;
- 4. Established Municipal Environmental Consultative Committee in Gjakova municipality fostering the expertise of the municipality in the area of environmental protection as vitally important to the development of the public environmental policies and engagement of citizens' participation in decision making process;
- 5. Awareness among the public is raised on the municipal role and its responsibilities in the implementation of the legal and regulatory provisions in the field of environmental protection. And, a meaningful project cycle is completed: